

REGULAR MEETING OF APRIL 19, 2014:

The Old Forge Board of Education held a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, April 19, 2014, in the LGI room.

The meeting was called to order at 7:14 p.m. by Board President Deborah DeSando, leading the Pledge of Allegiance. Mrs. DeSando also asked for a moment of silence for our troops here and abroad.

On the Roll Call:

Christopher Jones – Absent
Robert Notari – Present
Jason O’Hearn – Present
Kelly Dougher-Tansley – Absent
Patrick Dattilo – Absent
Gary Goodall – Present
James Hoover – Present
Ronald Stacchiotti – Present
Deborah DeSando - Present

Non-voting Board Members Devon Brown and Robert Rinaldi were absent. Also present were Mr. Rushefski, Mr. Barrett, Mrs. Nee, Mr. Rinaldi, Mr. Marsh, Mr. Gutowski, and Atty. Mariotti. Mr. Thomas was absent.

Informational Items: Resolutions were presented to the Girls Varsity Basketball Players and Coaches. Mrs. DeSando announced there had been an executive session held March 30, 2014 and immediately prior to the meeting to discuss personnel.

Discussion of proposed action on business before the Board: Motion “Y” was tabled. Motions “AA” and “BB” were added.

Board Committee Reports: Mrs. DeSando gave an Education Technology report, Student Activity report and an Athletic Committee report. Mr. Hoover gave a Policy Committee report.

Student Representative Reports: None.

Administrative Reports: Mr. Barrett gave an elementary and high school report, Mr. Gutowski gave a buildings and grounds report, Mrs. Nee gave a special education report.

Correspondence:

Public Participation on Action on Business Before the Board: Rick Notari questioned the location of the new Verizon tower.

ACTION ON BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD:

A motion was made by Mr. Goodall, seconded by Mr. Stacchiotti to approve the agenda of action on business before the Board. On a voice vote, all members present voted "yes".

A motion was made by Dr. Notari, seconded by Mr. Hoover to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 19, 2014. On a voice vote, all members present voted "yes".

A motion was made by Mr. O'Hearn, seconded by Dr. Notari 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. Stacchiotti 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. Goodall to approve the Athletic Report. On a voice vote, all members present voted "yes".

A motion was made by Mr. O'Hearn, seconded by Dr. Notari to approve Kristina Rasieleski to the substitute clerical/aide list pending required paperwork. On a voice vote, all members present voted "yes".

A motion was made by Mr. Goodall, seconded by Mr. O'Hearn to approve the Settlement Agreement between the Old Forge School District and the Old Forge Education Association. On a voice vote, all members present voted "yes", with Dr. Notari voting "no".

A motion was made by Dr. Notari, seconded by Mr. O'Hearn to approve the request of Deanna Semyon to attend the PSSA Mathematics Range Finding Conference in Hershey, Pa. from May 5, 2014 to May 8, 2014. On a roll call vote, all members present voted "yes".

A motion was made by Mr. Goodall, seconded by Mr. Stacchiotti to approve NEIU #19 Contract for Special Education Services for the 2014-2015 school year. On a roll call vote, all members present voted "yes".

A motion was made by Mr. O'Hearn, seconded by Dr. Notari to appoint Arianne DelSordo Special Education Teacher for the District's Extended School Year (ESY) at a rate of \$30.00 per hour. On a voice vote, all members present voted "yes".

A motion was made by Mr. Hoover, seconded by Dr. Notari to appoint Christine Iacavazzi Instructional Aide for the District's Extended School Year (ESY) at a rate of \$7.25 per hour. On a roll call vote, all members present voted "yes".

A motion was made by Mr. O'Hearn, seconded by Dr. Notari to appoint Marissa Stacchiotti Instructional Aide for the District's Extended School Year (ESY) at a rate of \$7.25 per hour. On a roll call vote, all members present voted "yes".

A motion was made by Mr. Goodall, seconded by Mr. O'Hearn to appoint Roxanne Riviello Speech/Language Pathologist for the Extended School Year (ESY) at a rate of \$30.00. On a roll call vote, all members present voted "yes".

A motion was made by Mr. Hoover, seconded by Mr. Stacchiotti to approve Russell Fulton to the substitute school nurse list pending required paperwork. On a voice vote, all members present voted "yes".

A motion was made by Dr. Notari, seconded by Mr. O'Hearn to approve the request of Pat McLane to establish Studio 260 (Art Club). On a voice vote, all members present voted "yes".

A motion was made by Mr. Goodall, seconded by Mr. Stacchiotti to approve the request of Paige Balitski to establish a Drama Club. On a voice vote, all members present voted "yes".

A motion was made by Mr. Stacchiotti, seconded by Mr. Hoover to accept the resignation of Gene Biscontini Assistant Varsity Football Coach and post for the position. On a voice vote, all members present voted "yes".

A motion was made by Mr. Goodall, seconded by Mr. Stacchiotti to accept the Grievance Resolution between the Old Forge School District and the Old Forge Education Association for grievance #12-05 Comprehensive Planning. On a voice vote, all members present voted "yes", with Dr. Notari voting "no".

A motion was made by Mr. Stacchiotti, seconded by Mr. Hoover to approve the Shelter Agreement between the Old Forge School District and the American Red Cross. On a voice vote, all members present voted "yes".

A motion was made by Mr. O'Hearn, seconded by Dr. Notari to approve the Food Service Contract with the Nutrition Group for the 2014-2014 school year. Dr. Notari then made a motion to amend, seconded by Mr. O'Hearn to include "with a 4 year renewal". On a roll call vote, all members present voted "yes".

A motion was made by Mr. Goodall, seconded by Mr. Stacchiotti to approve the request for homebound instruction for Student #491576. On a voice vote, all members present voted "yes".

A motion was made by Dr. Notari, seconded by Mr. O'Hearn to approve Sara Balducci Long Term Substitute for Jill Glenn from March 19, 2014 to June 27, 2014. On a roll call vote, all members present voted "yes".

A motion was made by Mr. Hoover, seconded by Mr. Goodall to approve the request of Christopher Gatto and Frank Berardelli to attend the PJAS State Competition in State College, Pa. from May 18, 2014 to May 20, 2014. On a roll call vote, all members present voted "yes".

A motion was made by Mr. Goodall, seconded by Mr. Stacchiotti to approve administrative request for 3 staff members to attend the Data Quality Network Conference sponsored by PDE from May 18, 2014 to May 21, 2014 with a cost not to exceed \$1,000.00. On a voice vote, all members present voted "yes".

A motion was made by Mr. Goodall, seconded by Mr. Stacchiotti to approve the Land Lease Agreement between the Old Forge School District and Verizon Wireless contingent upon Atty. Mariotti's review. On a roll call vote, all members present voted "yes".

A motion was made by Mr. Hoover, seconded by Mr. Goodall to approve the request of Jerry Marsh, Director of Technology to attend the Pa. Junior Academy of Science State Meeting in State College from May 18, 2014 to May 20, 2014. On a roll call vote, all members present voted "yes".

Public Participation on items not on the Agenda: Rick Notari gave information on upcoming events in Lackawanna County.

A motion was made by Mr. Goodall, seconded by Dr. Notari to adjourn the Old Forge Board of Education Regular Meeting of Wednesday April 19, 2014. On a voice vote, all members present voted "yes".

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