

**ORADELL BOARD OF EDUCATION  
ORADELL, NEW JERSEY 07649  
SPECIAL MEETING- BOARD RETREAT  
REMOTE MEETING VIA ZOOM  
January 28, 2021**

**MINUTES**

**I. *The meeting was called to order at 7:34 p.m. by Mrs. Nichols.***

**II. *The Flag Salute was waived.***

**III. *The Sunshine Law Statement reading was waived***

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 reading was waived.***

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: Mrs. Bhatia -Nigam, Mrs. Levy, Mrs. Norian, Mrs. Shapiro, Mrs. Walker, Mr. Derian and Mrs. Nichols. Mr. Griffin arrived at 8:23 p.m. and Mr. Walsh was absent.*

*Also present were Mrs. Longo, Interim Superintendent, John M. Marmora, Business Administrator/Board Secretary, 1 member of the administration, and Matt Lee from NJSBA.*

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

**VII. **BOARD PRESIDENT’S REMARKS****

*Mrs. Nichols turned the meeting over to Mr. Matt Lee, NJSBA Facilitator, who conducted the annual Board Retreat including a presentation on board governance and the role of a board member and an update on the Board Goals and District Goals.*

1. Mr. Matthew Lee, NJSBA Facilitator will conduct the annual Board Retreat

- ~~Board Self Evaluation~~

- Update on the Board Goals

- 2020-2021 Oradell Board Goals

- 1. *Work with the administration to develop plans to improve the lower level of the building.*

- 2. *Complete a successful negotiation with the OAA.*

- 3. *Continue to broaden public engagement with parents, students and community while increasing parental engagement in the educational process.*

- *Annual District Goals -Ms. Bozios reviewed prior year and current year Annual District Goals.*

- 2020-2021 Oradell District Goals

1. *Increase the number of students on the New Jersey Student Learning Assessment (NJSLA) who move from Approaching (or below) to either Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in Math (Target score of 80%), and English - Language Arts (Target Score of 90%). In the absence of the administration of the NJSLA, the goal will be revised to demonstrate growth between Linkit! Form A (September) and Linkit! Form C (June) with a target increase of 10 percentage points on ELA and a growth of 28 percentage points in Mathematics. Build documented systems of intervention to support students who are struggling to meet academic progress indicators.*
2. *Build documented systems of support to address the social/emotional needs of students, staff and families.*
3. *Increase integration of technology into the teaching and learning process to increase student engagement and student achievement.*

**VIII. INTERIM SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT – None**

**IX. BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR REPORT**

*Mr. Marmora explained the financial items are in this agenda since they will be sent to the County. Mr. Marmora informed that the Auditors will be presenting their reports at the next meeting.*

**X. COMMITTEE REPORTS/ACTIONS**

**A. FINANCE/ TECHNOLOGY-** Mrs. Shapiro, Chairperson

*A motion by Mrs. Shapiro, seconded by Mrs. Walker, and carried by a roll call vote of 7-0 the Board approved A1 – A3. Mr. Griffin arrived at 8:23 p.m. and Mr. Walsh was absent.*

- A1. Approval of the **Financial Reports** of the Board Secretary and Treasurer – It is hereby moved, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, that the Board approve the Report of the Board Secretary, A148, and the Treasurer, A149, as of **December 31, 2020**.
- A2. **Transfer of Funds** – It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, that the Board approves the Monthly Transfers Report as of **December 31, 2020**, 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.
- A3. **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, 2020**, 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.

**XI. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC – *None***

**XII. OLD BUSINESS – *None***

**XIII. NEW BUSINESS – *None***

**XIV. ADJOURNMENT**

*A motion by Mrs. Norian, and seconded by Mrs. Walker, and carried a roll call vote of 8-0, the meeting was adjourned at 9:28 pm.*

*Respectfully Submitted,*



***John M. Marmora***  
***Business Administrator/Board Secretary***