

REGULAR MEETING OF DECEMBER 16, 2015:

The Old Forge Board of Education held a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, December 16, 2015, in the Auditorium.

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm 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:

Valarie Marcinko – Present

Kelly Dougher-Tansley – Present

Robert Notari – Present

Jason O’Hearn – Present

Marie Ciufferri – Present

Julie Grimes – Present

Megan McCabe – Present

James Hoover - Present

Deborah DeSando - Present

Non voting Board Members Mattia Krappa and Jennie Thomas were absent. Also present were Mr. Rushefski, Mr. Barrett, Mr. Marsh, Mr. Gutowski, Ms. Hopkins, Mr. Rinaldi, Mr. Thomas and Atty. Mariotti.

Informational Items: Mrs. DeSando announced there had been an executive session held immediately prior to the meeting to discuss negotiations, litigation and personnel.

Discussion of Proposed Action on Business Before the Board: Motion S was tabled.

Board Committee Reports: None.

Student Representative Reports: None

Administrative Reports: Mr. Barrett gave an elementary report. Ms. Hopkins gave a special education report. Mr. Thomas gave a high school report. Mr. Marsh gave a Technology report. Mr. Gutowski gave a maintenance report.

Correspondence: None

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

ACTION ON BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD:

A motion was made by Ms. Tansley, seconded by Mr. O’Hearn 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 Mrs. Ciufferri, seconded by Mrs. McCabe to approve the Consent Agenda for motions “C” through “I” as follows:

C. To approve the Minutes of the Regular meeting of November 18, 2015 and the Reorganization Meeting of December 8, 2015.

D. To approve the Treasurer’s Report.

E. To approve the Athletic Report.

F. To approve Homebound Instruction for Student #7804107.

G. To accept the resignation of Ann Giglio as Secondary Special Education Teacher.

H. To approve Kasey Shatrowskas (Elem. PK-4) to the substitute teacher list, and Samantha Krenitsy to the substitute clerical/aide list and John Kundla and Linda Zagorski to the substitute night custodian list, pending required paperwork.

I. To accept the letters of intent to retire from Ceil Cadwalder and Harry Hughes night shift custodians.

A motion was made by Mr. Hoover, seconded by Mr. O'Hearn to approve the List of Bills. On a voice vote, all members present voted "yes".

A motion was made by Ms. Tansley, seconded by Mrs. Ciufferi to approve the transfer of Anne Guida to Secondary Math/Art Teacher. On a roll call vote, all members present voted "yes".

A motion was made by Ms. Tansley, seconded by Mr. O'Hearn to appoint John Kundla Night Shift Custodian at a salary of \$9.00 per hour pending required paperwork. On a roll call vote, all members present voted "yes".

A motion was made by Mrs. Ciufferi, seconded by Ms. Grimes to appoint Linda Zagorski Night Shift Custodian at a salary of \$9.00 per hour pending required paperwork. On a roll call vote, all members present voted "yes".

A motion was made by Ms. Tansley, seconded by Mrs. McCabe to approve the Settlement Agreement between the Old Forge Education Association and the Old Forge School District. On a roll call vote, all members present voted "yes".

A motion was made by Mrs. Ciufferi, seconded by Mr. Hoover approve the request of Laura O'Hearn, Ski Club Advisor to charter a Ski Club Trip to Killington Vermont from March 11, 2016 to March 13, 2016. On a roll call vote, all members present voted to "yes", with Mr. O'Hearn abstaining.

A motion was made by Ms. Grimes, seconded by Mr. O'Hearn to approve the Affiliation Agreement between the University of Scranton and the Old Forge School District effective November 5, 2015. On a roll call vote, all members present to "yes".

A motion was made by Mrs. Ciufferi, seconded by Mr. O'Hearn to appoint Danielle Castaldi Personal Care Assistant for an Elementary student at an annual salary of \$9,471.42 prorated. On a roll call vote, all members present voted "yes".

A motion was made by Ms. Tansley, seconded by Mr. Hoover to appoint Julie Strain Long Term Substitute for Secondary Special Education effective December 2, 2015 until January 4, 2016 at the contractual rate. On a roll call vote, all members present voted "yes".

A motion was made by Ms. Grimes, seconded by Mrs. McCabe to approve the survey for high school students given by the high school gifted students for a research project. On a voice vote, all members present voted "yes".

A motion was made by Ms. Tansley, seconded by Mrs. Ciufferi to appoint Julie Strain Elementary Special Education Teacher at a salary of \$43,380.00 prorated, effective January 4, 2016. On a roll call vote, all members present voted "yes".

A motion was made by Mrs. Ciufferi, seconded by Mrs. Marcinko to approve the lease agreement with Topp Copy for the lease of new photocopiers. On a roll call vote, all members present voted "yes".

A motion was made by Mr. Hoover, seconded by Ms. Tansley to approve the Addendum to the Act 93 Agreement. On a roll call vote, all members present voted “yes”.

A motion was made by Mrs. McCabe, seconded by Mrs. Marcinko to approve the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Old Forge Education Association effective September 1, 2010 to August 31, 2019. On a roll call vote, all members present voted “yes”.

Public Participation on Items Not on the Agenda:

A motion was made by Mr. Mr. O’Hearn,, seconded by Mrs. Ciufferi to adjourn the Old Forge Board of Education Regular Meeting of Wednesday, December 16, 2015.

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