

THE REGULAR MEETING of August 26, 2020:

The Old Forge School District Board of Education held the regular meeting on Wednesday, August 26, 2020 by virtual communication that was recorded and open to the public in the Large Group Instruction Room.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Board Vice-President Alisha Hudak.

On the roll call:

Patrick Aulisio	Present	Dr. Robert Notari	Present
Roseann Brutico	Present	Christopher Thomas	Present
Marie Ciufferri	Present	Alisha Hudak	Present
Brian Guida	Present		
Vanessa Nee	Present		

Administrators present: Dr. Keating, Mrs. Egan, and Mrs. Hopkins Messrs. Rinaldi, and Gatto. Mr. Gutowski was absent and accounted for.

Solicitor Noah Katz, Esq. was also present.

Student School Board Non-Voting Members: Carolyn Aversa was absent.

Mrs. Hudak welcomed everyone to the meeting and reminded everyone that they were being recorded and archived.

Mrs. Hudak announced Executive Sessions were held on Wednesday, August 12th, 2020 regarding Litigation, Negotiations, and Personnel, Monday, August 24th, 2020 regarding Personnel, Litigation, and Negotiations, and Wednesday, August 26th, 2020 regarding Personnel, Litigation, and Negotiations.

The Superintendent reported the following: Facebook is down and not operative; Scranton Times reported about the Chromebooks and we are affected by the hold on those from the Federal Commerce Commission; Sports Announcements are that the 250 limit on attendance at outside events is required by the Department of Health, however the PIAA is operating sports in that there are no spectators at events; Thank you to CEO & Weinberg Food Bank for the distribution of food to families in the OFSD and many thanks to all of the staff and volunteers who worked every Tuesday to help in that cause.

Motion V will have the name of ASHLEI KISHEL added to the agenda.

Administrative reports will be attached and were presented at the informational meeting.

Student representative reports will be attached.

Public Participation:

Ellen Magnotta: Board member resignation; interscholastic sports

Megan McCabe: Board member resignation; posting of positions

Dave Burns: Posting of positions

Evan Harris: Posting of positions; Contact sports being allowed

Mckaylei Cantelmo: Start of school year

Paul Seaman: Extracurricular participation by virtual students

A motion was made by Mr. Aulisio, seconded by Mr. Guida to approve the agenda of action on business before the Board.

On a voice vote, all were in favor; none were opposed. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Aulisio, seconded by Mrs. Ciufferi to accept the resignation of Jenna Shotwell from the Old Forge School Board, effective August 12, 2020, as per Appendix "A."

On a voice vote, all were in favor; none were opposed. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Aulisio, seconded by Mr. Guida to accept the resignation of Christopher Thomas as Board Secretary.

On a voice vote, all were in favor; none were opposed. Motion carried.

Mrs. Hudak then appointed Mr. Thomas as the President pro Tempore to conduct the nomination of officers.

Mr. Thomas asked for nominations for the office of President of the Board to serve until the next reorganization of the Old Forge School Board.

Dr. Notari nominated Alisha Hudak. Mr. Aulisio seconded the nomination.

Mrs. Ciufferi moved that nominations be closed, seconded by Mr. Guida.

On a voice vote, all members present voted "YES" to close nominations.

On the roll call vote for Mrs. Alisha Hudak as President of the Board:

Marie Ciufferi	YES	Patrick Aulisio	YES
Brian Guida	YES	Roseanne Brutico	YES
Vanessa Nee	YES	Alisha Hudak	YES
Dr. Robert Notari	YES		
Christopher Thomas	YES		

Mrs. Hudak assumed the role and duties of President, and immediately called for nominations for Vice-President of the Board.

Mr. Thomas nominated Dr. Robert Notari as Vice-President of the Board. It was seconded by Mrs. Ciufferri.

Mr. Aulisio moved that nominations be closed, seconded by Mr. Guida.

On a voice vote, all members present voted "YES" to close nominations.

On the roll call vote for Dr. Robert Notari as Vice-President of the Board:

Marie Ciufferri	YES	Patrick Aulisio	YES
Brian Guida	YES	Roseanne Brutico	YES
Vanessa Nee	YES	Alisha Hudak	YES
Dr. Robert Notari	YES		
Christopher Thomas	YES		

Mrs. Hudak then called for nominations for Assistant Secretary of the Board.

Dr. Notari nominated Mr. Christopher Thomas as Assistant Secretary of the Board, seconded by Ms. Brutico

Mr. Thomas moved that nominations be closed, seconded by Mr. Aulisio.

On a voice vote, all members present voted "YES" to close nominations.

On the roll call vote for Mr. Christopher Thomas as Assistant Secretary of the Board:

Marie Ciufferri	YES	Patrick Aulisio	YES
Brian Guida	YES	Roseanne Brutico	YES
Vanessa Nee	YES	Alisha Hudak	YES
Dr. Robert Notari	YES		
Christopher Thomas	YES		

A motion was made by Mr. Thomas, seconded by Mr. Aulisio to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on Wednesday, July 22, 2020, as per Appendix "B."

On a voice vote, all were in favor; none were opposed. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mrs. Ciufferri, seconded by Mr. Guida to approve the Treasurer's Report, as per Appendix "C."

On a voice vote, all were in favor; none were opposed. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Aulisio, seconded by Mr. Guida to approve the List of Bills, as per Appendix "D."

On a roll call vote:

Marie Ciufferri	YES	Patrick Aulisio	YES
Brian Guida	YES	Roseanne Brutico	YES
Vanessa Nee	YES	Alisha Hudak	YES
Dr. Robert Notari	YES		
Christopher Thomas	YES		

Motion carried 8-0.

A motion was made by Mrs. Ciufferri, seconded by Mr. Thomas to approve the Athletic Report, as per Appendix "E."

On a voice vote, all were in favor; none were opposed. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Ms. Brutico, seconded by Mr. Thomas to approve the contracts with New Story for 2020-2021 school year, as per Appendix "F."

On a voice vote, all were in favor; none were opposed. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Aulisio, seconded by Mr. Guida to approve the SAP Agreement with NEIU 19, as per Appendix "G."

On a voice vote, all were in favor; none were opposed. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Aulisio, seconded by Mr. Guida to approve handbooks for 2020-2021 school year:

- High School Parent/Student Handbook, as per Appendix "H."
- Elementary Parent/Student handbook, as per Appendix "I."
- 1:1 Parent/Student Handbook, as per Appendix "J."

On a voice vote, all were in favor; none were opposed. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Aulisio, seconded by Mr. Thomas to approve list of bus/van drivers for 2020-2021, as per Appendix "K."

On a voice vote, all were in favor; none were opposed. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mrs. Ciufferri, seconded by Dr. Notari to approve agreement for auditing services with Brian Kelly, CPA and Associates, LLC, as per Appendix "L."

On a voice vote, all were in favor; none were opposed. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Guida, seconded by Mr. Aulisio to approve contract with Children's Service Center for Partial Hospitalization Services for 2020-2021 school year, as per Appendix "M."

On a voice vote, all were in favor; none were opposed. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Aulisio, seconded by Mr. Guida to appoint Kailie Karnesky, long-term substitute teacher in English from August 24, 2020 to January 26, 2021, salary and benefits as per the CBA.

On a roll call vote:

Marie Ciufferri	YES	Patrick Aulisio	YES
Brian Guida	YES	Roseanne Brutico	YES
Vanessa Nee	YES	Alisha Hudak	YES
Dr. Robert Notari	YES		
Christopher Thomas	YES		

Motion carried 8-0.

A motion was made by Mrs. Ciufferri, seconded by Mr. Aulisio to appoint Ashlei Kishel as an elementary teacher, Bachelors, Step 1, salary and benefits as per the CBA.

On a roll call vote:

Marie Ciufferri	YES	Patrick Aulisio	YES
Brian Guida	YES	Roseanne Brutico	YES
Vanessa Nee	YES	Alisha Hudak	YES
Dr. Robert Notari	YES		
Christopher Thomas	YES		

Motion carried 8-0.

A motion was made by Mr. Thomas, seconded by Dr. Notari to appoint Jenna Shotwell Board Secretary and Confidential Assistant to the Superintendent, effective August 23, 2020, at a base salary of \$26,500.

On a roll call vote:

Marie Ciufferri	YES	Patrick Aulisio	YES
Brian Guida	YES	Roseanne Brutico	YES
Vanessa Nee	YES	Alisha Hudak	YES
Dr. Robert Notari	YES		
Christopher Thomas	YES		

Motion carried 8-0.

A motion was made by Mr. Aulisio, seconded by Mr. Guida to appoint Joseph Dominick as the Freshman Football Coach, effective August 1, 2020, salary via the CBA.

On a roll call vote:

Marie Ciufferri	ABSTAIN	Patrick Aulisio	YES
Brian Guida	YES	Roseanne Brutico	YES
Vanessa Nee	YES	Alisha Hudak	YES
Dr. Robert Notari	YES		
Christopher Thomas	YES		

Motion carried 8-0.

A motion was made by Mr. Aulisio, seconded by Mr. Guida to appoint Michael Hopkins as the Freshman Football Coach, effective August 1, 2020, salary via the CBA.

On a roll call vote:

Marie Ciufferri	YES	Patrick Aulisio	YES
Brian Guida	YES	Roseanne Brutico	YES
Vanessa Nee	YES	Alisha Hudak	YES
Dr. Robert Notari	YES		
Christopher Thomas	YES		

Motion carried 8-0.

A motion was made by Mrs. Ciufferi seconded by Mr. Aulisio to appoint Jo-Ann Fisher as the elementary morning duty positions, salary stipend via the CBA.

On a roll call vote:

Marie Ciufferi	YES	Patrick Aulisio	YES
Brian Guida	YES	Roseanne Brutico	YES
Vanessa Nee	YES	Alisha Hudak	YES
Dr. Robert Notari	YES		
Christopher Thomas	YES		

Motion carried 8-0.

A motion was made by Ms. Brutico, seconded by Mr. Thomas to appoint Renee Barbetti as the elementary morning duty positions, salary stipend via the CBA.

On a roll call vote:

Marie Ciufferi	YES	Patrick Aulisio	YES
Brian Guida	YES	Roseanne Brutico	YES
Vanessa Nee	YES	Alisha Hudak	YES
Dr. Robert Notari	YES		
Christopher Thomas	YES		

Motion carried 8-0.

A motion was made by Mr. Aulisio, seconded by Dr. Notari to accept the resignation, with regret, of Louise Baulduff, effective August 21, 2020, as per Appendix "N."

On a voice vote, all were in favor; none were opposed. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Guida, seconded by Mr. Aulisio to approve amendment to Policy 217: Graduation Requirements. This amendment would remove the requirements of completion of graduation projects for graduation, as per Appendix "O."

On a voice vote, all were in favor; none were opposed. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Dr. Notari, seconded by Mr. Thomas to approve a contract with Drift Net Security for installation and maintenance of campus security system at a cost of \$11,940.00 annually. This is a three-year contract, as per Appendix "P."

On a voice vote, all were in favor; none were opposed. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mrs. Ciufferi, seconded by Mr. Guida to approve the following Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with SEIU 668 for the Paraprofessional Support Staff, as per Appendix "Q."

On a voice vote, all were in favor; none were opposed. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Ms. Brutico, seconded by Mr. Aulisio to approve the following Memorandum of Understanding with SEIU 668 for the Maintenance Staff, as per Appendix "R."

On a voice vote, all were in favor; none were opposed. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Thomas, seconded by Dr. Notari to approve the following Memorandum of Understandings with the Old Forge Education Association (OFEA):

- Calendar Change, As per Appendix "S."
- Temporary Elementary Morning Duty Position, as per Appendix "T."

On a voice vote, all were in favor; none were opposed. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Guida, seconded by Mr. Thomas to approve the amended school calendar, as per Appendix "U."

On a voice vote, all were in favor; none were opposed. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Ms. Brutico, seconded by Mr. Guida to approve the updated *Health and Safety Plan*, to align with the Secretary of Health's mask wearing directive update, as per Appendix "V."

On a roll call vote:

Marie Ciufferi	YES	Patrick Aulisio	YES
Brian Guida	YES	Roseanne Brutico	YES
Vanessa Nee	YES	Alisha Hudak	YES
Dr. Robert Notari	YES		
Christopher Thomas	YES		

Motion carried 8-0.

A motion was made by Dr. Notari, seconded by Mr. Aulisio to accept the termination of employee # 790, effective August 3, 2020.

On a roll call vote:

Marie Ciufferi	YES	Patrick Aulisio	YES
Brian Guida	YES	Roseanne Brutico	YES
Vanessa Nee	YES	Alisha Hudak	YES
Dr. Robert Notari	YES		
Christopher Thomas	YES		

Motion carried 8-0.

A motion was made by Mrs. Ciufferi, seconded by Mr. Guida to accept, with regret, the resignation of Danielle Castaldi, effective August 31, 2020, as per Appendix "W."

On a voice vote, all were in favor; none were opposed. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Guida, seconded by Ms. Brutico to approve contract with Kelly Services for substitute coverage, as per Appendix, "XA, XB, and XC."

On a voice vote, all were in favor; none were opposed. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Guida, seconded by Mr. Thomas to appoint Joseph Aulisio and temporary day time maintenance worker, salary as per the CBA.

On a roll call vote:

Marie Ciufferi	YES	Patrick Aulisio	ABSTAIN
Brian Guida	YES	Roseanne Brutico	YES
Vanessa Nee	YES	Alisha Hudak	YES
Dr. Robert Notari	YES		
Christopher Thomas	YES		

Motion carried 8-0.

A motion was made by Dr. Notari, seconded by Mrs. Ciufferi to appoint Marina Thomas as night maintenance, salary and benefits as per the CBA.

Please note that the applicant is not related to Board Member Christopher Thomas.

On a roll call vote:

Marie Ciufferi	YES	Patrick Aulisio	YES
Brian Guida	YES	Roseanne Brutico	YES
Vanessa Nee	YES	Alisha Hudak	YES
Dr. Robert Notari	YES		
Christopher Thomas	YES		

Motion carried 8-0.

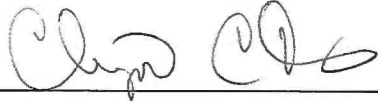
Public Participation: NONE

New Business: Dr. Keating explained the process the board will utilize to fill the vacancy created on the Board of School Directors by the resignation of Jenna Jones Shotwell, per Policy 004.1.

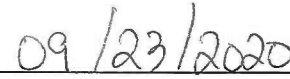
A motion was made by Mr. Aulio, seconded by Mr. Thomas to adjourn the Regular Meeting of Wednesday, August 26, 2020. On a voice vote, all members present voted "YES." The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Minutes submitted by Mr. Christopher Thomas on August 27, 2020.

Minutes Approved at the Regular Meeting of the Board on September 23, 2020.



Assistant Secretary of the Board



Date