

REGULAR MEETING OF MAY 18, 2016:

The Old Forge Board of Education held a Regular Meeting on Wednesday May 18, 2016, 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:

Robert Notari-Present
Jason O’Hearn – Present
Marie Ciufferi – Present
Julie Grimes – Present
Megan McCabe – Present
Valarie Marcinko – Present
Kelly Dougher-Tansley – 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. Rinaldi, Ms. Hopkins, Mr. Gutowski and Atty. Mariotti. Mr. Thomas and Mr. Marsh were absent.

Informational Items: Mrs. DeSando announced there had been an Informational Meeting on May 10, 2016 and 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 O, P, and Q were 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. Rushefski gave a high school report in Mr. Thomas’ absence. Mr. Gutowski gave a Maintenance Report.

Correspondence: None.

Public Participation on Action on Business Before the Board:

ACTION ON BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD:

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

- C. To approve the Minutes of the Regular meeting of April 20, 2016.
- D. To approve the Treasurer’s Report.
- E. To approve the Athletic Report.
- F. To approve the tentative list of Graduates for the Class of 2016.

G. To approve Joseph Terry (Physics) and Tamara Williams (Math 7-12 & Physics 7-12) to the substitute teacher list pending required paperwork.

A motion was made by Ms. Tansley, seconded by Mrs. McCabe to approve homebound instruction for student #492198. On a voice vote, all members present voted “yes”.

A motion was made by Mrs. McCabe, seconded by Ms. Grimes to accept/deny Old Forge Education Association Grievance #16-10 Personal Day Credit. On a roll call vote, all members present voted to “accept”.

A motion was made by Mrs. McCabe, seconded by Ms. Tansley to approve the List of Bills. On a voice vote, all members present voted to “yes”, with Dr. Notari voting “no”.

A motion was made by Mr. Hoover, seconded by Ms. Grimes to approve the contract between the Old Forge School District and Transfinder Corporation for technical support and upgrade from July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017 in the amount of \$2,750.00. On a roll call vote, all members present voted “yes”.

A motion was made by Ms. Grimes, seconded by Mrs. Marcinko to adopt the following Policies: Policy 806.2 Naloxone, Policy 237 Electronic Devices, Policy 113.1 Discipline of Students with Disabilities and Policy 222 Tobacco. On a voice vote, all members present voted “yes”.

A motion was made by Mrs. McCabe, seconded by Mr. O’Hearn to approve the contract between the Old Forge School District and CSIU for computer service rates for the 2016-2017 school year in the amount of \$10,010.00. On a roll call vote, all members present voted “yes”.

A motion was made by Mrs. Ciufferri, seconded by Mr. O’Hearn to approve the contract between the Old Forge School District and Government Software Service, Inc. for school billing. On a roll call vote, all members present voted “yes”.

A motion was made by Mr. O’Hearn, seconded by Mr. Hoover to accept the Settlement Agreement between the Old Forge School District and Rhonda Sugarman. On a roll call vote, all members present voted “yes”, with Ms. Grimes and Ms. Tansley voting “no”.

A motion was made by Mrs. Ciufferri, seconded by Mr. Hoover to approve the contract with the Nutrition Group for the 2016-2017 school year. On a voice vote, all members present voted “yes”.

A motion was made by Mrs. Ciufferri, seconded by Mr. O’Hearn to appoint Tanya Kuckla Assistant Spirit Squad Advisor at an annual stipend of \$2,110.21. On a roll call vote, all members present voted “yes”, with Ms. Tansley voting to “abstain”.

A motion was made by Ms. Grimes seconded by Ms. Tansley to approve the transfer request of Jared Yanniello from Elementary Emotional Support Teacher to Elementary Teacher. On a voice vote, all members present voted “yes”.

A motion was made by Ms. Grimes, seconded by Ms. Tansley to approve the First Reading of the following policies: 916 Volunteers and 819 & 819A Suicide Awareness, Prevention and Response. On a voice vote, all members present voted “yes”.

A motion was made by Mrs. Ciufferri, seconded by Mrs. Marcinko to adopt the Resolution authorizing the bond issue. On a roll call vote, all members present voted “yes”.

A motion was made by Ms. Tansley, seconded by Mrs. Marcinko to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the Old Forge School District and NEIU 19 for Title III services. On a voice vote, all members present voted “yes”.

A motion was made by Ms. Tansley, seconded by Mrs. McCabe to approve the contract with the Old Forge School District and NEIU 19 for the ESL program for the 2016-2017 school year. On a roll call vote, all members present voted “yes”.

A motion was made by Ms. Tansley, seconded by Ms. Grimes to approve the request of Michelle Hopkins, Special Education Supervisor, to attend the Special Education Leadership Conference in Bedford Springs, Pa. from July 25-July 28, 2016 in an amount not to exceed \$1,000.00. On a roll call vote, all members present voted “yes”.

Public Participation on Items Not on the Agenda: None.

A motion was made by Ms. Grimes, seconded by Ms. Tansley to adjourn the Old Forge Board of Education Regular Meeting of Wednesday, May 18, 2016.

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