

**ORADELL BOARD OF EDUCATION  
ORADELL, NEW JERSEY 07649  
PUBLIC WORK/BUSINESS SESSION MEETING  
Oradell Public School Auditorium  
March 10, 2021**

**MINUTES**

**I.     *The meeting was called to order at 7:36 p.m. 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 Mr. Derian.***

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, Mr. Griffin, Mrs. Levy, Mrs. Norian, Mrs. Shapiro, Mrs. Walker, Mr. Walsh, Mr. Derian and Mrs. Nichols.*

*Also present were Mrs. Longo, Interim Superintendent, John M. Marmora, Business Administrator/Board Secretary, 3 members of the administration, approximately 2 members of the public in person and approximately 27 via Zoom.*

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

**VII.   **BOARD PRESIDENT’S REMARKS – None****

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

**IX.    **BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT****

*Mr. Marmora presented on the 2021 - 2022 Tentative Budget and fielded questions from the board.*

**X. MINUTES**

*A motion by Mr. Walsh, seconded by Mrs. Norian, the approval of Meeting Minutes of 02/10/2021 and Board Retreat Meeting Minutes of 01/28/2021, and the review of Meeting Minutes of 02/24/2021 were approved and carried by a roll call vote of 9-0.*

REVIEW OF MEETING MINUTES

- February 24, 2021 Work/Business Section

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

- February 10, 2021 Work/Business Section
- January 28, 2021 Board Retreat and Work/Business Section

**XI. COMMITTEE REPORTS/ACTIONS**

**A. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS**

*A motion by Mr. Derian, seconded by Mrs. Norian, and carried by a roll call vote of 9-0 the Board approved A1.*

- A1. **HIB Report for January and February 2021** – It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, that the Board affirms the decision and findings of the listed HIB Reports as reported by the Interim Superintendent to the Board of Education

1	01.29.21.1
2	02.03.21.2

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

*A motion by Mr. Derian, seconded by Mr. Walsh, and carried by a roll call vote of 9-0 the Board approved B1.*

- B1. Use of School Facilities- It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, that the Board of Education approves the following requests for use of school facilities for the **SY 2020 -2021** in accordance with **Board Policy #1330:**

#	Organization	Event	Area of Building	Date(s)	Time	Custodian OT	Facility Charge
1	6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Class Spring Fling Committee (Category A)	6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Spring Fling	Center Ave. Basketball Court, MPR, & Restrooms	06/11/2021	3:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.	-0-	-0-

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

*Mrs. Norian reported the committee has scheduled to meet on Monday, 03/15/2021.*

*A motion by Mrs. Norian, seconded by Mr. Walsh, and carried by a roll call vote of 9-0 the Board approved C1.*

- C1. **Approval of Field Trip Destination(s) for SY 2020-2021** - It is hereby moved upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, that the Board approves the following field trip destination(s):

<b>Destination</b>	<b>Location</b>
Florentine Gardens	River Vale, NJ

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

*Mrs. Nigam asked if the students in D5 were new to the District. Mr. Marmora responded. Mrs. Walker asked about the difference in Hospital Instruction Service in Item D3 and home instruction service. Mr. Marmora responded.*

*Mrs. Walker asked who will do the training and who will receive the training in Item D4. Mr. Marmora.*

*Mrs. Nichols asked about D4. Ms. Bozios responded.*

*Mrs. Walker asked if the unused travel budget in Item D7 be used for something else. Mr. Marmora responded.*

*Mrs. Walker asked about D7. Mr. Marmora responded.*

*A motion by Mrs. Shapiro, seconded by Mr. Walsh, and carried by a roll call vote of 9-0 the Board approved D1-D7.*

- D1. Hand Check Payroll Register for **February 26, 2021**– 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 February 26, 2021 in the amount of **\$352,197.26**.
- D2. Check Register for **March 5, 2021 – March 10, 2021** - It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Business Administrator/ Board Secretary, that the Board approves the disbursements on the March 3, 2021 – March 10, 2021 Check Register in the amount of **\$274,130.01** check numbers **990043 - 990044 and 021889 - 021921**.
- D3. **Approval of Contract for Hospital Instruction Services with Educational Services Commission of New Jersey for SY 2020-21** - It is hereby moved, that the Board authorizes the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to enter into an agreement with Hospital Instruction Services with Educational Services Commission of New Jersey to provide Hospital Instruction to students who are confined during school hours for medical and/or rehabilitative care during SY 2020-21 at a rate of **\$69 per hour**.
- D4. **Approval of Special Education Services for SY 2020-2021** – It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, that the Board approved **Crisis**

**Prevention Institute, Inc. to provide crisis prevention training in the amount not to exceed \$4,000.**

- D5. **REVISED 01/06/2021: Approval of Special Education Programs/Services for SY 2020-21** – It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, that the Board approves the following Programs/Services for SY 2020-21.

<b>STUDENT #</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION OF PROGRAM/SERVICES</b>	<b>COST</b>
110	Northern Valley Regional High School-Valley Program (ESY tuition)	7,095
	Aide(ESY)	4,340
	Occupational Therapy (ESY) 3x/wk. @ \$65	780.00
	Physical Therapy (ESY) 3x/wk. @ \$65	780.00
	CTC Academy (Sept-June tuition)	83,514.00
	1:1 Aide (effective 12/2/2020 \$125/diem)	16,250
	<b>Heart to Heart &amp; Associates (1/1/21-4/30/21)</b> <b>Speech Therapy 1 session wk. @ \$85</b> <b>Occupational Therapy 1 session/wk. @ \$85</b>	<b>1,445</b> <b>1,445</b>
117	Deron School (ESY tuition)	10,378.80
	Aide (ESY)	4,650.00
	COR Behavioral-Speech 1x/wk. (7/1-8/28/2020) @ \$140	1,120
	COR Behavioral-Speech 1x/wk. (8/31-12/31/2020) @ \$140	2,520
	<b>COR Behavioral-Speech 1x/wk. (1/1-3/5/21) @ \$140</b>	<b>1,260</b>
	<b>Heart to Heart &amp; Associates</b> <b>Speech Therapy 2 session/wk. (3/8-6/30/21) @ \$85</b>	<b>2,890</b>
	Deron School (Sept-June tuition)	62,272.80
Aide (Sept-June)	27,900.00	

- D6. **Adoption of the Tentative 2021-2022 School District Budget** – It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, that the Board approved the 2021-2022 school district budget for submission to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools.

General Fund	\$13,626,244
Special Revenue Fund	\$ 265,132
Debt Service Fund	\$ 485,300

Total Budget \$14,376,676

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the following General Fund and Debt Service tax levies be approved to support the 2021-2022 budget:

General Fund \$12,333,735

Debt Service Fund \$ 485,300

**D7. Approval of a Maximum Travel Expenditure for SY 2021-2022 –**

WHEREAS, the Oradell Board of Education policy #6471 and NJAC 6A:23B-1.2(b) provides that the Board of Education shall establish in the annual school budget a maximum expenditure amount that may be allotted for such travel and expense reimbursement for the 2020-2021 school year.

WHEREAS, the Oradell Board of Education appropriated \$40,000 for travel during the 2020-2021 school year and has spent \$36 as of March 4, 2021.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Oradell Board of Education hereby establishes the school district travel maximum for the **2021-2022 school year at the sum of \$40,000** and

BE IT RESOLVED that the School Business Administrator shall track and record these costs to ensure that the maximum amount is not exceeded.

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

*Mr. Walsh reported on the Delegate Meeting he attended on Saturday, 03/06/2021. Regionalization was the topic of discussion.*

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

*Mrs. Walker reported the Personnel committee met this evening to go over the 2021-2022 budget items.*

*Mrs. Walker asked about the end date in item IIB from the personnel report. Mrs. Longo responded and it will be added after the meeting.*

*A motion by Mrs. Walker, seconded by Mr. Walsh, and carried by a roll call vote of 9-0 the Board approved F1.*

F1. It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, that the Board accepts and approves the Personnel Committee Report dated **March 10, 2021**.

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

*Mrs. Levy reported the Committee is working to schedule a meeting.*

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

*Mr. Griffin requested the Chair to follow up on a passed request to have the goals of the committee written.*

**I. COVID-19 TASK FORCE-** Mr. Griffin, Chairperson

*Mr. Griffin reported on the discussions from the last Covid Task Force Meeting held 3/10/21. Topics included safe procedures during teacher observations, impact on future standardized testing, options to expand in person school time for students, and exploring ways to ensure the staff have access to the vaccine.*

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

**XIII. OLD BUSINESS**

*Mrs. Shapiro reflected on the events from the last year and how Oradell Public School has been able to thrive during these challenging times.*

*Mrs. Walker commented on the accomplishment of hiring our new Superintendent.*

*Mrs. Walker commented on statewide testing and the State Health Care Reform, Chapter 44.*

*Mrs. Nichols commented on Chapter 44.*

**XIV. NEW BUSINESS**

*Mrs. Levy reported on a PTA event.*

*Mrs. Levy commented on an email sent to parents regarding more in school instruction.*

*Mrs. Nigam reported on the PTA Science Workshop.*

*Mrs. Levy shared her appreciation and thanks to those who dressed up and read during Read Across America.*

**XV. ADJOURNMENT**

*A motion by Mrs. Norian, and seconded by Mrs. Walker, and carried a roll call vote of 9-0, the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm.*

*Respectfully Submitted,*



**John M. Marmora**

**Business Administrator/Board Secretary**