

## **REGULAR MEETING OF JULY 8, 2015:**

The Old Forge Board of Education held a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, July 8, 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:

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

Non voting Board Members Mattia Krappa and Jennie Thomas were present. Also present were Mr. Rushefski, Mr. Rinaldi, Mr. Barrett, Mrs. Nee, Mr. Marsh, Mr. Gutowski, and Atty. Mariotti. Mr. Thomas arrived later in the meeting.

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

**Discussion of Proposed Action on Business Before the Board:** None.

**Student Representative Reports:** None.

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

**Correspondence:** None.

**Public Participation on Action on Business Before the Board:** Aimee Thomas, Mattia Krappa, Jennie Thomas and Madison Schuback questioned the combining of the cheerleading squad with the marching units.

## **ACTION ON BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD:**

A motion was made by Mr. Goodall, seconded by Mr. Hoover 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 Ms. Tansley, seconded by Mr. Jones to approve the Consent Agenda for motions "C" through "G" as follows:

C. To approve the Minutes of the Regular meeting of June 17, 2015.

D. To appoint Kenneth Killino, DMD examining dentist for the 2015-2016 school year.

E. To appoint Armando Sallavanti, D.O. and Darlene Dunay, D.O. examining physicians for the 2015-2016 school year.

On a roll call vote, all members present voted "yes".

A motion was made by Ms. Tansley, seconded by Mr. Jones to appoint Gary Goodal Treasurer of the Old Forge School Board. On a roll call vote, all members present voted "yes", with Mr. Goodall abstaining.

A motion was made by Mr. Goodall, seconded by Ms. Tansley to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the Old Forge School District and NEIU 19 for Title III Services for the 2015-2016 school year. On a roll call vote, all members present voted "yes".

A motion was made by Ms. Tansley, seconded by Mr. Jones to approve the Dual Enrollment Agreement between the Old Forge School District and Lackawanna College for the 2015-2016 school year. On a voice vote, all members present voted "yes".

A motion was made by Mr. Hoover, seconded by Ms. Tansley to approve the agreement between the Old Forge School District and The Meadows Psychiatric Center for educational services for the 2015-2016 school year. On a roll call vote, all members present voted "yes".

A motion was made by Ms. Tansley, seconded by Mr. Goodall to approve the agreement between the Old Forge School District and Children's Service Center for educational services for the 2015-2016 school year. On a roll call vote, all members present voted "yes".

A motion was made by Mr. Goodall, seconded by Ms. Tansley to approve the request of Jill Glenn for maternity leave of absence from August 31, 2015 to April 1, 2016. On a voice vote, all members present voted "yes".

A motion was made by Mr. Goodall, seconded by Ms. Tansley to approve the service agreement with VLN Partners for Cyber School Services. On a roll call vote, all members present voted "yes".

A motion was made by Ms. Tansley, seconded by Mr. Goodall to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the Old Forge School District and the Old Forge Education Association. On a voice vote, all members present voted "yes".

A motion was made by Mr. Goodall, seconded by Mr. Hoover to accept the resignation of Daniel Mozeleski from Boys Assistant Varsity Basketball Coach and Boys Head JV Baseball Coach. On a voice vote, all members present voted "yes".

A motion was made by Mr. Goodall, seconded by Mr. Jones to appoint Daniel Mozeleski Athletic Director at an annual stipend of \$3,636.40. On a roll call vote, all members present voted "yes".

A motion was made by Mr. Hoover, seconded by Ms. Tansley to approve the postings for Boys Assistant Varsity Basketball Coach and Boys Head JV Baseball Coach. On a voice vote, all members present voted “yes”.

A motion was made by Mr. Goodall, seconded by Ms. Tansley to accept the First Reading of Old Forge School District Policy 249: Bullying, waive the Second Reading of the policy and adopt the changes. On a roll call vote, all members present voted “yes”.

A motion was made by Mr. Goodall, seconded by Ms. Tansley to eliminate the positions of Head Cheer Advisor and Marching Unit Director. On a voice vote, all members present voted “yes”, with Mr. O’Hearn voting “no”.

A motion was made by Mr. Goodall, seconded by Mr. Hoover to approve the job description of Head Spirit Squad Advisor and ratify the posting. On a voice vote, all members voted “yes”, with Mr. O’Hearn voting “no”.

A motion was made by Mr. Goodall, seconded by Ms. Tansley to accept the Settlement Agreement between the Old Forge School District and Student #491511. On a roll call vote, all members present voted “yes”.

A motion was made by Ms. Tansley, seconded by Mr. Hoover to approve the agreement between the Old Forge School District and Friendship House for social work services for the 2015-2016 school year. On a roll call vote, all members present voted “yes”.

A motion was made by Mr. O’Hearn, seconded by Mr. Jones to accept/deny Old Forge Education Association Grievance 15-13 Non-Payment of Bargaining Unit Lunch Coverage. On a roll call vote, all members present voted to “deny”, with Mr. O’Hearn voting to “accept”.

A motion was made by Mr. Goodall, seconded by Mr. O’Hearn to accept/deny Old Forge Education Association Grievance 15-15 Bargaining Unit Member Discipline. On a roll call vote, all members present voted to “deny”, with Mr. O’Hearn voting to “accept”.

A motion was made by Mr. Goodall, seconded by Ms. Tansley to accept the insurance proposal from Joyce Insurance Group for the Old Forge School District. On a roll call vote, all members present voted “yes”.

**Public Participation on Items Not on the Agenda:** Julie Blawoski asked questions about the student to teacher ratio of elementary students.

A motion was made by Mr. Goodall, seconded by Ms. Tansley to adjourn the Old Forge Board of Education Regular Meeting of Wednesday, July 8, 2015. On a voice vote, all members present voted “yes”.

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