ORADELL BOARD OF EDUCATION ORADELL, NEW JERSEY 07649

PUBLIC WORK SESSION – APRIL 13, 2005

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 President Feigenson.

II. FLAG SALUTE

The flag salute was led by Dr. Westlake.

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 <u>Town News</u>, <u>The Record</u> and all persons requesting such notice on April 8, 2005.

IV. MISSION STATEMENT

The Mission Statement was read by Mr. Walsh.

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. Halligan, Mr. Kramer, Mr. O'Connor, Mr. Spadaccini, Mr. Walsh, Dr. Westlake, Mrs. Norian, Mr. Feigenson

Also present were Mr. Jeffrey S. Mohre, Superintendent, Ms. Nancy M. Ciavaglia, Business Administrator/Board Secretary, two teachers from OPS and one member of the community.

VI. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

VII. MINUTES

REVIEW OF MINUTES

There were no Minutes ready for review.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Mrs. Norian, seconded by Mr. Spadaccini, that the Board of Education approve the Minutes of the March 2, 2005 Public Work Session Meeting and the Closed Minutes of the 7:30 p.m. meeting held the same date.

ROLL CALL

Motion carried by roll call vote with three abstentions (Mr. Gallow, Mr. O'Connor and Mrs. Norian).

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

Superintendent Jeffrey S. Mohre reported the following:

- OPS was selected by NJSBA as one of 13 school districts having outstanding practices in Special Education. The District will receive the NJSBA Innovations in Special Education Award at their May luncheon/ceremony in Princeton, NJ.
- OPS students participated in Poetry Week, making poetry an integral part of school, and will continue next week with a visit by author and poet, Douglas Florian.
- Election day is April 19, 2005, and all registered voters are encouraged to vote.
- The Board's self-evaluation questionnaires have been disseminated to all Board Members and will need to be returned to Board Secretary, Nancy Ciavaglia, by April 20th.

Mr. Feigenson, Board President, asked Mr. O'Connor for an update on the bleachers.

Mr. O'Connor reported that he has verbal offers from Oradell Kids Foundation of \$2500 and the Oradell Little League of \$4500 for donations for new bleachers.

IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS/ACTION

A. BI-BOROUGH - Dr. Westlake, Chairperson

Dr. Westlake stated that a committee meeting is being planned for the 1st or 2nd week in May.

- B. BUILDING & GROUNDS Mr. Gallow, Chairperson
 No report was given.
- C. CURRICULUM Mrs. Norian, Chairperson
- D. FINANCE Mr. Spadaccini, Chairperson
- Acceptance of Extraordinary Aid, FY' 04/05 Funds It was moved by Mr. Spadaccini, seconded by Mr. Kramer, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board acknowledge receipt of the sum of \$45,168.00 representing funds received from the NJ Department of Education for Extraordinary Aid in Accordance with Section 19 (b.) of P.L. 1996, Chapter 138, "Comprehensive Educational Improvement and Financing Act of 1996", N.J.S.A. 18A:7F-19 (b).

ROLL CALL

Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

2. Acceptance of FY' 05 No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB) Funds – It was moved by Mr. Spadaccini, seconded by Mr. Karmer, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board approve receipt of the following FY'05 funding awards:

Title II – Part A	\$25,524.00
Title IV	\$ 3,714.00
Title V	\$ 5,654.00

Furthermore, the Board hereby authorizes the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to complete and sign all pertinent documentation for receipt of the aforementioned funding allocations and submit the same to the State Department of Education, Bergen County Office.

ROLL CALL

Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

- E. PERSONNEL Mr. O'Connor, Chairperson
- 1. Approval of Substitute Teacher(s) for the 2004/05 School Year It was moved by Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Kramer, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board approve the

appointment of the following individual(s) as teacher substitute(s) for the 2004/05 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 2004/05 school year:

Jennifer Powers

ROLL CALL

Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

F. POLICY - Mr. Kramer, Chairperson

Mr. Walsh questioned when the dress code policy would be addressed. He referenced a petition that the teachers had submitted to the Board in July, 2004 and recalled how the matter had been referred to the Principal for follow-up. He stated that it was his recollection that the petition was for all seasons and covered adults and students.

Mr. Kramer stated a committee meeting is planned for late April, early May.

- G. PUBLIC RELATIONS Mr. Halligan, Chairperson No report was given.
- H. NJSBA/BCASBA DELEGATE REPORT Mr. Walsh, Delegate Mr. Walsh advised that the Assembly and Senate bills to repeal portions of \$1701 are both stuck in committee.

X. OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Mohre gave an update on the building construction.

Mr. Walsh raised concerns regarding the proposed roof replacement project and asked about current warranties on the two most recent roofing jobs.

Ms. Ciavaglia stated that she was still in the process of researching the matter and would report back to the Board. She noted that with roofing warranties, work initiated by the school by anyone other than the original contractor could void any existing warranties.

XI. NEW BUSINESS

Ms. Ciavaglia reported on the SCC's temporary halt to granting Section 15 Grant Agreements for school construction projects.

XII. CLOSED SESSION

There was no Closed Session.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Mr. Kramer, seconded by Mrs. Norian, that the meeting be adjourned at 9:00 p.m..

ROLL CALL

Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Respectfully submitted,

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Nancy M. Ciavaglia

Business Administrator/Board Secretary