

**OTTAWA TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 140
BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING/CLOSED SESSION
BOARD ROOM #202 – FEBRUARY 2, 2024 - 7:30 A.M.**

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL: Motion made by President Donald Harris to call to order the special meeting of the Ottawa Township High School Board of Education District 140 at 7:30 a.m. on February 2, 2024. Members present: Larry Bartman, Donald Harris, John Levy, and Sarah Shumway. Absent: George Shanley.

OTHERS PRESENT: Superintendent Cushing, Principal Leonard, Associate Principal DeWalt.

NEW BUSINESS

APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENT OF NEW MEMBER TO FILL BOARD OF EDUCATION VACANCY: Motion made by Bartman, seconded by Levy to appoint Mr. Roger Amm to fill the board of education vacancy. On roll call all members present voted yea. Motion carried.

PERSONNEL

RESIGNATION: Motion made by Fisher, seconded by Amm to accept the resignation of Mrs. Lynnette Lambert, business teacher, effective February 26, 2024, as presented. On roll call all members present voted yea. Motion carried.

ENTER CLOSED SESSION: Motion made by Shumway, seconded by Bartman to enter into closed session at 7:35 a.m. to discuss the selection of a person to fill a public office, as defined in the Open Meetings Act, including a vacancy in a public office, when the public body is given power to appoint under law or ordinance, 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(3), the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees, specific individuals who serve as independent contractors, or specific volunteers of the District or legal counsel for the District, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee, a specific individual who serves as an independent contractor, or a volunteer of the District or against legal counsel for the District to determine its validity, litigation, student discipline, security procedures, school building safety and security, and the use of personnel and equipment to respond to an actual, a threatened, or a reasonably potential danger to the safety of employees, students, staff, the public or public property - with any necessary action to be taken in open session. On roll call all members present voted yea. Motion carried.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION: Motion made by Shumway, seconded by Bartman to return the board to open session at 7:58 a.m. All in favor said aye. Motion carried.

ADJOURN: There being no further business, motion made by Fisher, seconded by Bartman to adjourn the meeting at 8:32 a.m. All in favor said aye. Motion carried.

Donald Harris, President

Patrick Leonard, Secretary