

SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA 18503

The Scranton Board of School Directors held a Reorganization Meeting on Monday, December 3, 2012 at 7:30pm prevailing time in the Board Room of the Administration Building, 425 N. Washington Ave., Scranton, PA 18503.

Director Lesh opened the meeting at 7:35pm with a Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Call of the meeting by Secretary Virginia Orr.

In Accordance with the provisions of the School Code, the members of the Board of Directors of the School District of the City of Scranton will meet in the Board Room of the Administration Building, 425 N. Washington Ave., Scranton, PA 18503 on Monday evening, December 3, 2012 at 7:30pm prevailing time for the purpose of reorganization, including the election of President and Vice-President, and the adoption of the rules for the ensuing year.

ROLL CALL: By the Secretary.

PRESENT: Directors Barrett, Fox, Lesh, Martinelli, O'Shea, Ruane, Sheridan and Shrive.

ABSENT: Director McGuigan.

Mrs. Orr now presented plaques to Director Barrett and Director Lesh for their dedicated service as Vice President and President for 2012.

At this time Director Lesh gave his remarks as outgoing president and thanked his fellow board members for their support and their confidence as he embarks on his 16th year as a board member and finishing his second year as board president.

Director Lesh now asked for a motion for Temporary Chairman.

Director O'Shea made a motion to nominate Armand Martinelli as temporary chairman, seconded by Director Ruane and passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

Director Martinelli asked for motion for Office of President.

Director Shrive made a motion to nominate Director O'Shea as President, seconded by Director Fox.

A motion to close nominations for President was made by Director Lesh, seconded by Director Barrett and passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

Director Martinelli asked for motion for Office of Vice President.

Director Lesh made a motion to nominate Director Barrett as Vice President, seconded by Director Ruane.

A motion to close nominations for Vice President was made by Director Lesh, seconded by Director Barrett and passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

At this time Director Martinelli thanked Director Lesh for everything he has done as President of the School Board, this Board, the school district, the citizens of Scranton and the taxpayers of Scranton owe him a debt of gratitude.

The Honorable Judge Margery Moyle now swore in Director Nathan Barrett as Vice President of the Scranton School Board.

Judge Thomas Munley now expressed his thoughts that although he is here to swear in Director O'Shea as President of the School Board, he is also here as a friend of the O'Shea family having known them for thirty some years and he is proud to be a part of all of it.

The Honorable Judge Thomas Munley now swore in Director Sean O'Shea as President of the Scranton School Board.

President O'Shea now thanked outgoing board president Bob Lesh for his dedicated service and for never backing down for what he believed was right for the children and employees of the Scranton School District and the citizens of Scranton.

President O'Shea also thanked the board for trusting him with this honor and he is humbled that they believe in him to elect him President of the board and he will do his best not to let them down.

President O’Shea also recited a quote from John F. Kennedy “A child miseducated is a child lost. Let us think of education as the means of developing our greatest abilities because in each of us there is a private hope and dream which fulfilled can be translated into benefit for everyone and a greater strength for our country.”

President O’Shea added that he believes the most important thing is the education and safety of our children and during his term as Board President he will make sure that every child in this district will get the best education and will be helped to realize the potential they hold within themselves.

President O’Shea further stated that we will continue to make the Scranton School District a friendly and safe environment for the children and employees and assure that the district is a sound investment for the taxpayers and in his tenure in the military he has learned that teamwork is essential for success and he is confident that moving forward as a team that this board along with the administration and staff can make the Scranton School District one of the top districts in the state.

President O’Shea also thanked his family for their love and support, especially his wife Chrissy and their children for the sacrifices they made for him.

President O’Shea now asked for roll call.

PRESENT: Directors Barrett, Fox, Martinelli, Lesh, Ruane, Sheridan, Shrive and President O’Shea.

ABSENT: Director McGuigan.

There being no further business, Director Shrive made a motion to adjourn at 7:58pm, seconded by Director Fox.

By: _____
Secretary