## ORADELL BOARD OF EDUCATION ORADELL, NEW JERSEY 07649

## **PUBLIC WORK SESSION – FEBRUARY 8, 2006**

# **MINUTES**

## I. CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Public Business Meeting of the Oradell Board of Education was called to order at 8:03 p.m. by President Feigenson.

## II. FLAG SALUTE

The flag salute was led by Mr. Gallow.

## 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 <u>Town News</u>, <u>The Record</u> 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. Spadaccini, Mr.

Walsh, Mrs. Norian.

ABSENT: Mr. O'Connor, Dr. Westlake, Mr. Feigenson

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

#### VI. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

There were no comments from the public.

#### VII. MINUTES

#### **REVIEW OF MINUTES**

Regular Public Business Session Meeting and Closed Session Meeting of January 25, 2006.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It is hereby moved by Mr. Kramer, seconded by Mrs. Norian, that the Board of Education approve the Minutes of the Work Session Meeting and Closed Session Meeting of January 11, 2006.

#### **ROLL CALL**

Ayes: Gallow, Kramer, Norian, Spadaccini, Walsh,

Nays: None Abstain: Halligan

Absent: O'Connor, Westlake, Feigenson

#### VIII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Plan Review and Building Permit Update: The plan review has been completed by Montvale. Per the district's architect, Seyffer & Koch, one last comment was issued by the electrical code official which was addressed and revisions were promptly made to one of the drawings.

In an effort to expedite the process, Ms. Martin, Site Manager, Turner Construction, traveled to Seyffer & Koch's office to pick up the last revised drawing and deliver it along with the original permit applications to Montvale for their inspectors to sign off.

## **Update on District and Personal Goals:**

The Board will receive updates as to the progress made on district goals as part of the next Board packet as well as information about the progress made toward administrative personal/bonus goals.

## We're in the Money!..

PNC Bank is sponsoring this year's Fifth Grade Stock Market Game, thus saving the district \$650.00.

Provident Savings Bank will be awarding OPS approximately \$450.00 based on our students' efforts in the bank's 2-5 summer reading program.

#### Correction

Please note that at the last Board meeting, it was reported that Policy 5131 was posted on the district's web-site in 2003. The policy was in fact posted for September 2005 as part of the district's annual summer web-site update.

Mrs. Norian called for a consent agenda with the following exceptions: D.2, D.6, D.7, D.8.

## IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS/ACTION

- A. BI-BOROUGH Dr. Westlake, Chairperson
- B. BUILDING & GROUNDS Mr. O' Connor, Chairperson Mr. Spadaccini asked for a joint OPS/Council meeting to discuss the traffic situation during the building project.
- C. CURRICULUM Mrs. Norian, Chairperson
  The committee met on February 2, 2006 and discussed the following:
  - Newly revised curriculum
  - Assessment cohort
  - OPS book study
  - committee for children
- D. FINANCE Mr. Spadaccini, Chairperson
  The next finance committee meetings are scheduled for 2/15/06 and 2/25/06.
- 1. Payment of February 2006 Bills/Invoices It is hereby moved by Mr. Kramer, seconded by Mr. Walsh, that the Board of Education authorizes the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to pay bills during the month of February 2006 with retroactive approval at the next scheduled Regular Public Business Meeting of the Oradell Board of Education.

### **ROLL CALL**

Ayes: Gallow, Halligan Kramer, Norian, Spadaccini, Walsh,

Nays: None

Absent: O'Connor, Westlake, Feigenson

2. Renewal of Membership- It is hereby moved by Mr. Spadaccini, seconded by Mr. Kramer, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, in concert with the Business Administrator, that the Board appoints Fenner & Esler Agency, Inc as the Risk Management Consultant for the Oradell Public School, and approves an agreement between Fenner & Esler and the Oradell Board of Education for the period of 7/1/06 – 6/30/09 at a total cost of 6% of the annual assessment of the NESBIG fund.

Mr. Halligan asked for the total amount of the agreement with Fenner & Esler.

#### ROLL CALL

Ayes: Gallow, Halligan Kramer, Norian, Spadaccini, Walsh,

Nays: None

## Absent: O'Connor, Westlake, Feigenson

3. Annual School Election – It is hereby moved by Mr. Kramer, seconded by Mr. Walsh, that the following Election and Budget Timetable be approved as follows:

Deadline for Filing Nominating Petitions

Mon., Feb. 27, 2006 – 4:00 PM

Last Day to File Objections to Candidates'

Fri., March 3, 2006

Petitions

Last Day for Candidates to Withdraw/Amend

Mon., March 6, 2006

**Defective Petitions** 

Drawing for Position on Ballot (Board Conference Room)

Wed., March 8, 2006 - 4:00 PM

ANNUAL SCHOOL ELECTION

Tues., April 18, 2006 2:00PM – 9:00 PM

#### **ROLL CALL**

Ayes: Gallow, Halligan Kramer, Norian, Spadaccini, Walsh,

Nays: None

Absent: O'Connor, Westlake, Feigenson

- 4. Approval of Special Services- It is hereby moved by Mr. Kramer, seconded by Mr. Walsh, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, in concert with the Director of Special Services, that the Board retroactively approves the following special services for the student listed below for the 2005/06 school year:
  - OT services for student #27, provided by Region III, in the amount of \$2,090.00 (at \$55.00 per session, 1 session per week) from 9/1/05 -6/30/06.

#### **ROLL CALL**

Ayes: Gallow, Halligan Kramer, Norian, Spadaccini, Walsh,

Nays: None

Absent: O'Connor, Westlake, Feigenson

5. Special Education Tuition Contracts for Incoming Students for School Year 2005/06 – It is hereby moved by Mr. Kramer, seconded by Mr. Walsh, that the Board retroactively approves in accord with Chapter 46, Title 18A, NJ Statutes, receiving the students listed below, to attend the Oradell Public School Special Education L/LD classes, for the full school year 2005/06 at the tuition costs indicated:

Student

**Tuition** 

RO 1-04(Rochelle Park)

\$26,936.56

#### ROLL CALL

Ayes: Gallow, Halligan Kramer, Norian, Spadaccini, Walsh,

Nays: None

Absent: O'Connor, Westlake, Feigenson

6. Acceptance of Mini Grant Funds – It is hereby moved by Mr. Spadaccini, seconded by Mr. Walsh, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board approve the acceptance of mini grant funds from the Oradell Kids Foundation, Inc. for the 2005-2006 school year in the amounts listed:

Kindergarten	- Ecology	\$ 500.00
Grade 1	- BPAC – "Story Salad"	\$ 750.00
Grade 2	- Flat Rock Brook -Admission Only	\$ 495.00
Grade 3	- Newark Museum-Electricity Program	\$ 650.00
Grade 5	- Day in the Life-Revolutionary War Soldier	\$ 750.00
Grade 6	- Civil War Soldier-Re-enactment	\$ 350.00
	TOTAL	\$3,495.00

Mr. Mohre publicly acknowledged the energy and enthusiasm of OK Kids for their contribution to our students. Board discussion followed.

#### ROLL CALL

Ayes: Gallow, Halligan Kramer, Norian, Spadaccini, Walsh,

Nays: None

Absent: O'Connor, Westlake, Feigenson

7. Acceptance of PTA Mini-Grant Funds – It is hereby moved by Mr. Kramer, seconded by Mr. Spadaccini, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board approves the acceptance of mini grant funds for the 2005-2006 school year from the Oradell Parent Teachers Association in the amounts listed below:

•	IMC	\$500.00
•	Fifth Grade Presentation	\$175.00
•	Second Grade Field Trip	\$750.00

## **ROLL CALL**

Ayes: Gallow, Halligan Kramer, Norian, Spadaccini, Walsh,

Nays: None

Absent: O'Connor, Westlake, Feigenson

8. Approval of Change Order for Alarm System – It is hereby moved by Mr. Kramer, seconded by Mr. Spadaccini, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, in concert with the Business Administrator, that the Board authorizes the Business Administrator to approve the Referendum 2004 change order for pending fire alarm installation to allow for second shift differential, not to exceed \$35,000.00. Change order will be retroactively approved at the next board meeting.

#### ROLL CALL

Ayes: Gallow, Halligan Kramer, Norian, Spadaccini, Walsh,

Nays: None

Absent: O'Connor, Westlake, Feigenson

E. PERSONNEL - Mr. Gallow, Chairperson

1. Approval of Student Teacher – It is hereby moved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board approve the following individual as a student teacher for the 2005/2006 school year (this resolution serves to correct the resolution of January 25, 2006):

Mrs. Lori Winters, a student at Ramapo College, to perform her student teacher assignment with Ms. Kim Lezette, fourth grade, commencing on January 30, 2006-May 12, 2006.

#### **ROLL CALL**

Ayes: Gallow, Halligan Kramer, Norian, Spadaccini, Walsh,

Nays: None

Absent: O'Connor, Westlake, Feigenson

2. Retroactive Approval of Replacement Teacher- It is hereby moved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board retroactively approve the appointment of Marlyn Cabrera as a replacement teacher effective January 3, 2006 – April 30, 2006 at a salary of \$ 37,900.00 (to be prorated for the period) at BA+15, Step 3, of the 2005-2006 Teachers Salary Guide.

### **ROLL CALL**

Ayes: Gallow, Halligan Kramer, Norian, Spadaccini, Walsh,

Nays: None

Absent: O'Connor, Westlake, Feigenson

3. Substitute Teacher(s) for the 2005/06 School Year – It is hereby moved Mr. Kramer, seconded by Mr. Walsh, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board approves the following individual(s) as substitute teacher(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.

Marianne Winston Sarah Krieger

#### ROLL CALL

Ayes: Gallow, Halligan Kramer, Norian, Spadaccini, Walsh,

Navs: None

Absent: O'Connor, Westlake, Feigenson

- F. POLICY Mr. Kramer, Chairperson
  The committee met this evening. Mr. Mohre and Ms. Ciavaglia will attend a
  seminar on the Wellness Policy.
- G. PUBLIC RELATIONS Mr. Halligan, Chairperson Information will be disseminated on the budget as soon as it is available.
- H. NJSBA/BCSBA DELEGATE REPORT Mr. Walsh, Delegate Mr. Walsh will attend the NJSBA Legislative Conference in Trenton on March 6, 2006.

#### X. OLD BUSINESS

Discussion of the need to ask the Oradell Borough to extend construction hours during the roof repairs tentatively scheduled for mid-spring.

## XI. NEW BUSINESS

The following were discussed:

- School Calendar for 2006-2007.
- Cancel the meeting for February 15, 2006. It was moved by Mr.
   Kramer, seconded by Mr. Spadaccini that the Board cancel the February 15, 2006 meeting. Motion passed Mr. Walsh voted no.

## XII. CLOSED SESSION (IF NECESSARY)

It is hereby moved by Mr. Kramer, seconded by Mr. Spadaccini that the Board adjourn to Closed Session at 9:25 p.m.

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 is hereby moved by Mr. Kramer, seconded by Mr. Spadaccini that the Board adjourn at 9:45 p.m..

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy M. Ciavaglia, CPA

Business Administrator/Board Secretary