## SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA

The Scranton School Board of Directors held a Special Meeting for General Purposes on Monday, September 28, 2015 at 6:15pm prevailing time in the Board Room of the Administration Building, 425 N. Washington Ave., Scranton, PA 18503.

President Douaihy called the meeting to order at 6:30pm with a Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Attorney Minora announced an executive session was held this evening to discuss litigation, contracts and real estate.

President Douaihy announced that public comment is limited to agenda items only.

Tammy McHale, paraprofessional in the Scranton School District expressed her disappointment that the paraprofessionals are not being recognized for their hard work.

Mr. Douaihy reminded Ms. McHale that he is going to adhere to the board rules and public comment is limited to the one agenda item which is the 1201 Contract.

Rosemary Boland, President of the SFT, representing the paraprofessionals asked the board to please recognize the tremendous value of the paraprofessionals in the school district.

Jessica Savero, paraprofessional expressed disappointment that the paras are not recognized and that all of their jobs matter.

Vita Forgione, paraprofessional also expressed disappointment that the paras are not recognized for their hard work.

Michele Cunningham, paraprofessional is asking for respect for the paraprofessional salaries which are below poverty level.

Michelle Dempsey, parent, on behalf of the paras and teachers asked to please get this contract done.

The following resolution was submitted by Director McAndrew.

WHEREAS, the Labor Relations Committee recommends that the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Service Employees International Union, 32 BJ, Local 1201 effective January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2017 be ratified on the terms and conditions set forth in the attached, in conjunction with the existing articles, recognizing that the same may contain common errors, grammatical mistakes all of which will be identified and corrected.

The resolution was seconded by Director Casey and passed unanimously on roll call vote.

President Douaihy thanked everyone on the negotiating team for their hard work and perseverance.

Director Sheridan announced that he would love to hear their comments and anyone may contact him on his cell phone 24 hours a day.

A motion to adjourn was made by Director Martinelli, seconded by Director Oleski and the meeting adjourned at 6:42pm.

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