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Brookdale trustees vice chairman resigns

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MIDDLETOWN — Facing uncertainty over whether he would be reappointed to the board of trustees at Brookdale Community College, Simon Bosco has resigned from the panel.

A majority of the Mon-

mouth County Board of Freeholders – Thomas Arnone, John Curley and Amy Mallet – have said they will not reappoint trustees who were present during the tenure of former President Peter Burnham, who stepped down earlier this year after questions arose over his compensation.

Brookdale received Bosco's resignation letter last Wednesday, said Avis McMillon, a spokeswoman for the college.

In the letter, Bosco wrote that he decided to step down immediately "following much soul searching and conversations with my wife and in partial response to post-

retirement opportunities that have surfaced."

Bosco of Tinton Falls, who works as superintendent of the Old Bridge Township School District, could not be reached for comment on Monday.

The other trustee whose four-year term is up is Lewis Anderson, who has said he will follow

whatever decision the freeholders make.

The freeholders are waiting for the Brookdale Trustee Search Committee to make recommendations on the two positions before making their decision, Curley said last week. Curley, the freeholders' liaison to Brookdale, could not be reached

for comment on Monday.

During its organization meeting on Monday, the board of trustees chose the Rev. Brian Butch to replace Bosco as its vice chair and Jacob Elkes to continue as its chair.

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