

**OTTAWA TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 140  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SPECIAL MEETING/CLOSED SESSION  
MARCH 11, 2015  
7:30 A.M.**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL:** Board President Timothy J. Creedon III called to order the special meeting of the Ottawa Township High School Board of Education District 140 at 7:33 a.m. on March 11, 2015. Members present: Timothy J. Creedon, Bill Byczynski, Gene Duffy, Don Harris, Anita Kopko, and George Shanley. Members absent: Karen Fisher.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Matt Winchester, Mike Cushing, OTHSEA president Matt Gross, Jeff DeWalt, Kelly Schmitt, GSA representatives, Times newspaper, and News Tribune.

**VIA PHONE CONFERENCE:** Motion made by President Creedon, seconded by Byczynski to have Board member Karen Fisher join the meeting via phone conference at 7:34 a.m., due to business. On roll call all members present voted yea. Motion carried.

**AUDIENCE TO VISITORS:** Ciara Koepke, Alex Schott, Christopher Dorsett, Maddie Burress, Andree Marie Koban, and Rev. Kim Wood spoke on behalf of the Gay- Straight Alliance Club.

**CLUB RECOGNITION:** Motion made by Kopko, seconded by Duffy to officially recognize the Gay-Straight Alliance (GSA) club. On roll call all members voted yea. Motion carried.

**PERSONNEL:**

**RESIGNATION:** Motion made by Kopko, seconded by Shanley to approve the resignation of cheerleading coach Chelsea Kuhel as presented. On roll call all members voted yea. Motion carried.

**MATERNITY EXTENSION:** Motion made by Duffy, seconded by Kopko to approve the maternity leave extension of Chelsea Kuhel, returning on Monday, March 16, 2015. On roll call all members voted yea. Motion carried.

**CLOSED SESSION:** Motion made by President Creedon, seconded by Byczynski to enter in to closed session at 7:46 a.m. to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees 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 to determine its validity. On roll call all members voted yea. Motion carried.

**RETURN TO OPEN SESSION:** Motion made by President Creedon to return to open session. Returned to open session at 8:03 a.m.

**STUDENT 2014-15-01:** Motion made by Creedon, seconded by Byczynski to approve the expulsion of Student 2014-15-01 for the remainder of the current school year and entire 2015-16 school year for gross disobedience and misconduct in violation of the Board of Education's policies. On roll call all members voted yea. Motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business, Board President Creedon declared the meeting adjourned at 8:04 a.m.

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**President**

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**Secretary**