

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

**REGULAR BUSINESS SESSION MEETING
December 14, 2005**

MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Public Business Meeting of the Oradell Board of Education was called to order at 8:05 PM 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 President 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.

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 (arrived at 8:08 p.m.), Mr. Kramer, Mr. Walsh, Mr. Feigenson, Mr. O'Connor, Dr. Westlake

ABSENT: Mr. Halligan, Mrs. Norian, Mr. Spadaccini

Also present were Mr. Jeffrey S. Mohre, Superintendent, Ms. Nancy M Ciavaglia, Business Administrator/Board Secretary, Mr. Mal Kenney, Board Attorney, three members of the public and two OPS teachers.

VI. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

There were no comments at this time.

VII. MINUTES

REVIEW OF MINUTES

Regular Business Session Meeting of Wednesday, November 30, 2005

Closed Session Meeting of Wednesday, November 30, 2005.

There were no comments from Board Members on these minutes.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Mr. Kramer, seconded by Dr. Westlake, that the Board approves the Minutes of the Public Work Session Meeting of Wednesday, November 16, 2005, Closed Session Meetings (2), Wednesday, November 16, 2005, and the Special Public Business Meeting Tuesday, November 22, 2005

ROLL CALL

Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

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

The Oradell Public School choral students performed a holiday concert at Paramus Park Mall on December 14, 2005. The children did a fine job and we acknowledge their efforts and those of their teachers, Ms. Richardi and Mr. Butcher.

The staff and administration have finalized plans for the delivery of an in-service workshop series on designing media projects using digital photography. The workshops will begin in January and will be facilitated by OPS' own Mrs. Lynch and Mrs. Killeen.

We are in the process of finalizing plans regarding the mold remediation effort of our crawl spaces. Two companies viewed specifications and toured the site. We anticipate that both will submit quotes later this week and plan to begin the project on or after December 23rd.

The administration learned that we will not lose any of our parking lots next week. However, there is a good possibility that both the Center and Church Street lots will be gone when we return on January 3rd, 2006. Mr. Mohre would be hearing from the Oradell Police regarding the best on street parking sites and will communicate such to the faculty.

In addition, an **ORANGE** faculty/community construction bulletin was sent home with the children. The bulletin is tabbed **Building Blocks** and will be issued to faculty and community throughout the duration of the project.

Seyffer & Koch, our architectural firm, received a copy of a letter that the Oradell construction official, Stephen Depken, sent to DCA stating that he will not be able to do the plan review as he is going on a four (4) month leave and his replacement is not qualified to do the review. Mr. Depken has no objections to the district finding another local code official to do the review (permits and inspections will still be through Oradell). Seyffer & Koch have a good working relationship with the code officials in Montvale and in Paramus and they will be contacted. Once the firm finds someone to do the review, it will need a new release form from the DCA and will submit the sealed drawings to the reviewer. By Thursday, Seyffer & Koch should have someone lined up to review the drawing and send over a copy of the form for the reviewer signatures. Upon DCA approval, the reviewer will begin the review of the drawings. Whichever town ends up reviewing the project will have to be paid a review fee.

Mr. Mohre received a copy of a letter sent to Mr. Feigenson dated December 12, 2005. Apparently there is still some frustration regarding the incident that occurred at our school the week of October 10th. Mr. Mohre asked that the record reflect that the school board and administration will continue to take seriously any acts or threats of violence in order to maintain a safe environment for our students and staff. Mr. Mohre stated that the district will remain open to engaging any and all resources in order to assist the school district.

IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS/ACTION

- A. BI-BOROUGH - Dr. Westlake, Chairperson
Representatives from the (3) Boards of Education met on December 1, 2005 and are in support of engaging the services of a Joint Curriculum Coordinator.
- B. BUILDING & GROUNDS - Mr. O'Connor, Chairperson
A meeting is scheduled after January 1, 1006.
- C. CURRICULUM - Mrs. Norian, Chairperson
No Report
- D. FINANCE - Mr. Spadaccini, Chairperson
 - 1. Approval of NCLB Carry-Over FY 2004— It is hereby moved by Mr. Kramer, seconded by Dr. Westlake, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board approve the NCLB (No Child Left Behind) Title II-A (Non-Public) 2004/05 Carry-Over funds in the amount of \$3,616.00 to the 2005/2006 school year.

ROLL CALL

Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

2. Award Emergency Roof Repair Contract - It is hereby moved by Mr. Kramer, seconded by Dr. Westlake, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board awards an emergency roof repair contract to Cipollini Roofing to make temporary repairs to the roofs of OPS in December 2005. This repair contract is being awarded without NJ Public Contracting bidding procedures due to its emergency status, as concurred by the NJDOE State Facilities Section and by the NJDOE County BA's office. The cost of the repairs will cost \$50/manhour plus materials.

ROLL CALL

Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

3. Execution of Mold Remediation Contract – It is hereby moved by Mr. Kramer, seconded by Dr. Westlake, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board of Education authorizes its President to execute an emergency contract for mold remediation, as outlined in the specifications by Karl Associates. This mold remediation contract is being awarded without NJ Public Contracting bidding procedures due to its emergency status, as concurred by the NJDOE State Facilities Section and by the NJDOE County BA's office. The contract will be ratified at the next board of education meeting.

ROLL CALL

Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

E. PERSONNEL – Mr. Gallow, Chairperson

1. Leave of Absence – It is hereby moved by Mr. Kramer, seconded by Dr. Westlake, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board approve an extended leave of absence for Mrs. Kristin Terzano effective on or about March 31, 2006 through June 5, 2006.

ROLL CALL

Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

2. Approval of Student Teacher – It is hereby moved, by Mr. Kramer, seconded by Dr. Westlake, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board approve the following individual as a student teacher for the 2005/2006 school year:

- Jessica L. Jacobson, a student at William Patterson University, to perform her student teacher assignment with Mrs. Gail Tobey, commencing on January 19, 2006-May 5, 2006.

ROLL CALL

Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

3. Approval of Lunchroom Aide(s) for the 2005/06 School Year – It is hereby moved, by Mr. Kramer, seconded by Dr. Westlake, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board approve the appointment of the following individual(s) as lunchroom aide(s) for the 2005/06 school year at an hourly wage of \$13.50 during the 2005/06 school year:

Judy Parkes

ROLL CALL

Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

F. POLICY – Mr. Kramer, Chairperson

1. Approval of Policy – It is hereby moved, by Mr. Kramer, seconded by Dr. Westlake, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board approve the following policies for a second reading:

#9250b1 - Expenses – Non Abbotts

#1330 - Use of School Facilities

ROLL CALL

Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

G. PUBLIC RELATIONS - Mr. Halligan, Chairperson

- #### **H. NJSBA/BCSBA DELEGATE REPORT – Mr. Walsh, Delegate**
- Mr. Walsh reported that on February 7, 2006, a legislative trip to Washington D.C. is scheduled and asked if the Board would allow him to attend, but not overnight. On a motion by Mr. Kramer, seconded by Dr. Westlake, the board approved Mr. Walsh to attend the legislative conference in Washington, D.C. not to include overnight expenses.

X. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Mr. Steve Gellis spoke about the contributions to the Bergenfield fire victims, and asked about installing a PA system or moving the audience closer during board meetings.

Ms. Tomasina Schwarz asked about recess in Memorial Field during the building project.
Mr. Gellis asked about the cost for the roof repair.

XI. OLD BUSINESS

The following issues were discussed:

- Dismantling of the playground.
- Location of the pod for storage of OPS playground.

XII. NEW BUSINESS

Discussion regarding the start date for first day of school for 2006. Consensus was for OPS to follow River Dell Regional.

Mr. Walsh spoke about the Bergenfield fire and gave out the address for donations for victims' families.

XIII. CLOSED SESSION

There was no closed session.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

It is hereby moved by Mr. Kramer, seconded by Dr. Westlake that the meeting be adjourned at 8:44 PM.

ROLL CALL

Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Respectfully submitted,



Nancy Ciavaglia, CPA

Business Administrator/Board Secretary