

**ORADELL BOARD OF EDUCATION
ORADELL, NEW JERSEY 07649**

PUBLIC WORK SESSION – JUNE 11, 2003

MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Public Work Session of the Oradell Board of Education was called to order at 8:07 p.m. by President Feigenson.

II. FLAG SALUTE

The flag salute was led by Mr. Kramer.

III. SUNSHINE LAW STATEMENT

The Sunshine Law Statement was read by Mr. Feigenson.

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 June 6, 2003.

IV. MISSION STATEMENT

The Mission Statement was read by Mr. Julis.

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. Kramer, Mr. Spadaccini (arrived at 8:15 p.m.), Mr. Walsh, Mrs. Norian, Mr. Feigenson

ABSENT: Mr. O'Connor, Dr. Westlake

Also present were Mr. Jeffrey S. Mohre, Superintendent, Mr. John Esposito, Business Administrator/Board Secretary, Mrs. Cathie Sousa, representative from New Jersey School Boards Association and six members of the public (inclusive of four teachers, one spouse and one resident).

VI. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

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

VII. MINUTES

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Mr. Kramer, seconded by Mr. Walsh, that the Board of Education approve the Minutes of the Special Public Meeting of April 30, 2003 (7:30 PM).

ROLL CALL

Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

It was moved by Mr. Kramer, seconded by Mr. Walsh, that the Board of Education approve the Minutes of the Public Business/Reorganization Meeting of April 30, 2003.

ROLL CALL

Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

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

The Superintendent introduced Mrs. Tracey Killeen, Gifted & Talented teacher, and thanked her for making Operation Shadow a success. She talked about the program and how it had evolved into the 'problem-solving' exercise it is today. She also stated that the students had established relationships with town business owners and created photo essays highlighting the experience for display in the auditorium. Mrs. Norian praised the program and thanked Mrs. Killeen for her efforts. Mr. Mohre also thanked her for preparing the children and raising their awareness.

The Superintendent then introduced Cathie Soussa of the New Jersey School Board's Association. She conducted a school board ethics training session, as required by law. She provided informational packets and answered questions from the Board on this issue. After this discussion, Ms. Sousa handed out a summation of the Board's self-evaluation questionnaire. The results were reviewed and talked about by the Board.

Mr. Feigenson called for a short recess at 9:45 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 p.m.

Mr. Mohre stated that the Spring Concert was tomorrow night at 7:30 p.m. and invited everyone to attend. He also noted that a reception was scheduled for 3:15 p.m. also tomorrow, to honor custodian Tom Murray who will be participating in the Special Olympics in Ireland.

Mr. Feigenson told all that the next Citizen's Advisory Committee for Facilities meeting is set for June 19, 2003 at 7:30 p.m. in the IMC.

He also asked everyone to make sure they had submitted their evaluation of the Superintendent; reminded all of the July 4 parade; and said that all graduates this year would receive an Oradell commemorative pen.

IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS/ACTION

A. BI-BOROUGH – Dr. Westlake, Chairperson

Dr. Westlake was absent. It was noted that the minutes of the last meeting would be in the next Board packet.

B. BUILDING & GROUNDS – Mr. O'Connor, Chairperson

Mr. O'Connor was absent.

C. CURRICULUM – Mrs. Norian, Chairperson

Mrs. Norian stated that the committee met on June 6 and a summary of the meeting will be available in the next Board packet. The committee will discuss where the District is in standardized testing; what has occurred the past year; and what may happen in the new school year.

D. FINANCE – Mr. Spadaccini, Chairperson

No report was given.

1. Schaefer Explorations School Program 2003 Petty Cash Account – It was moved by Mr. Spadaccini, seconded by Mr. Kramer, that the Board of Education establish a petty cash account for the Schaefer Explorations Summer Program in accord with Board Policy #3451, in the amount of \$500.00. Furthermore, this account is for the use of miscellaneous purchases not to exceed the sum of \$50.00 per purchase.

ROLL CALL

Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

2. Schaefer Explorations Summer Program 2003 Stipends – It was moved by Mr. Spadaccini, seconded by Mr. Kramer, that the Board of Education approve the following staff and stipends as noted, in relation to the Schaefer Explorations Summer Program:

Employee	# of Courses	Total Stipend
Mrs. Certo	Asst. Director	\$ 3,000.00
Mrs. Certo	3	\$ 1,875.00
Mr. Ordini	3	\$ 1,875.00
Ms. Jacobs	3	\$ 1,875.00
Ms. Maklin	3	\$ 1,875.00
Ms. Wright	3	\$ 1,875.00
Mrs. Tobey	3	\$ 1,875.00
Ms. Pecoraro	3	\$ 1,875.00
Ms. Pitingolo	3	\$ 1,875.00
Mrs. Goeller	3	\$ 1,875.00
Mr. Duthie	3	\$ 1,875.00
Ms. Gumbel	3	\$ 1,875.00
Mrs. Giacomini	3	\$ 1,875.00
Ms. Pizza	2	\$ 1,250.00
Mrs. DeRobertis	3	\$ 1,875.00
Mrs. Malwitz	3	\$ 1,875.00
Mrs. Arfsten	3	\$ 1,875.00
Mr. James Salvo	3	\$ 1,875.00
Ms. Kristin Hall	3	\$ 1,875.00
Ms. Laura Conroy	2	\$ 1,250.00
Ms. Jennifer Lee, Aide	3	\$ 937.50
School Nurse	To be Determined	
	TOTAL	\$38,312.50

*Note: Per course stipend (Teacher)\$625.00
 “ “ “(Aide) \$312.50*

ROLL CALL

Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

3. Special Education School Year Tuition Contracts 2003/04 School Year – It was moved by Mr. Spadaccini, seconded by Mr. Kramer, that the Board approve in accord with Chapter 46, Title 18A, NJ Statutes, tuition to be paid for the students listed below to attend the school indicated for the full school year 2003/04 (inclusive of the extended school year) at the tuition costs indicated:

Student	Placement	Tuition
# 8	The Forum School	\$34,543.08
#18	The Forum School	\$34,543.08

#21	The Forum School	\$34,543.08
#24	The Forum School	\$34,543.08

ROLL CALL

Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

- Renewal of OT/PT Contracts with Rickard Rehabilitation Services, Inc. – It was moved by Mr. Spadaccini, seconded by Mr. Kramer, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent in concert with the Director of Special Services, that the Board approve the renewal of contracts with Rickard Rehabilitation Services, Inc., for Occupational Therapy and Physical Therapy covering the 2003/04 school year with the following fee schedule:

Initial Evaluation	-	\$260.00
Single Session	-	\$ 60.00
Session w/2 or more students	-	\$ 56.00
Session held at Clinic	-	\$ 56.00

ROLL CALL

Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

- NJ Non-Public School Technology Initiative Program Agreement – It was moved by Mr. Spadaccini, seconded by Mr. Kramer, that the Board of Education approve the NJ Non-Public School Technology Initiative Program Agreement with St. Joseph School for the 2002/2003 school year and furthermore authorize the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to execute an agreement necessary for administering the aforementioned program.

ROLL CALL

Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

- Lease Agreement with Apple Computer, Inc. – It was moved by Mr. Spadaccini, seconded by Mr. Kramer, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, in concert with the Business Administrator, that the Board approve a lease agreement with Apple Computer, Inc., for three years at an annual rate of \$15,000.00 for 59 eMacs; and furthermore, authorize the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to sign the necessary agreement and submit all associated paperwork to Apple Computer, Inc.

ROLL CALL

Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

D. PERSONNEL – Mr. Julis, Chairperson

Mr. Julis reported that a meeting is set for June 18, 2003 at 7:30 p.m. in the Board Conference Room.

1. Resignation of Instructional Aide – It was moved by Mr. Julis, seconded by Mr. Walsh, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board accept, with regret, the resignation of Josephine Cassibba as Instructional Aide, effective June 23, 2003.

ROLL CALL

Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

2. Resignation of Main Office Clerk – It was moved by Mr. Julis, seconded by Mr. Walsh, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board accept, with regret, the resignation of Sharon S. Parkins as Clerk in the Main Office, effective August 20, 2003 (to be preceded by four weeks vacation beginning July 24, 2003).

ROLL CALL

Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

3. Approval of Student Teacher Assignment – It was moved by Mr. Julis, seconded by Mr. Spadaccini, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board approve Sarah Welence, a student of Fairleigh Dickinson University, to perform her student teaching assignment with Mrs. Corinne Lynch (Technology) and Mrs. Carol Blakeslee, cooperating teachers, commencing September 2, 2003 and terminating December 23, 2003.

ROLL CALL

Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

4. Approval of Substitute Teacher(s) for the 2002/03 School Year – It was moved by Mr. Julis, seconded by Mr. Kramer, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board approve the following individual(s) as substitute teacher(s) for the 2002/03 school year, at a per diem rate of \$75.00 which increases to \$80.00 per day after the 10th day of service during the 2002/03 school year:

Amy Beutel
Lisa Japko

ROLL CALL

Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

5. Certificated Staff, Non-Tenured – It was moved by Mr. Julis, seconded by Mrs. Norian, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the following certificated, non-tenured staff member(s) be approved for employment for the 2003/04 school year and be awarded tenure, effective September 2, 2003:

Melissa Pizza

ROLL CALL

Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

F. POLICY – Mr. Gallow, Chairperson

Mr. Gallow said a meeting is scheduled for July 8, 2003 at 7:30 p.m. in the Board Conference Room.

G. PUBLIC RELATIONS – Mr. Kramer, Chairperson

Mr. Feigenson replaced Mr. Kramer as chairperson with Mr. Walsh. There was no report.

X. OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Walsh asked about the PTA window screen project.

XI. NEW BUSINESS

The condition of the school grounds was discussed by the Board. Mr. Esposito assured all that the school would be in good shape for Sixth grade graduation.

Mr. Mohre stated that he was looking for a part-time technical person to help with our network.

XII. CLOSED SESSION

It was moved by Mr. Spadaccini, seconded by Mr. Kramer, 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.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Mr. Spadaccini, seconded by Mrs. Norian, that the meeting be adjourned at 10:57 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Respectfully submitted,



John Esposito
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

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**CLOSED PUBLIC WORK SESSION – JUNE 11, 2003
MINUTES**

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Closed Public Work Session of the Oradell Board of Education was called to order at 10:35 p.m. by President Feigenson.

II. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mr. Gallow, Mr. Julis, Mr. Kramer, Mr. Spadaccini, Mr. Walsh,
Mrs. Norian, Mr. Feigenson

ABSENT: Mr. O'Connor, Dr. Westlake

Also present were Mr. Jeffrey Mohre, Superintendent and Mr. John Esposito, Business Administrator/Board Secretary.

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.

Mr. Mohre reviewed the reasons for the discussion regarding a non-tenured teacher, Ms. Pizza. He detailed the process for evaluation and recommended she be hired as a primary grade teacher.

Also discussed was a request from Mr. Heinzer for a one year leave of absence which the Board approved.

MOTION It was moved by Mr. Spadaccini, seconded by Mr. Kramer, that the Board return to public session at 10:50 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

The Board reconvened in Public Session at 10:55 p.m.

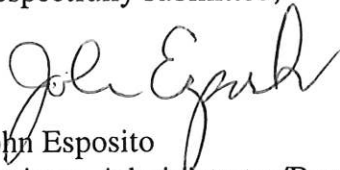
III. ADJOURNMENT

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ROLL CALL

Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Respectfully submitted,



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