

ORADELL BOARD OF EDUCATION
ORADELL, NEW JERSEY 07649

PUBLIC WORK SESSION – FEBRUARY 12, 2003

MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Public Work Session of the Oradell Board of Education was called to order at 8:02 p.m. by Vice-President Norian.

II. FLAG SALUTE

The flag salute was led by Mr. O'Connor.

III. SUNSHINE LAW STATEMENT

The Sunshine Law Statement was read by Mrs. Norian.

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 Town News, The Record and all persons requesting such notice on February 7, 2003.

IV. MISSION STATEMENT

The Mission Statement was read by Mr. Gallow.

The Oradell Public School District, a safe and nurturing learning community dedicated to the ongoing pursuit of educational excellence, inspires life-long learning in its children through comprehensive, innovative curriculum and instruction designed to maximize student potential, develop responsible citizens, and promote respect for the uniqueness of all individuals.

Adopted by the Oradell Board of Education June 26, 2002

V. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mr. Gallow, Mr. Julis, Mr. O'Connor, Mr. Walsh, Mrs. Norian
ABSENT: Mrs. LaForgia, Mrs. Looram, Mr. Spadaccini, Mr. Feigenson

Also present were Mr. Jeffrey S. Mohre, Superintendent, Mr. John Esposito, Business Administrator/Board Secretary and one member of the public.

VI. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

There were no comments made at this time from the public.

VII. MINUTES

Mrs. Norian asked Mr. Esposito to clarify an issue from the last Building & Grounds update set forth in the Minutes of the Regular Public Business Meeting of Wednesday, January 22, 2003.

VIII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT/BOARD PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

The Superintendent stated that the District's monitoring by the state was successful and explained that a resolution was required in order to obtain the proper certification.

Mr. Mohre stated that the first Citizen's Advisory Committee group will be meeting on Tuesday, February 25 in the IMC, from 7:30 pm to 9:00 pm.

IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS/ACTION

A. BI-BOROUGH - Mrs. LaForgia, Chairperson

Mrs. LaForgia was absent and no report was given. It was noted that the next meeting is scheduled for some time in March.

B. BUILDING & GROUNDS - Mr. Walsh, Chairperson

No report was given.

C. CURRICULUM - Mrs. Norian, Chairperson

1. **Monitoring Certification** – It was moved by Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Gallow, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, in concert with the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, that the Board approve the following resolution:

The Oradell Board of Education has received notice from the Bergen County Superintendent of Schools that he has completed his evaluation of the Oradell Public School; and

WHEREAS, the County Superintendent has notified the District that he is recommending full certification to the Commissioner; and

WHEREAS, the District has sixty (60) days to make the monitoring letter public at a regular or special meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Board may waive the sixty (60) day period to accelerate certification by the State Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Oradell Board of Education hereby waives the sixty-day monitoring notification period.

ROLL CALL

Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

D. FINANCE - Mr. Spadaccini, Chairperson

Mr. Julis, in the absence of Mr. Spadaccini, reported on the Finance Committee meeting which took place prior to the Public Work Session.

E. PERSONNEL - Mr. Julis, Chairperson

1. Retroactive Approval of Student Teachers – It was moved by Mr. Julis, seconded by Mr. Walsh, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board approve the following individuals as student teachers:

- Jennifer Pecoraro, a student of William Paterson University, to perform her student teaching assignment with Mrs. Linda Masiello, cooperating teacher, commencing Wednesday, January 22, 2003 and concluding on Thursday, May 8, 2003.
- Diana Wollerman, a student of William Paterson University, to perform her student teaching assignment with Mrs. Debra Lane, cooperating teacher, commencing Wednesday, January 22, 2003 and concluding on Thursday, May 8, 2003.

ROLL CALL

Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

2. Approval of Annual Report of Persons Employed in School Aide Positions – It was moved by Mr. Julis, seconded by Mr. Walsh, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board approve the Annual Report of Persons Employed in School Aide Positions for the school year 2002-03. This report provides information in compliance with the State Board of Education Rules for persons employed as school aides, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:11-4.6.

ROLL CALL

Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

F. POLICY - Mr. Gallow, Chairperson

There was no report given.

G. PUBLIC RELATIONS - Mrs. Looram, Chairperson

X. OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Walsh inquired about certain building and grounds issues. Mrs. Norian suggested that these items be resolved by the building and grounds committee.

XI. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business discussed.

XII. CLOSED SESSION

There was no Closed Session.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Mr. Julis, seconded by Mr. O'Connor, that the meeting be adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Respectfully submitted,



John Esposito
Business Administrator/Board Secretary