

ORADELL BOARD OF EDUCATION

ORADELL, NEW JERSEY 07649

PUBLIC WORK/BUSINESS SESSION MEETING

Oradell Public School Auditorium

October 28, 2020

MINUTES

I. *The meeting was called to order at 7:37 p.m. by Mrs. Nichols.*

II. *The Flag Salute was led by Mrs. Walker.*

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

Also present were Barbara Longo, Interim Superintendent, John M. Marmora, Business Administrator/Board Secretary, Mr. Jeff Merlin, Board Attorney, 3 members of the administration, and approximately 127 virtual members of the public.

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

VII. BOARD PRESIDENT’S REMARK

Mrs. Nichols mentioned the Reopening Survey Results and District Goals were previously provided in the Board packets for review. Mrs. Walker expressed more time for review would be best. Mrs. Levy thanked everyone for participating in the survey. Also, thanked Barbara Longo. Mrs. Levy inquired about test scores. Mrs. Nichols asked Mrs. Longo if she thinks we will have standardized testing. Mrs. Longo responded yes, but it could change. Mrs. Nichols mentioned she will revisit the survey and goals in the two week to give additional review time.

VIII. INTERIM SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT – None

IX. BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT – None

X. MINUTES

A motion by Mr. Walsh, seconded by Mrs. Walker, the approval of the Meeting Minutes of 9/23/2020 and the review of Meeting Minutes of 10/14/2020 were approved and carried by a roll call vote of 8-0, Mr. Griffin abstained.

REVIEW OF MEETING MINUTES

- October 14, 2020 Work/Business Section

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

- September 23, 2020 Work/Business Section

XI. COMMITTEE REPORTS/ACTIONS

A. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

Mrs. Levy asked for clarification of changes, and Mrs. Longo responded.

A motion by Mr. Derian, seconded by Mr. Walsh, and carried by a roll call vote of 9-0 the Board approved A1-A2.

- A1. Approval of District Student Code of Conduct for SY 2020-2021 – It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, that the Board approves the District Student Code of Conduct for SY 2020-2021.
- A2. Approval of Parent-Student Handbook for SY 2020-2021 – It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board approves the Parent-Student Handbook for SY 2020-2021.

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

Mr. Derian and Mr. Marmora gave update on the HVAC upgrade project.

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
Oradell PTA (Category A)	Jack-O-Lantern Event	OPS Front Lawn	10/28/2020 - 10/30/2020	Timeslot Signup to Drop Off Pumpkins	-0-	-0-

C. CURRICULUM- Mrs. Norian, Chairperson

Mrs. Norian notified that the committee has not been able to meet, but they have been following the course of COVID19 and make any necessary adjustments as seemed necessary.

D. FINANCE/ TECHNOLOGY- Mrs. Shapiro, Chairperson

A motion by Mrs. Shapiro, seconded by Mr. Walsh, and carried by a roll call vote of 9-0 the Board approved D1 – D8.

- D1. **Hand Check Payroll Register for October 15, 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 October 15, 2020 in the amount of **\$362,996.85**.
- D2. **Check Register for October 15, 2020** - It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Business Administrator/ Board Secretary, that the Board approves the disbursements on the October 15, 2020 Check Register in the amount of **\$161,895.75** check numbers **990034**.
- D3. **Check Register for October 28, 2020** - It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Business Administrator/ Board Secretary, that the Board approves the disbursements on the October 28, 2020 Check Register in the amount of **\$144,143.27** check numbers **021568-021624**.
- D4. **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 **September 30, 2020**.

D5. **Transfer of Funds** – It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, that the Board approves the Monthly Transfers Report as of **September 30, 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.

D6. **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 **September 30, 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.

D7. **REVISED 8/19/2020 - Approval of Special Education Programs/Services for SY 2020-21** – It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, that the Board approves retroactively the following Programs/Services for SY 2020-21.

STUDENT #	DESCRIPTION OF PROGRAM/SERVICES	COST
115	Northern Valley Regional High School-Valley Program (ESY tuition)	7,095.36
	Northern Valley Regional High School-Valley Program (Sept-June tuition)	70,953.64
	1:1 Aide (Sept-June)	43,396
	Speech (Sept-June) 1x/wk. @ \$65	2,600
	Occupational Therapy (ESY) 2 x \$65	520
	Parent training-1x/wk. (8/3-8/28/2020) @ \$40	160
	ABA-1x/wk. (8/3-8/28/2020) @ \$40	160
	Speech-4x/wk. (8/3-8/28/20) @ \$65 \$80	1,280
	Occupational Therapy 2x/wk. @ \$65 (Sept-June)	5,200

D8. **Submission of Comprehensive Maintenance Plan** – It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, that the Board approves the Submission of Comprehensive Maintenance Plan.

WHEREAS, the Department of Education requires New Jersey School Districts to submit three-year maintenance plans documenting “required” maintenance activities for each of its public school facilities; and,

WHEREAS, the required maintenance activities as listed for the various school facilities of Oradell Public School District are consistent with these requirements; and,

WHEREAS, all past and planned activities are reasonable to keep school facilities open and safe for use or in their original condition and to keep their system warranties valid.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Oradell Public School District authorizes the School Business Administrator to submit the attached Comprehensive Maintenance Plan for Oradell Public School District in compliance with Department of Education requirements.

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

Mr. Walsh informed the board there will be a Virtual Delegate Assembly coming up at the end of November.

F. PERSONNEL- Mrs. Walker, Chairperson

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 **October 28, 2020**.

G. POLICY- Mrs. Levy, Chairperson

Mrs. Levy commented the policies on tonight's agenda were discussed in the last policy meeting.

Mr. Derian asked for a copy of the original remote learning policy. Mrs. Levy responded.

G1. First Reading of the following Policies:

	Policy #	Description
1	6171.2	Gifted And Talented
2	6173.1	Remote Learning

H. PUBLIC RELATIONS- Mr. Griffin, Chairperson

Mr. Griffin expressed his appreciation to everyone involved in getting information out promptly to the community.

XII. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

James Diguglieamo asked about information from the District's survey responses. Mrs. Nichols informed that it will be available on the website tomorrow.

Ms. Pizza read a statement on behalf of the OEA. Mrs. Longo and Mrs. Nichols responded.

XIII. OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Griffin expressed he would like to see NJSBA Representative Matt Lee work with the Board on the District's Goals. Also, Mr. Griffin would like the board to look into schedule adjustments for the virtual students and attestations of virtual students.

XIV. NEW BUSINESS

Mrs. Walker asked how the confirmed Covid19 cases are doing. Mrs. Levy asked how the latest confirmed Covid19 case is doing. She also commended the administration team for the notification of confirmed cases that occurred on Friday. Mrs. Levy asked if there were any plans to hire a professional cleaning service. Mr. Marmora and Mrs. Longo responded.

XV. CLOSED SESSION

A motion by Mrs. Norian, and seconded by Mr. Walsh, and carried a roll call vote of 9-0 at 8:12pm, the Board entered closed session at 8:22 pm.

WHEREAS, a matter to be considered by the Board of Education deals with the Superintendent Search, Personnel, and Safety, 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.

No action was taken.

A motion by Mr. Norian, and seconded by Mr. Walsh, and carried a roll call vote of 9-0., to exit closed session at 10:14pm.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

A motion by Mrs. Norian, and seconded by Mr. Walsh, and carried a roll call vote of 9-0, the meeting was adjourned at 10:14pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



John M. Marmora
Business Administrator/Board Secretary