ORADELL BOARD OF EDUCATION ORADELL, NEW JERSEY 07649

SPECIAL PUBLIC BUSINESS MEETING

MINUTES MAY 2, 2000

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Closed Session of the Special Public Business Meeting of the Oradell Board of Education was called to order at 8:03 p.m. by Mrs. Chambers.

II. FLAG SALUTE

The flag salute was led by Mr. Walsh.

III. SUNSHINE LAW STATEMENT

The Sunshine Law Statement was read by Mrs. Chambers.

All requirements of the Open Public Business Meetings Law have been met for this meeting of the Board of Education of the Borough of Oradell. Notice of this meeting was filed with the Borough Clerk, posted in Borough Hall and the Oradell Free Public Library, faxed to the <u>Town News</u> and all persons requesting such notice on April 20, 2000.

IV. MISSION STATEMENT

The Mission Statement was read by Mr. Julis.

The Mission of the Oradell School District is to develop in each student strong self-esteem, ethical values, respect and an appreciation of diversity and passion for learning to enable every student to perform at his/her maximum potential through a flexible and inclusive educational system.

To accomplish this, the Board, in active collaboration with parents, staff and administration, and in partnership with the total community, will provide a comprehensive and academically challenging educational program that responds to the unique and changing needs of students and society.

Adopted by the Oradell Board of Education December 20, 1993

V. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mr. Goepel, Mr. Julis, Mrs. Lessersohn, Mrs. Norian, Mrs.

Shinevar, Mr. Walsh, Mrs. Chambers, Mrs. LaForgia

ABSENT: Mr. Spadaccini

Also present were Mrs. Karen Lake, Superintendent, Mr. John Esposito, Business Administrator/Board Secretary and Mrs. Janet Lobsenz, NJSBA Senior Field Representative.

Mrs. Janet Lobsenz, NJSBA senior field representative, provided the Board with both written and verbal reports relative to the Board's self assessment. Specific strengths, such as the area of finance, were discussed. Weaknesses such as goal setting and planning were also discussed and recommendations for improvement were suggested. It was also suggested that the Board consider participating in a Board retreat as a means of improving its ability to operate as an effective body.

Additional areas of discussion included the definition of "Old Business" and the process of nominating Board Officers. Mrs. Lobsenz provided procedural assistance to members and answered specific board member questions.

VI. CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Mrs. Norian, seconded by Mrs. LaForgia, that the Board adjourn to Closed Session at 10:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

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.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mrs. Norian, seconded by Mrs. Shinevar, that the Closed Session of the meeting be adjourned at 12:00 a.m.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Mrs. Lake discussed staffing concerns for next year (2000-2001) and made her recommendations regarding re-hires and non-renewals. Tenure recommendations were also discussed.

Mrs. Chambers also shared with the Board an update provided by Mr. Kenney, Board Attorney, concerning the status of negotiations between the District and the NJEA lawyer representing Ms. Brenner.

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