

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

**REGULAR PUBLIC BUSINESS MEETING
OCTOBER 19, 2005**

MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Public Business Meeting of the Oradell Board of Education was called to order at 8:06 PM by President Feigenson.

II. FLAG SALUTE

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

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 within the forty-eight hours prescribed by law with the Borough Clerk, posted in Borough Hall and the Oradell Free Public Library, faxed to 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, 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, Mr. Scott Ryan, Principal, Mrs. Jackie Frangis, Assistant Principal, Dr. John DiGiovachino, Director of Special Services, Girl Scout Troup 325, and approximately 24 members of the community.

VI. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

There were no comments at this time.

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

This evening's report will feature a presentation of the 2004—2005 Quality Assurance Annual Report; standardized and State assessment data; and a statement regarding violence and vandalism as required by law.

Mr. Mohre, Mr. Ryan, Mrs. Frangis, Ms. Ciavaglia, and Dr. DiGiovachino presented the 2004-2005 Quality Assurance Annual Report (QAAR) and the results of the District's spring testing program to the Board and Public. As part of the QAAR report, Mr. Mohre reported the following, verbatim, regarding violence and vandalism:

The State of New Jersey requires that public school districts report all acts of violence and vandalism that occurred in the school district during the previous school year. Such information must be shared at a public hearing in October of each year. I am pleased to report that Oradell Public School was violence and vandalism-free during the 2004-2005 school year. Oradell Public School will continue to implement character education programming that compliments the child-rearing efforts of our students' parents. We are all to be commended for promoting a responsible student citizenry here in Oradell.

There was a single comment made by a member of the public regarding the information reported on violence and vandalism; specifically, a comment regarding incident reporting.

There were a series of questions posed by the public and Board regarding school programming and testing data for the 2004-2005 school year.

Mr. Mohre addressed all questions. Mrs. Frangis joined him in responding to one question regarding parent education programming.

President Alan Feigenson welcomed Girl Scout Troop 325 who was fulfilling one of their requirements to attain the Girl Scout Gold Award. He reported that Supt. Mohre, OPS Architect Charles Koch, and he requested of the Town Council that they relax the Town ordinance concerning construction times for the upcoming OPS roof replacement projects. The Council agreed to allow work to continue until 10 p.m. so that work would not have to be conducted during school hours. President Feigenson also reported that June 22, 2006, was set for 6th Grade Graduation and that June 23, 2006, would be the last day of school. Lastly, he reported that Ray Crispino of Turner Construction will give a presentation at the November 15, 2005, PTA meeting on school safety during construction.

VIII. MINUTES

REVIEW OF MINUTES

Regular Public Business Meeting of Wednesday, September 28, 2005

There were no comments from Board Members on these minutes.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Mr. Kramer, seconded by Mr. Spadacinni, that the Board of Education approve the Minutes of the Public Work Session Meeting of Wednesday, September 7, 2005.

ROLL CALL

Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS/ACTION

- A. BI-BOROUGH – Dr. Westlake, Chairperson
November 9, 2005 is the next scheduled meeting. Mr. O'Connor asked about the grant regarding police presence in River Edge and Oradell. The Committee discussed professional development and curriculum models.
- B. BUILDING & GROUNDS – Mr. O'Connor, Chairperson
1. Revision to the Long Range Facility Plan for Year 2000 – It was moved by Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Kramer, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, in concert with the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, that the Board approve a revision to the Oradell Board of Education's 2000 Long Range Facility Plan as follows:
 - adjust the Oradell Public School Model to 4,188 gross square feet smaller than was approved at the time of schematic approval and
 - adjust the weighted area allowance to 120.37 gross square feet per student, even though 126.35 gross square feet is required based on the school's grade levels and will require a waiver from the New Jersey Department of Education (a commitment has already been received from the Dept. of Education for this waiver)

ROLL CALL

Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

2. Comprehensive Maintenance Plan 2005/06 School Year –

It was moved by Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Kramer, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, in concert with the Business Administrator, that the Board approve the District's list of required maintenance activities as reasonable to keep the school open and safe and maintain the validity of existing warranties; and furthermore, authorize the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to submit the Comprehensive Maintenance Plan to the State for approval as part of the QAAR.

ROLL CALL

Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

3. Retroactive approval of Oradell Public School Emergency/Crisis Management Plan— It was moved by Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Kramer, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board retroactively approve to June 30, 2005, the Oradell Public School Emergency/Crisis Management Plan as developed in cooperation with the Oradell Police Department.

ROLL CALL

Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

4. Approval of Emergency Crisis Management Plan for 2005/06 – It was moved by Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Kramer, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board approve the Oradell Public School Emergency/Crisis Management Plan for the school year 2005/06.

ROLL CALL

Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

C. CURRICULUM – Mrs. Norian, Chairperson

1. Approval of Trip to Sharpe Reservation – It was moved by Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Kramer, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board approve a trip for all fifth graders to the Sharpe Reservation, Camp Hidden Valley, Fishkill, NY from Wednesday, November 2, 2005 to Friday, November 4, 2005.

ROLL CALL

Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

2. Submission of Quality Assurance Annual Report (QAAR) SY 2004/2005- It was moved by Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Kramer, upon the

recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board accept and approve the submission of the District's QAAR for the 2004/2005 school year to the New Jersey Department of Education, Bergen County Office.

ROLL CALL

Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

- D. FINANCE – Mr. Spadaccini, Chairperson
Reported that the next committee meeting is scheduled on November 16, 2005 prior to the regular board meeting.
1. Payment of Invoices – It was moved by Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Kramer that the invoices for the period September 28, 2005 through October 19, 2005 be approved as follows:

Fund 11 (<i>General Current Expense</i>)	\$ 703,031.32
Fund 20 (<i>Special Revenue Funds</i>)	\$ 41,071.83
Fund 30 (<i>Capital Projects Funds</i>)	\$ 287,767.10
Fund 40 (<i>Debt Service Fund</i>)	\$ 405,295.73
Fund 63 (<i>Schaefer Explorations</i>)	\$ 2,370.07
Fund 65 (<i>Park Academy</i>)	\$ <u>22,817.30</u>
TOTAL	\$1,462,353.35

ROLL CALL

Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

2. Renewal of Membership in the Alliance for Competitive Energy Services (ACES) for the 2005/06 School Year – It was moved by Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Kramer, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, in concert with the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, that the Board join the Alliance for Competitive Energy Services (ACES) as a participating member for the 2005/06 school year, thus enabling the District to obtain natural gas supplies as part of a cooperative bid with other government entities.

ROLL CALL

Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

3. Approval of Special Education School Year Tuition Contract(s) 2005/06 School Year – It was moved by Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Kramer, that the Board approve in accord with Chapter 46, Title 18A, NJ Statutes, tuition to be paid for the student(s) listed below to attend the school(s)

indicated for the school year 2005/06, commencing October 3, 2005, (inclusive of the extended school year, unless otherwise noted), at the tuition cost(s) indicated:

<u>Student</u>	<u>Placement</u>	<u>Tuition</u>
#48	Bergen Ctr. for Child Development	\$38,784.00*

*pro-rated to \$31,104.00 for SY 05/06

ROLL CALL

Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

- E. PERSONNEL – Mr. Gallow, Chairperson
The committee needs to schedule a meeting to conduct the Superintendent's evaluation.
1. Approval of Substitute Custodian for the 2005/06 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 as a substitute custodian for the 2005/06 school year, at an hourly wage of \$15.00/hr.:

Giulio Villiani

ROLL CALL

Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

2. Approval of Substitute Teacher(s) for the 2005/06 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 2005/06 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 2005/06 school year:

Kyle Lezette

ROLL CALL

Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

3. Approval of Lunchroom Aide(s) for the 2005/06 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 lunchroom aide(s) for the

2005/06 school year at an hourly wage of \$13.50 during the 2005/06 school year:

Bernadette A. Varga

ROLL CALL

Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

4. Approval of Substitute Teachers(s) for the 2005/06 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 2005/06 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 2005/06 school year:

Ellen McCourt
Tanya D. Mendes

ROLL CALL

Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

4. Approval of Lunchroom Aide Substitute for the 2005/2006 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 lunchroom aide substitute(s) for the 2005/06 school year, at an hourly wage of \$13.50 during the 2005/06 school year:

Denise Pallotta

ROLL CALL

Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

- 6 Appointment of Secretary to the Business Administrator/Board Secretary – It was moved by Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Kramer, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board approve the appointment of Barbara Barbagallo, as Secretary to the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, for the 2005/06 School Year, at the annual salary of \$46,750.00*, pro-rated, to be paid in equal semi-monthly installments, commencing on or after November 2, 2005, through June 30, 2006. *This includes a \$500 School Board Referendum Stipend and a \$1,250 Park Academy Administration Stipend (not included in the base salary). These stipends are to be pro-rated.

ROLL CALL

Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

F. **POLICY** – Mr. Kramer, Chairperson

At the November meeting, there will be two upcoming policies.

G. **PUBLIC RELATIONS** – Mr. Halligan, Chairperson

The monthly publication "Building Blocks" will continue. An advertisement will be forthcoming in November regarding a ground-breaking ceremony for the construction project.

H. **NJSBA/BCSBA DELEGATE REPORT** – Mr. Walsh, Chairperson

The Dollars & Sense meeting was held tonight on "Bergen County United" regarding equitable funding of schools.

X. **OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

Approximately thirteen parents of OPS students expressed their concerns over the recent incident involving a student suspension. Questions were raised about OPS policies and procedures.

XI. **OLD BUSINESS**

The following issues were discussed:

- Playground equipment storage, dismantling and code compliance.
- New copier lease.
- Schaeffer Explorations venue for summer 2006.
- Fire alarm system.
- Improving test scores.
- School mascot.

XII. **NEW BUSINESS**

XIII. **CLOSED SESSION (IF NECESSARY)**

It was moved by Mr. Kramer, seconded by Mr. O'Connor, that the Board adjourn to Closed Session.

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.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mrs. Norian, that the meeting be adjourned at 11:45 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Respectfully submitted,



Nancy M. Ciavaglia, CPA

Business Administrator/Board Secretary

