

By Dallas Board

Hiring policy questioned

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Joseph O'Donnell, past president of the Dallas School Board, stated Monday evening at the regular meeting of the board that the board's work sessions should be made public.

O'Donnell's statement followed a claim made by the president of the Citizen's Advisory Committee, Ron Moran, that the hiring of Fred Templin, new superintendent of curriculum, appeared to be decided before the actual appointment. Moran said that the new agenda policy the Board adopted last month was supposed to allow for the public to be heard prior to voting. There was no motion made on O'Donnell's suggestion.

Four athletic appointments were made by the board at Monday's meeting. Replacing Ronald Rybak, who resigned last month as head football coach at the Senior High School, will be Ted Jackson, of 41 Belford Street, Shavertown with a salary of \$2,434.00. Both Donald Hossey and Robert Mitkus were appointed as assistant track coaches for the junior high, at \$756.00 each. Finally, Mark Koval of Edwardsville was appointed as the senior high baseball coach at \$902.00.

In other business, the board voted a \$15,490 contribution to the Luzerne Intermediate Unit 18 and approved their 1985 budget.

Enrollment problems are beginning to surface at West Side Vocational Technical evening education program, according to O'Donnell and Board President Ernest Ashbridge.

O'Donnell asked for community input addressed to Superintendent Gerald Wycallis, to decide the future of the program. No action was taken Monday evening.

In other matters, O'Donnell suggested that the district's scholastic achievements be recognized more fully. His statement followed Dr. Thomas Cypher's monthly principals' report. O'Donnell said concentration on sports was "OK" but attention should be paid to scholarly achievements. He suggested these achievements be published in the newspapers. Cypher addressed the issue, saying that the city papers usually don't print these items. O'Donnell suggested the Citizens' Voice might do so.

O'Donnell questioned Cypher further concerning the school counselors role in the DEAL program (in school suspension program). Cypher said that in the junior high, students are pulled out of the program to work with counselors and the senior high students are required to meet with the counselors the day after their return to classes. Cypher noted a total of 28 students in the program from Feb. 11 to the

present: 3 in 7th grade; 7 in 8th grade; 8 in 9th grade; 1 in 10th; 4 in 11th and 5 in 12th.

Molly Connolly of 127 Woodtip Drive, Trucksville, will be representing the District at the Regional Spelling Bee finals to be held at Luzerne County Community College on April 27. The finals will be held in Washington. Molly is one of 48 students in the semi-final competition.

A resolution was adopted declar-

ing the "Newman House" on Hildebrand Road in Dallas Township, "Unused and unnecessary." President Ernest Ashbridge says that sale of the single family frame house is possible. Appraisals will be made and submitted to the school board within 30 days by Mary Crispell and Robert Besecker of Dallas.

Lewis Isaacs, weightlifting instructor at the senior high, has resigned with regrets. The resignation has been in effect since Feb. 20.



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Suits donated

Shown here are members of the Kingston Township Ambulance and its Auxiliary. The auxiliary recently donated a mast trousers set-up to the Kingston Township Ambulance Association for use with trauma victims. From left, Nancy West, auxiliary secretary; Marilyn Pitcavage, vice president; Lorna Laskowski, treasurer; Beth Ann Gallagher, ambulance vice-president; Diane Beisel, ambulance captain; Florence Stella, Helen Missen. Absent at the time of the photo were Marlene Matosky, president; Theresa Bosak, Antoinette Belles, Bernadine Luksic, Irene Wisniesky, and Janet Roberts.

Auxiliary purchases equipment

The Kingston Township Ambulance Auxiliary recently donated a mast trousers set-up to the Kingston Township Ambulance Association. The mast set-up is for trauma victims who experience a decrease in blood flow.

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placed on the victim and inflated. This causes the blood to remain in the vital areas of the victim. Operation of the trousers requires emergency medical technicians who are specially trained in its operation.

Kingston Township Ambulance currently has eight people with this intense training.

The auxiliary, through its various fund-raising activities, has made it possible to purchase the set-up. Their previous efforts allowed for the purchase of the "Jaws of Life." Kingston Township Ambulance is primarily supported through its annual membership drive which is currently underway.

Gill is candidate

John J. Gill, Jr., local attorney, has formally announced that he will be a candidate for Judge for the Court of Common Pleas in Luzerne County. Gill, a Democrat, will be on both the Democratic and Republican slates in the May 21 Primary.

"Those who have been encouraging me have cited my trial experience, particularly my position as an Assistant District Attorney, as a distinguishing qualification for the judgeship," says Gill.

Most recently, Atty. Gill has received an endorsement for his campaign from the 5th Legislative District Democrats.

Gill, a life long resident of the Wyoming Valley, attended West Side Central Catholic High School, Kingston, and received his B.A. Degree from Villanova University. Continuing his education, Atty. Gill received his Juris Doctor Degree from Dickinson School of Law in 1972.

Atty. Gill was admitted to practice in the courts of Luzerne County and Pennsylvania in 1972. He was initially appointed as a staff attorney at the Luzerne County Legal Services Association. Appointed in 1973, Gill served as an Assistant

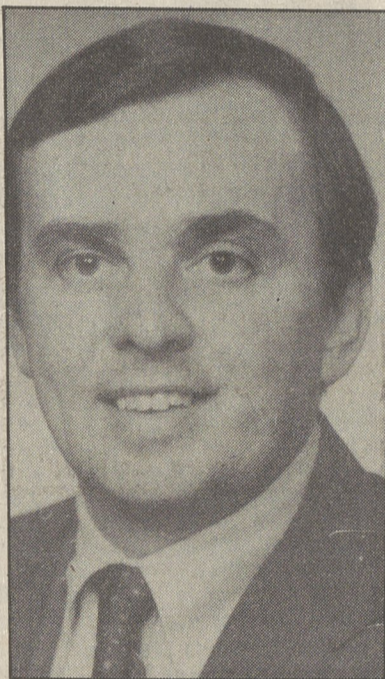
District Attorney under District Attorney Patrick Toole, Jr., and Chester Muroski through 1978.

From 1981 to 1984, Atty. Gill served as Solicitor to Luzerne County and during that time was also Solicitor to the Wilkes-Barre-Scranton International Airport, the Tax Claim Bureau and the Luzerne County Prison. He has also been Solicitor for Courtdale Borough since 1980.

The son of Dr. John and Mollie (Crossin) Gill, Forty Fort, Atty. Gill has maintained a private law practice since 1973, before the State Trial and Appellate Courts, the Federal Trial Courts, and a number of administrative agencies.

Gill's civic and community activities include past president of the Forty Fort Lions Club and zone chairman for District 14-H Lions. He has served on the board of directors of Home Health Services of Luzerne County and on the board of the Health and Hospital Planning Council and its successor The Health Systems Agency.

Married to the former Marie Orrson, Atty and Mrs. Gill have a son, John Mark, age two, and reside at 25 Rose Street, Forty Fort.



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