

REGULAR MEETING OF APRIL 17, 2013:

The Old Forge Board of Education held a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, April 17, 2013, in the LGI Room.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Vice President Ronald Stacchiotti, leading the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Stacchiotti also asked for a moment of silence for our troops here and abroad.

On the Roll Call:

Eugene Talerico – Present
Patrick Dattilo – Present
Gary Goodall – Present
James Hoover – Present
Christopher Jones – Present
Marygrace Mailen – Excused
Katherine Stocki - Present
Ronald Stacchiotti – Present
Deborah DeSando – Excused

Non-voting Board Members Brian Tomasetti and Devon Brown were present.

Also present were Mr. Jeffery, Mrs. VanLuvender, Mr. Gutowski, and Atty. Mariotti. Mr. Thomas arrived at 8:00pm and Mrs. Krieger, Mr. Spadoni, Mrs. Nee, and Mrs. Kurpis were excused.

Informational Items: 2013-2014 Budget priorities. Rick Notari gave information on upcoming events in Lackawanna County. Pat Salmon from Honeywell presented an energy audit

Discussion of proposed action on business before the Board: At this time, motions "S", "T". and "U" were added to the agenda.

Board Committee Reports: An Athletic Committee Meeting report was given by Mr. Stacchiotti..

Student Representative Reports: A Senior Class report was given by Brian Tomasetti.

Administrative Reports: Mrs. VanLuvender gave an elementary report, Mr. Gutowski gave a facilities report, and Mr. Stacchiotti gave a high school and special education report in Mr. Thomas' and Mrs. Nee's absence.

Correspondence: Mr. Jeffery read a letter written to Diane Smith from Skills in Scranton.

Public Participation on Action on Business Before the Board: None.

ACTION ON BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD:

A motion was made by Mr. Hoover, seconded by Mr. Datillo to approve the agenda of action on business before the Board. Mrs. Stocki raised concerns over Motion "U". On a roll call vote, all members present voted "yes", with Mrs. Stocki voting "no".

A motion was made by Mr. Goodall, seconded by Mr. Jones to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 20, 2013. On a roll call vote, all members present voted "yes", with Mrs. Stocki and Mr. Talerico voting "no".

A motion was then made by Mrs. Stocki, seconded by Mr. Talerico to include the statement made by Mrs. Mailen regarding the PSBA Leadership Symposium in the March 20, 2013 minutes. On a roll call vote, all members present voted to "not amend", with Mrs. Stocki and Mr. Talerico voting "to amend".

A motion was made by Mr. Dattilo seconded by Mr. Goodall to approve the list of bills. On a voice vote, all members present voted "yes".

A motion was made by Mr. Goodall, seconded by Mr. Jones to approve the Treasurer's Report. On a voice vote, all members present voted "yes".

A motion was made by Mr. Hoover, seconded by Mr. Jones to approve the Athletic Report. On a voice vote, all members present voted "yes".

A motion was made by Mr. Dattilo, seconded by Mr. Jones to approve Jessica Casey to the Clerical/Aide substitute list. On a roll call vote, all members present voted "yes".

A motion was made by Mr. Goodall, seconded by Mr. Talerico to approve Megan McCabe to the nursing substitute list pending appropriate clearances. On a voice vote, all members present voted "yes".

A motion was made by Mrs. Stocki, seconded by Mr. Goodall to approve the following Resolution approving the 2013-2014 School Calendar: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Old Forge School District, in compliance with 24 P.S. section 15-1502 and the Pennsylvania Department of Education, designates the following

official local school district holidays: Novemeber 11, 2013, April 16, 17, 18, 21, 2014. On a voice vote, all members present voted "yes".

A motion was made by Mr. Hoover, seconded by Mr. Goodall to approve the tax collector's report for December 2012. On a roll call vote, all members present voted "yes".

A motion was made by Mr. Talerico, seconded by Mr. Jones to approve the proposal by Solomon Container Service, Wilkes-Barre, Pa. for waste removal for the school years 2013-2014, 2014-2015, and 2015-2016. On a roll call vote, all members present voted "yes".

A motion was made by Mrs. Stocki, seconded by Mr. Jones to approve the contract with Sandra Lamanna for school psychologist services at a rate of \$425.00 per day on an as needed basis during the leave of the school psychologist. On a roll call vote, all members present voted "yes", with Mr. Talerico voting "no".

A motion was made by Mr. Goodall, seconded by Mr. Jones to accept the resignation of Michael Cusumano as Assistant Varsity Football Coach, and post said position. On a voice vote, all members present voted "yes".

A motion was made by Mr. Hoover, seconded by Mr. Dattilo approve the purchase of Transfinder transportation software in the amount of \$4,995.00. On a roll call vote, all members present voted "yes".

A motion was made by Mr. Goodall, seconded by Mr. Jones to accept/deny Grievance 13-01 Longterm Substitute from OFEA. On a roll call vote, all members present voted to "deny".

A motion was made by Mrs. Stocki, seconded by Mr. Talerico to approve the NEIU#19 Contract for Special Education Services for the 2013-2014 school year. On a roll call vote, all members present voted "yes".

A motion was made by Mr. Hoover, seconded by Mr. Jones to issue a letter of non-renewal of contract to Anthony Spadoni, Business Manager, and post said position. On a roll call vote, all members present voted "yes" with Mr. Talerico, Mrs. Stocki, and Mr. Stacchiotti voting "no".

A motion was made by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Dattilo to approve the job description of the Business Manager. On a roll call vote, all members present voted "yes".

A motion was made by Mr. Hoover, seconded by Mr. Goodall to approve the second reading of the following policies.

- Bullying 349
- Bullying 449
- Bullying 549

On a voice vote, all members present voted "yes".

A motion was made by Mrs. Stocki, seconded by Mr. Goodall to approve an unpaid leave request by Karen Shaffer. On a roll call vote, all members present voted "yes".

A motion was made by Mrs. Stocki, seconded by Mr. Hoover to increase the salary of the Hall Monitors by \$0.25 per hour, retroactive to the beginning of the 2012-2013 school year. On a roll call vote, all members present voted "yes".

A motion was made by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Dattilo to employ Robert Schiavo and Anthony DeSando as permanent Armed Security Staff at their current rate of \$13.92 per hour. On a roll call vote, all members present voted "yes", with Mr. Talerico voting to "abstain" and Mrs. Stocki recused herself from the vote. Mrs. Stocki stated there has been no discussion of the job description, the rate of pay, whether the status be full, part time, or permanent, there has been no advertising for the positions and that there has been no recommendation from the personnel committee or public input opportunity as her reasons she recused herself from the vote.

Public Participation on items on the Agenda: Rick Notari asked if hall monitors were unionized, the board responded no. Rick Notari also asked if the waste removal was put to bid, the board responded yes, there were 3 bids.

A motion was made by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Goodall to adjourn the Old Forge Board of Education Regular Meeting of Wednesday, April 17, 2013. On a voice vote, all members present voted "yes".

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