

**ORADELL BOARD OF EDUCATION
ORADELL, NEW JERSEY 07649
PUBLIC WORK/BUSINESS SESSION MEETING
Oradell Public School Auditorium
September 1, 2021**

MINUTES

I. *The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. by Mrs. Norian.*

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

III. *The Sunshine Law Statement was read by Mrs. Norian.*

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. Walsh.*

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, and Mr. Walsh.

Mr. Derian, Mrs. Nichols, and Mr. Griffin were absent.

Also present were John M. Marmora, Business Administrator/Board Secretary, Megan Bozios, Superintendent, and approximately 11 members of the public via zoom.

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

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

VIII. **SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT**

Ms. Bozios reported on the welcoming events for the new staff and students, the Pandemic Task Force, the last two days of professional development, Rami setting up computers for students and staff, custodians getting the building ready and the Administrators’ leadership. She expressed her excitement for the start of the 2021-2022 School Year.

IX. BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT

Mr. Marmora thanked the custodian and maintenance staff for their hard work over the summer to get the building ready.

X. MINUTES

A motion by Mr. Walsh, seconded by Mrs. Walker, the approval of the 7/14/2021 Meeting Minutes and Board Retreat Meeting Minutes of 7/28/2021 and the review of Meeting Minutes of 8/11/2021, 7/14/2021 Minutes were approved and carried by a roll call vote of 6-0. 7/28/2021 Minutes were approved and carried by a roll call vote of 5-0. Mrs. Shapiro abstained. Mr. Derian, Mrs. Nichols, and Mr. Griffin were absent.

REVIEW OF MEETING MINUTES

- August 11, 2021 Work/Business Section

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

- July 14, 2021 Work/Business Section
- July 28, 2021 Retreat & Work/Business Section

XI. COMMITTEE REPORTS/ACTIONS

A. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

A motion by Mrs. Bhatia-Nigam, seconded by Mr. Walsh, and carried by a roll call vote of 6-0 the Board approved A1-A3. Mr. Derian, Mrs. Nichols, and Mr. Griffin were absent.

A1. Approval of District Goals- It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board of Education approves the following District Goals for SY 2021-2022:

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 30 percentage points in Mathematics.
2. Utilize data effectively to provide differentiated academic and social emotional instruction.
3. Explore ways to integrate STEM/STEAM principles and activities into the OPS environment.

A2. Approval of District Student Code of Conduct for SY 2021-2022 – It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board approves the District Student Code of Conduct for SY 2021-2022.

A3. **Approval of Parent-Student Handbook for SY 2021-2022** – It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board approves the Parent-Student Handbook for SY 2021-2022.

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

Mrs. Levy thanked the Administration for adding the mask mandate language.

A motion by Mr. Walsh, seconded by Mrs. Shapiro, and carried by a roll call vote of 6-0 the Board approved B1. Mr. Derian, Mrs. Nichols, and Mr. Griffin were absent.

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 2021-2022** in accordance with **Board Policy #1330**:

#	Organization	Event	Area of Building	Dates)	Time	Custodian OT	Facility Charge
1	Oradell Fire Department (Category A)	Fire Dept. Familiarity and Mechanical Systems of Building Drills	All Areas	08/23/21	7:30p.m. – 9:30p.m.	-\$0-	-\$0-
2	Oradell PTA (Category A)	Teacher Appreciation Back to School Breakfast	Front Lawn & Auditorium Vestibule	08/31/21	8:15a.m. - 10:00 a.m.	-\$0-	-\$0-
3	Oradell Cub Scouts (Category A)	Cub Scout Pack Meeting with Children and Parents	MPR	9/24/21 10/22/21 12/10/21	7:00p.m. – 8:30p.m.	-0-	-0-

**All organizations have been informed about the Governor’s indoor mask executive order.*

B2. **Dual Use** – It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board approves dual use application for room 233 for **SY 2021-2022**.

C. CURRICULUM- Mrs. Norian, Chairperson

Mrs. Levy reported in the 8/19/2021 Curriculum Meeting. Some topics discussed were ESSER 2 Funding and Diversity Mandate.

D. FINANCE/ TECHNOLOGY- Mrs. Shapiro, Chairperson

A motion by Mrs. Shapiro, seconded by Mr. Walsh, and carried by a roll call vote of 6-0 the Board approved D1-D10. Mrs. Mr. Derian, Mrs. Nichols, and Mr. Griffin were absent.

D1. **Hand Check Payroll Register for August 13, 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 August 13, 2021 in the amount of **\$104,407.51**.

D2. **Hand Check Payroll Register for August 30, 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 August 30, 2021 in the amount of **\$85,375.78**.

- D3. **Check Register for September 1, 2021** - It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Business Administrator/ Board Secretary, that the Board approves the disbursements on the September 1, 2021 Check Register in the amount of **\$136,261.71** check numbers **022263 - 022299**.
- D4. 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 **July 31, 2021**.
- D5. **Transfer of Funds** – It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board approves the Monthly Transfers Report as of **July 31, 2021**, 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 **July 31, 2021**., 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. **Approval of HVAC Basement Hallway Project purchase from Aspen Heating & Air Conditioning Corp.** – It is hereby moved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board approves the installation of HVAC in the Basement Hallway to Aspen Heating & Air Conditioning Corp. at the purchase price of **\$14,225**. District obtained an additional quote.
- D8. **Approval of purchase of Access Control System from Monarch Technology Solutions, LLC for the Security Project** – It is hereby moved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board approves the purchase of the Security Project Access Control System through the **PEPPM Purchasing Cooperative awarded contract #528897-284 to Monarch Technology Solutions, LLC at the purchase price of \$27,997.00 utilizing Emergency Reserve Funds**.

D9. **Approval of an agreement for Non-Public School Aid Entitlement** for St. Joseph School as follows for SY 2021-2022:

Entitlement Category	Amount
Nursing	\$8,736
Security	\$13,650
Technology	\$3,276
Textbooks	\$4,682

D10. **Approval of an Agreement for Non-Public Nursing Services** – It is hereby moved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board approves the agreement with the **Mid-Bergen Regional Health Commission** to provide non-public nursing services to St. Joseph’s students for SY 2021-2022, at an annual rate not to exceed the District’s entitlement for Non-Public Nursing aid.

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

Mr. Walsh expressed he would like to see more OPS staff could attend NJSBA workshops. Ms. Bozios said she would remind the staff at the next Administrator Meeting.

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

A motion by Mrs. Walker, seconded by Mr. Walsh, and carried by a roll call vote of 6-0 the Board approved F1. Mr. Derian, Mrs. Nichols, and Mr. Griffin were absent.

F1. It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board accepts and approves the Personnel Committee Report dated **September 1, 2021**.

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

Mrs. Levy commented on Item G1. Mrs. Bhatia-Nigam asked if this effects the State’s requirements the District’s must meet. Ms. Bozios responded.

A motion by Mrs. Levy, seconded by Mr. Walsh, and carried by a roll call vote of 6-0 the Board approved G1. Mr. Derian, Mrs. Nichols, and Mr. Griffin were absent.

G1. Abolishment of the following Policy:

Policy #	Description
6173.1	Remote Learning

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

Mrs. Bhatia-Nigam reported on the 8/23/2021 Public Relations Meeting. Topics discussed were the purviews of the committee and goals, action plan for the Board Goal-Increase Positive Communication with parents, students and community, and future efforts.

I. **COVID-19 TASK FORCE-** Mr. Griffin, Chairperson - *None*

XII. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC - None

XIII. OLD BUSINESS - None

XIV. NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Walsh asked if the vaccine has been discussed. Ms. Bozios responded Executive Order 253 and procedures were reviewed during the opening faculty meeting.

Mrs. Walker attended the Welcome Back Presentation with the OPS staff and felt excited to see the teacher engagement. The District Goals were discussed. Mrs. Levy also attended the Welcome Back Teacher Breakfast as a member of the PTA and expressed it was great experience to have that energy in person again. Mrs. Norian thanked the Administration and staff for their exemplary work getting ready for the upcoming school year.

XV. ADJOURNMENT

A motion made by Mr. Levy, and seconded by Mr. Walsh, and carried a roll call vote of 6-0, the meeting was adjourned at 7:57pm. Mr. Derian, Mrs. Nichols, and Mr. Griffin were absent.

Respectfully Submitted,



*John M. Marmora
Business Administrator/Board Secretary*