

**ORADELL BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**ORADELL, NEW JERSEY 07649**  
**PUBLIC WORK/BUSINESS SESSION MEETING**  
**Oradell Public School Auditorium**  
**February 12, 2020**  
**MINUTES**

- I.     *The meeting was called to order at 7:34pm by Mrs. Nichols.***
  
- II.    *The Flag Salute was led by Mr. Griffin.***
  
- III.   *The Sunshine Law Statement was read by Mrs. Nichols.***

All requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act have been met for this meeting of the Board of Education of the Borough of Oradell. Notice of this meeting was filed with The Record and Town News and all persons requesting such notice.

- IV.    *The Mission Statement was read by Mrs. Levy.***

The Oradell Public School District is dedicated to the ongoing pursuit of educational excellence through comprehensive innovative curriculum and instruction. The District is committed to providing opportunities for social, emotional, and academic discovery to foster curiosity, courage, and character. Our goal is to prepare our students to become life-long learners who are self-directed, resilient, productive responsible citizens.

Adopted by the Oradell Board of Education March 27, 2019

- V.     **ROLL CALL****

***Present: Mr. Derian, Mr. Griffin, Mrs. Levy, Mrs. Nichols, Mrs. Walker, and Mr. Walsh. Mrs. Shapiro arrived at 7:36pm.***

***Absent: Mrs. Norian.***

*Also present were Dr. John C. Anzul, Superintendent, John M. Marmora, Business Administrator/Board Secretary, Mrs. Jennifer A. Osborne, Attorney and Partner of Sciarrillo Cornell, Merlino, McKeever & Osborne, LLC, 5 members of the administration and staff, and approximately 7 members of the public.*

**VI. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR AGENDA ITEMS ONLY- None**

**VII. BOARD PRESIDENT'S REMARKS**

- *Oradell Board of Education Vacancy Interviews*

*Mrs. Nichols explained the Oradell Board of Education Vacancy Interview procedure.*

*Mrs. Levy asked if a candidate could still be eligible if they were not present tonight. Mr. Derian asked for clarification on the process. Mrs. Nichols responded.*

*The list of candidates interviewed for the vacancy were:*

*Megan K. Barnes  
Pooja Bhatia-Nigam  
V.J. Castro  
Michael Ruiz de Somocurcio*

*After all the candidates were interviewed, Mrs. Nichols announced the board will enter into closed session to deliberate.*

*A motion by Mr. Walsh and seconded by Mr. Derian the board entered closed session at 8:15pm.*

**CLOSED SESSION**

*(NOTICE: Public action may be taken after Closed Session concludes.)*

**WHEREAS**, a matter to be considered by the Board of Education deals with personnel, negotiations and/or possible litigation, and

**WHEREAS**, public disclosure of this matter may be prejudicial to the public good,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that this matter be considered in a meeting closed to the public; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Minutes of this meeting be sealed until the matter is resolved.

*A motion by Mr. Walsh and seconded by Mrs. Walker to exit closed session at 9:05pm, and carried a roll call vote of 7-0. Mrs. Norian was absent.*

#### **VIII. BOARD NOMINATION FOR BOARD VACANCY**

- *Mrs. Nichols thanked all the candidates for participating in the interview process. She also commented on how qualified all the candidates were, which made it tough to decide.*
- *Mrs. Nichols stated that the Board interviewed 4 candidates on February 12, 2020 for the board vacancy. Nominations are now in order to fill the board vacancy. Mr. Walsh nominated Mr. V.J. Castro and Mrs. Levy seconded that nomination. There were no additional nominations made and Mrs. Nichols closed the nominations. Mr. V.J. Castro was approved by roll call vote with each Board Member stating they voted for Mr. V.J. Castro.*
- *Mrs. Nichols acknowledged Dr. Anzul on his retirement and presented him with a clock as a token of appreciation.*
- *Dr. Anzul commented that he is extremely proud of the time he has spent in Oradell. He thanked the board for their support, and his team which includes the central office staff, the administrative team, teachers, support staff, all staff, students, the community and all the local stakeholders throughout the community. He commented that he feels good about the time he has spent with Interim Superintendent Barbara Longo to ensure a smooth transition.*

#### **IX. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

- *Dr. Anzul announced that the student enrollment as of January 31, 2020 was 764 students and the student attendance rate for the month of January was 94.23%.*

#### **X. BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT - None**

#### **XI. MINUTES**

*A motion by Mr. Walsh, seconded by Mrs. Walker, the approval of the 01/6/2020 Reorganization Meeting Minutes and 01/15/2020 Special Meeting Minutes and the review of Meeting Minutes of 01/22/2020, were approved and carried by a roll call vote of 7-0.*

REVIEW OF MEETING MINUTES

- January 22, 2020 Work/Business Section

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

- January 6, 2020 Reorganization & Work/Business Section
- January 15, 2020 Special Meeting

**XII. COMMITTEE REPORTS/ACTIONS**

**A. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS**

*A motion by Mr. Derian, seconded by Mr. Walsh and carried by a roll call vote of 7-0 the Board approved A1.*

- A1. Approval of 2020-2021 Holiday Calendar for 12-Month Employees – It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board of Education approves the 2020-2021 Holiday Calendar for 12-Month Employees

**B. BUILDING & GROUNDS/ SAFETY-** Mr. Derian, Interim Chairperson

*Mr. Derian commented on the last subcommittee meeting and hoping to have the remaining issues with the basement construction project solved soon as the furniture is on the way.*

*A motion by Mr. Derian, seconded by Mr. Walsh and carried by a roll call vote of 7-0 the Board approved B1.*

- B1. Use of School Facilities- It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board of Education approves the following requests for use of school facilities for the SY 2019-2020 in accordance with Board Policy #1330:

|   | <b>Organization</b>                  | <b>Event</b>                       | <b>Area of Building</b> | <b>Date (s)</b>            | <b>Time</b>                      | <b>Custodian OT</b>                     | <b>Facility Charge</b>  |
|---|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------------|---|---|
| 1 | All the World's A Stage (Category D) | Theater Program Children ages 7-14 | Auditorium              | 6/24/20-7/24/20<br>7/24/20 | 4 hours in AM<br>6:00PM-10:00 PM | \$0.00<br>4 hrs. x \$64.50=<br>\$258.00 | 22 days x 4 hours = 88 hrs. total<br>88 hrs. @ \$50/hrs. = \$4,400<br><b>Air Conditioning</b> |

|   |   |   |                     |                                       |                                 |   |  |
|---|---|---|---------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------|---|--|
|   |   |   |                     |                                       |                                 |   | (if requested)<br>\$31 per day<br><br><b>Technical Services</b><br>\$50 per hour in increments of 4 hours (if requested) |
| 2 | Oradell PTA (Category A)<br>REVISE:<br>8/7/19 | Book Fair   | MPR D               | 3/16/20-3/19/20<br>3/20/20 (Clean up) | 8:00AM-10:00PM<br>9:00AM-2:00PM | 0   | 0  |
| 3 | 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Giveback (Category A)   | Creating toothbrush & toothpaste packs for homeless               | World Language Room | 3/2/20                                | 1 Hour (After School)           | 0   | 0  |
| 4 | OPS Admin Team (Category A)                   | Cyber Security Presentations by Bergen County Prosecutor's Office | Auditorium          | 2/27/20                               | 10:30AM and 7:00PM              | 0   | 0  |
| 5 | Oradell PTA (Category A)                      | Babysitting Course  | Auditorium          | 3/28/20                               | 9:00AM - 4:00PM                 | Custodian Staff will adjust work schedule accordingly | 0  |

C. **CURRICULUM-** Mrs. Norian, Interim Chairperson

*Mrs. Walker thanked the PTA for their contribution to the Watson Adventures field trip.*

*A motion by Mrs. Walker, seconded by Mr. Walsh and carried by a roll call vote of 7-0 the Board approved C1-C3.*

- C1. Approval of Field Trip Destination(s) for SY 2019-2020 – It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board approves the following field trip destination(s) for SY 2019-2020:

| DESTINATION    | LOCATION   |
|----------------|------------|
| Ramsey Theatre | Ramsey, NJ |

C2. Approval of Field Trip(s) – It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board approves the following field trip(s) for SY 2019-2020:

|   | Destination                       | Grade | Date       | Cost to District | Cost to Parents                                      |
|---|-----------------------------------|-------|------------|------------------|--|
| 1 | Meadowlands Environment Center    | 1     | March 2020 | \$0.00           | \$1,710 (Admission)<br>\$825 (Transportation)        |
| 2 | Watson Adventures, Morristown, NJ | 6     | May 2020   | \$0.00           | \$2,952 (Admission)*<br>\$1,035 (Transportation)     |
| 3 | Gershwin Theatre New York, NY     | 5 & 6 | March 2020 | \$0.00           | \$120 (Per Attendee)<br>(Admission & Transportation) |

\*\$1,000 PTA Mini Grant will be applied

C3. Approval of English Language Learner Progress Report (ELL) - It is hereby moved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board approves the ELL Progress Report (attached), for use during SY 2019-2020:

**D. FINANCE/ TECHNOLOGY-** Mrs. Shapiro, Interim Chairperson

*Mrs. Shapiro reported the next committee meeting will be Wednesday, 2/19/2020. She also recognized items D6 & D7 and expressed her appreciation for how fortunate we are to live in such a caring community.*

*A motion by Mrs. Shapiro, seconded by Mr. Walsh and carried by a roll call vote 7-0, the Board approved D1-D13 (Mrs. Shapiro abstained from D7 and Mrs. Nichols voted No to D8).*

- D1. Hand Check Payroll Register for January 30, 2020– It is hereby moved, upon the recommendation of the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, that the Board retroactively approves the disbursements on the Payroll Hand Check Register for January 30, 2020 in the amount of \$368,674.78.
- D2. Check Register for February 4 - 12, 2020 - It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Business Administrator/ Board Secretary, that the Board approves the disbursements on the February 4 - 12, 2020 Check Register in the amount of \$319,686.23 check numbers 990013 and 020978 - 021032.
- D3. Approval of the Financial Reports of the Board Secretary and Treasurer – It is hereby moved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that

the Board approve the Report of the Board Secretary, A148, and the Treasurer, A149, as of **December 31, 2019**.

- D4. Transfer of Funds – It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board approves the Monthly Transfers Report as of **December 31, 2019**, in accordance with Title 18A:22-8.1 and furthermore, designates the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to make budget transfers between line items, and to make additional transfers as necessary between monthly meetings of the Board.
- D5. Monthly Budgetary Line Item Certification – RESOLVED, that the Board Secretary for the Oradell Board of Education certifies that pursuant to N.J.A.C 6A:23A-16.10 (c) 3 as of **December 31, 2019**, that no line item account has encumbrances and expenditures, which in total exceed the line item appropriation in violation of N.J.A.C 6A:23A-16.10 (a) ; and
- FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the Oradell Board of Education certifies that pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10 (c) 4 that after review of the Board Secretary’s Report (A148) and Treasurer’s Report (A149) and the advice of district officials, we have no reason to doubt that any major account or fund has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C 6A:23A-16.10 (b) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the District’s financial obligation for the remainder of the fiscal year.
- D6. Acceptance of Oradell Kids Foundation Grant Monies for the SY 2019-2020 – It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board accepts with deep appreciation grant award money from the Oradell Kids Foundation for the following:

|   | <b>Grade</b>          | <b>Grant</b>                      | <b>Amount</b>     |
|---|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------|
| 1 | Kindergarten          | Health Barn Healthy Eating        | \$800.00          |
| 2 | 1 <sup>st</sup> Grade | Unique Creatures Production       | \$765.00          |
| 3 | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade | Liberty Science Traveling Program | \$770.00          |
| 4 | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade | Two iPads, Stand and Cover        | \$800.00          |
| 5 | 4 <sup>th</sup> Grade | The Ways of the Lenape            | \$565.00          |
| 6 | 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade | Viewing of A Beautiful Day        | \$800.00          |
| 7 | 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade | Viewing of A Beautiful Day        | \$800.00          |
| 8 | Spanish               | Guitarist and Flamenco Dancer     | \$800.00          |
| 9 | Phys Ed               | Ultra Net Systems                 | \$1,000.00        |
|   |                       | <b>Total</b>                      | <b>\$7,100.00</b> |

- D7. Acceptance of Oradell Public School PTA Mini-Grant Monies for the SY 2019-2020 – It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the

Superintendent, that the Board accepts with deep appreciation mini-grant award money from the Oradell Public School PTA for the following:

| Grade                 | Grant                      | Amount     |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|------------|
| 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade | Watson & Watson Adventures | \$1,000.00 |

- D8. Approval of purchase from Krueger International, Inc. (K.I.) – It is hereby moved upon, the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board approves the purchase of furniture for TAG/Basement Renovation through the New Jersey State approved Co-op #65MCESCCP. Purchasing Price of ESCNJ 17/18-16 bid prepared, advertised, and received by the ESC of Morris County School District for the NJ State approved cooperative pricing members in the total amount of \$57,060.81.
- D9. Approval of Shared Services Agreement Between Ridgewood Board of Education and Oradell Board of Education for Student Services, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves a Shared Services Agreement Between Ridgewood Board of Education and Oradell Board of Education for Student Services authorized by N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1, et. seq. (“Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act).
- D10. Approval of Special Education Services for SY 2019-2020– It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board approves Hugh Bases for Developmental Pediatric Services for SY 2019-2020.
- D11. Approval of Cooperative Pricing Agreement with the New Jersey Cooperative Purchase Alliance for SY 2019-2020 - It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board approves the Cooperative Pricing Agreement between the Oradell Board of Education and the New Jersey Cooperative Purchase Alliance for SY 2019-2020, at no annual fee.
- D12. Approval of Special Education Medicaid Initiative (SEMI) waiver for SY 2020-2021 - It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Oradell Public School District approves the following:

**WHEREAS**, N.J.A.C. 6A:23-5.3 provides that a school district may request a waiver of compliance with respect to the district’s participation in the Special Education Medicaid Initiative (SEMI) program for the 2020-2021 school year; and



**WHEREAS**, the Oradell Board of Education desires to apply for this waiver due to the fact that it projects having fewer than 40 Medicaid eligible classified students;

**NOW THEREFORE**, be it resolved, that the Oradell Borough Board of Education hereby authorizes the Superintendent to submit to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools in the County of Bergen, an appropriate waiver of the requirements of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-5.3 for the 2020-2021 school year.

- D13. Approval of YWCA of Bergen County Lease Agreement – It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board approves the Lease Agreement between the Oradell Board of Education and the YWCA of Bergen County for the use of the Oradell Public School to operate the Before/After-School Program from September 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020.

**E. NJSBA/ BCSBA DELEGATE REPORT-** Mr. Walsh, Delegate

*Mr. Walsh will be attending the Odyssey of the Mind Competition on 2/29/2020.*

**F. PERSONNEL-** Mrs. Walker, Interim Chairperson

*Mrs. Walker reported that tonight's meeting was postponed due to lack of a quorum.*

*A motion by Mrs. Walker seconded by Mr. Walsh and carried by a roll call of 7-0 the board approved F1-F2 (Mrs. Levy abstained from Section V. A #2 of the Personnel Committee Report).*

- F1. It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board accepts and approves the Personnel Committee Report dated February 12, 2020.
- F2. Appointment of Substitute Recording Technician(s) for SY 2019-2020 - It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board appoints the following Substitute Recording Technician(s) for SY 2019-2020:

|   | Last Name | First Name | Position                        | Salary        |
|---|-----------|------------|---------------------------------|---------------|
| 1 | Gallagher | Eileen     | Substitute Recording Technician | \$25 per hour |
| 2 | Mardini   | Rami       | Substitute Recording Technician | \$25 per hour |
| 3 | Ramirez   | Melissa    | Substitute Recording Technician | \$25 per hour |

**G. POLICY-** Mrs. Levy, Interim Chairperson

*Mrs. Levy reported that the next Policy committee meeting will be reschedule and she will not be present at the next board meeting due to a scheduling conflict. Mrs. Levy confirmed this is a “second-first reading” after doing an audit of all policies reviewed.*

G1. First reading of the following Policies:

|   | Policy # | Description                          |
|---|----------|--------------------------------------|
| 1 | 3517     | Security and Electronic Surveillance |
| 2 | 5142.2   | Physical Restraint                   |

**H. PUBLIC RELATIONS-** Mr. Griffin, Interim Chairperson

*Mr. Griffin reported that the January meeting notes are in the packet and the next meeting will be on 2/24/2020.*

**I. TRI DISTRICT/ SHARED SERVICES-**TBD, Interim Chairperson

**XIII. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC - None**

**XIV. OLD BUSINESS**

*Mr. Walsh thanked all involved for the 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Senior Give Back. Everyone had a nice time. Mrs. Walker also shared the same sentiment.*

*Mrs. Shapiro expressed her gratitude and appreciation for Mrs. Rina Yacoubian-Kouyoumdjian and wished her well in her retirement. Mrs. Shapiro also commented on the Give a Pair, Wear a Pair P.J. event.*

*Mr. Griffin noted how impressed he was with the board vacancy interview process and candidates that participated. He hopes all the candidates involved will run again in November. Mrs. Shapiro also expressed how lucky the district is to have the level of involvement for the board vacancy.*

## **XV. NEW BUSINESS**

*Mrs. Nichols suggested temporarily removing the Tri District/Shared Services committee to future agendas. Mr. Griffin wanted to make sure even if we do remove the committee, we do value the shared services.*

*Mrs. Levy wanted everyone to be aware of the Read Across America events happening in district and how they can get involved.*

*Mrs. Walker inquired about the district newsletter. Dr. Anzul responded.*

*Mr. Derian reported on a NJSBA meeting focusing on engagement, social media do's and don't's that may be interesting. Mrs. Levy provided additional information.*

*Mr. Derian also commented on the NJSBA presentation that the district will be hosting at the 3/11/2020 meeting. Dr. Anzul provided additional information on the presentation that will take place at the meeting.*

*Mrs. Nichols that Matt Lee from NJSBA and Jeff Merlino, the district attorney, will be here at our 4/1/2020 special meeting to give a presentation on community engagement.*

*Mrs. Levy & Mrs. Walker reported on the NJSBA Dinner Meeting they attended on 1/29/2020 on regionalization. Discussion ensued.*

## **XVI. ADJOURNMENT**

*A motion made by Mr. Derian and seconded by Mr. Walsh, and carried a roll call vote of 7-0, the meeting was adjourned at 9:40pm.*

*Respectfully Submitted,*



*John M. Marmora  
Business Administrator/Board Secretary*