

**OTTAWA TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 140  
BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING/CLOSED SESSION  
FRIDAY, AUGUST 23, 2024 - 8:00 A.M. – BOARDROOM #202**

**CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL:** President Donald Harris called to order the special meeting of the Ottawa Township High School Board of Education District 140 at 8:00 a.m. on August 23, 2024. Members present: Roger Amm, Larry Bartman, Karen Fisher, Donald Harris, John Levy, and George Shanley. Absent: Sarah Shumway.

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

**ENTER CLOSED SESSION:** Motion made by Fisher, seconded by Levy to enter into closed session at 8:02 a.m. to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees, specific independent contractors, or specific volunteers of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity, litigation, student discipline, 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 Bartman, seconded by Amm to return the board to open session at 8:30 a.m. On roll call all members present voted yea. Motion carried.

**PERSONNEL**

**RESIGNATION:** Motion made by Bartman seconded by Amm to accept the resignation of Ms. Jessica Willis as presented. On roll call all members present voted yea. Motion carried.

**PARAPROFESSIONAL:** Motion made by Fisher seconded by Levy to approve Ms. Rosa Gutierrez for the 2024-25 school year as presented. On roll call all members present voted yea. Motion carried.

**DISCIPLINARY ACTION FOR PARAPROFESSIONAL EMPLOYEE:** Motion made Levy, seconded by Bartman to approve the termination of Ms. Jennifer Paszczyk effective immediately. On roll call all members present voted yea. Motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business, motion made by Amm, seconded by Levy to adjourn the meeting at 8:38 a.m. All in favor said aye. Motion carried.

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Donald Harris, President

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Patrick Leonard, Secretary