

Trail names new principal

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FACTORYVILLE - The Lackawanna Trail School Board moved quickly Wednesday night to accept the resignation of High School Principal John Rushefski, who was appointed Old Forge superintendent an hour earlier.

At 8:20 p.m., it was announced that Rushefski's last day at Trail is April 11.

The board then voted to hire the high school's asst. principal, Dr. Mark Murphy, as principal effective April 12 at a salary of \$85,000.

Murphy, who formerly served as dean of students and marching band director at Tyrone Area High School before joining Lackawanna Trail on July 1, 2012, said, "I am both humbled and excited about the opportunity you're placing before me."

In other action during the specially called meeting, the board moved that a revised policy about search and seizure be adopted, following its third reading.

The board also approved the adjudication of four students by identical 6-1 votes with board members Mark Lombardi and David Thorne abstaining and Joseph Strauch voting no.