

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

**REGULAR PUBLIC SESSION – February 28, 2007  
MINUTES**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The Public Work Session Meeting of the Oradell Board of Education was called 8:05 p.m. by President Halligan.

**II. FLAG SALUTE**

The flag salute was lead by President Halligan.

**III. SUNSHINE LAW STATEMENT**

The Sunshine Law Statement was read by President Halligan

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 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 Mrs. Robertson.

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. Gardner, Mr. Halligan, Mrs. Robertson, Mr. Schwartz,  
Mr. Spadaccini, Mr. Walsh, Dr. Westlake

ABSENT: Mr. Gallow arrived at 8:18 p.m.; Mrs. Norian arrived at 8:50 p.m.

Also present were Mr. Jeffrey Mohre, Superintendent, Ms. Nancy Ciavaglia, BA/BS, Mr. Robert Ryder, Construction Manager, Turner Construction, and approximately fifteen members of the public.

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

Mr. Alan Feigenson questioned damages to the lawn and sidewalks, and also Agenda items #4 and #5 under Finance.

**VII. MINUTES**

REVIEW OF MINUTES -Work Session and Closed Session Meetings #1, 2 of February 7, 2007

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – It is hereby moved by Dr. Westlake, seconded by Mr. Spadaccini that the Board approves the Minutes of Regular Session Meeting January 24, 2007

**ROLL CALL**

**Ayes:** Mr. Gardner, Mrs. Robertson, Mr. Schwartz,  
Mr. Walsh, Dr. Westlake, Mr. Spadaccini, Mr. Halligan  
**Nays:** None  
**Absent:** Mr. Gallow, Mrs. Norian

**VIII. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT/BOARD PRESIDENT’S COMMENTS**  
Mr. Bob Ryder, Turner Construction, provided a progress update related to the OPS construction/renovation project.

**IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS/ACTION**

A. BI-BOROUGH - Dr. Westlake, Chairperson

B. BUILDINGS & GROUNDS - Mr. Schwartz, Chairperson reported that a meeting is scheduled for March 14, 20007.

C. CURRICULUM - Mrs. Norian, Chairperson

1. Comprehensive Equity Plan 2007-2010 – It is hereby moved by Dr. Westlake seconded by Mr. Spadaccini, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board of Education approves the Comprehensive Equity Plan 2007-2010 as prepared by the Affirmative Action Team, and further authorizes the Plan to be submitted to the State Department of Education as required.

**ROLL CALL**

**Ayes:** Mr. Gallow, Mr. Gardner, Mrs. Robertson, Mr. Schwartz,  
Mr. Walsh, Dr. Westlake, Mr. Spadaccini, Mr. Halligan  
**Nays:** None  
**Absent:** Mrs. Norian

D. FINANCE - Mr. Spadaccini, Chairperson commented that the Finance Committee met this evening to discuss the 07/08 budget. The next meeting is scheduled for March 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

1. Monthly Certifications – It is hereby moved by Dr. Westlake, seconded by Mr. Spadaccini, that the Financial Reports of the Board Secretary and Treasurer of School Moneys for the month end January 2007, be accepted as attached and, furthermore, that the Board certify that in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6:20-2A.(10e) that no major account or fund in the 2006/2007 Budget has been over-expended in violation of 6:20-2A.10(b) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the District’s financial obligation for the remainder of the fiscal year.

**ROLL CALL**

- Ayes:** Mr. Gallow, Mr. Gardner, Mrs. Robertson, Mr. Schwartz, Mr. Walsh, Dr. Westlake, Mr. Spadaccini, Mr. Halligan
- Nays:** None
- Absent:** Mrs. Norian

2. Transfer of Funds and Monthly Transfer Reports for the Month End, January 2007 – It is hereby moved by Dr. Westlake, seconded by Mr. Spadaccini, that the Board approve the transfer of funds and monthly transfer reports as attached.

**ROLL CALL**

- Ayes:** Mr. Gallow, Mr. Gardner, Mrs. Robertson, Mr. Schwartz, Mr. Walsh, Dr. Westlake, Mr. Spadaccini, Mr. Halligan
- Nays:** None
- Absent:** Mrs. Norian

3. Special Education Tuition Contracts for Incoming Students for School Year 2006/07 – It is hereby moved by Dr. Westlake, seconded by Mr. Spadaccini, that the Board retroactively approves in accord with Chapter 46, Title 18A, NJ Statutes, receiving the student listed below, to attend the Oradell Public School Special Education L/LD classes, for the full school year 2006/07 at the tuition cost indicated:

<b>Student</b>	<b>Tuition</b>
RO 3-05 (Dumont)	\$36,942.33

**ROLL CALL**

- Ayes:** Mr. Gallow, Mr. Gardner, Mrs. Robertson, Mr. Schwartz, Mr. Walsh, Dr. Westlake, Mr. Spadaccini, Mr. Halligan
- Nays:** None
- Absent:** Mrs. Norian

4. Roof Replacement Part 1 -Change Order #2: It is hereby moved Dr. Westlake, seconded by Mr. Spadaccini, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, in concert with the Business Administrator, that the Board approves Change Order #2 of the contract with P. Cipollini Roofing, Inc., in connection with the roof replacement project 04/05 as submitted and approved by Seyffer & Koch, and furthermore authorizes the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to complete and execute all pertinent paperwork summarized as follows:

- Credit for Unused General Repair Allowance (\$5,000.00)
- Credit for Sidewalk, Landscaping, Lamp Post Repairs (\$4,500.00)

**Total amount of this change order: (\$9,500.00)**

**ROLL CALL**

**Ayes:** Mr. Gallow, Mr. Gardner, Mrs. Robertson, Mr. Schwartz,  
Mr. Walsh, Dr. Westlake, Mr. Spadaccini, Mr. Halligan

**Nays:** None

**Absent:** Mrs. Norian

5. Roof Replacement Part 2 -Change Order #1: It is hereby moved by Dr. Westlake, seconded by Mr. Spadaccini, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, in concert with the Business Administrator, that the Board approves Change Order #1 of the contract with P. Cipollini Roofing, Inc., in connection with the roof replacement project 05/06 as submitted and approved by Seyffer & Koch, and furthermore authorizes the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to complete and execute all pertinent paperwork summarized as follows:

- Credit Unused General Repair Allowance

**Total amount of this change order: (\$2,500.00)**

#### **ROLL CALL**

**Ayes:** Mr. Gallow, Mr. Gardner, Mrs. Robertson, Mr. Schwartz,  
Mr. Walsh, Dr. Westlake, Mr. Spadaccini, Mr. Halligan

**Nays:** None

**Absent:** Mrs. Norian

6. Professional Support Services/Shared Services Agreement for 2006/07 – It is hereby moved by Mr. Spadaccini, seconded by Mr. Walsh, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board of Education retroactively authorizes the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to enter into an agreement with Educational Services Commission of Morris County to provide services/professional support services as required by the District for the 2006/07 school year.

Mr. Schwartz asked for clarification of the use of this service.

#### **ROLL CALL**

**Ayes:** Mr. Gallow, Mr. Gardner, Mrs. Robertson, Mr. Schwartz,  
Mr. Walsh, Dr. Westlake, Mr. Spadaccini, Mr. Halligan

**Nays:** None

**Absent:** Mrs. Norian

- E. PERSONNEL – Mr. Gallow, Chairperson stated that the meeting scheduled for March 1, 2007 to evaluate the Superintendent is cancelled and rescheduled for a closed session meeting on March 6, 2007 at 7:00 p.m.

1. Appointment of Substitute Custodian – It is hereby moved by Dr. Westlake, seconded by Mr. Spadaccini, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board approves the appointment of Michael Gilligan, as a substitute custodian for the 2006/07 school year at \$15.00 per hour effective February 12, 2007 – June 30, 2007.

## ROLL CALL

**Ayes:** Mr. Gallow, Mr. Gardner, Mrs. Robertson, Mr. Schwartz,  
Mr. Walsh, Dr. Westlake, Mr. Spadaccini, Mr. Halligan  
**Nays:** None  
**Absent:** Mrs. Norian

2. Approval of Substitute Teacher(s) for the 2006/07 School Year – It is hereby moved by Dr. Westlake, seconded by Mr. Spadaccini, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board approve the appointment of the following individual(s) as substitute teacher(s) for the 2006/07 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 2006/07 school year:

Josephine Gibbons

## ROLL CALL

**Ayes:** Mr. Gallow, Mr. Gardner, Mrs. Robertson, Mr. Schwartz,  
Mr. Walsh, Dr. Westlake, Mr. Spadaccini, Mr. Halligan  
**Nays:** None  
**Absent:** Mrs. Norian

3. Approval of Annual Goal for Principal – It is hereby moved by Mr. Gallow, seconded by Mr. Spadaccini, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board approves an annual goal for Mr. W. Scott Ryan, Principal, entailing the delivery of the Junior Great Books Program for the 2006-2007 school year.

Mr. Mohre gave an explanation of the Junior Great Books program. Questions were asked by Mrs. Robertson, Mr. Schwartz, Mr. Halligan, and Mr. Spadaccini concerning the structure of the program.

## ROLL CALL

**Ayes:** Mr. Gallow, Mr. Gardner, Mrs. Robertson, Mr. Schwartz,  
Mr. Walsh, Dr. Westlake, Mr. Spadaccini, Mr. Halligan  
**Nays:** None  
**Absent:** Mrs. Norian

4. Approval of Executive Secretary to the Superintendent – It is hereby moved by Mr. Gallow, seconded by Mr. Spadaccini, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board approves the appointment of Mrs. Cheryl Magill to the position of Executive Secretary to the Superintendent for the 2006/07 School Year, at the annual salary of \$39,000.00 to be pro-rated, commencing on or about April 2, 2007 through June 30, 2007. In addition, Mrs. Magill will receive a stipend in the amount of \$1,250.00 (to be prorated) based on her secretarial responsibility to the Park Academy and paid with tuition moneys collected by the Oradell Board office in conjunction with the Park Academy Program.

## ROLL CALL

**Ayes:** Mr. Gallow, Mr. Gardner, Mrs. Robertson, Mr. Schwartz,

Mr. Walsh, Dr. Westlake, Mr. Spadaccini, Mr. Halligan

**Nays:** None

**Absent:** Mrs. Norian

E. **POLICY** – Mr. Walsh, Chairperson stated that the committee is reviewing the complaint policy and the letter retention policy at their March 7<sup>th</sup> committee meeting.

G. **PUBLIC RELATIONS** – Mrs. Robertson, Chairperson reported on the following items discussed at the February 12, 2007 Key Communicators meeting:

- Construction Updates
- Plan for Spring Meeting
- Traffic Update

H. **NJSBA/BCSBA DELEGATE REPORT** – Mr. Walsh, Delegate attended the town council meeting whereby the widening of Prospect Avenue was discussed. Mr. Walsh suggested that the Board contact the council for clarification. President Halligan will send a letter to the Mayor and Council.

I. **PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE** – Mrs. Robertson, Chairperson

**X. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

Stephanie Lubin commented about the parking problem morning and afternoon; asked for a forum with parents and police to discuss problems.

Amy Beutel, OPS teacher, asked if the staggered times of last year help with drop off?

Alan Feigenson asked questions about recent autism grant awards.

**XI. OLD BUSINESS**

Mr. Schwartz asked if the Board sent a letter to the Mayor and Council regarding covering the costs of the realignment of the district.

**XII. NEW BUSINESS**

1. New Board Meeting schedule was circulated.
2. Discussion of the public sidewalk on Center/Prospect covered with mud due to the construction project.
3. Schafer Explorations. Board members made comments and asked the following questions: who will run the program, will we get more custodial help, is there a need for two people to run the program, and students in the program for three years should get the first course for free. Mr. Scott Duthie asked if teachers can get an increase in salary for this program.
4. School Calendar for 2007-2008 was presented by Mr. Mohre. Mrs. Robertson asked if early dates for Back to School Night were possible and if we could have two evening conferences. Mr. Mohre reported that Back to School nights are schedule for September 19<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>.

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

It is hereby moved by Mrs. Norian, seconded by Mr. Spadaccini that the Board adjourns to Closed Session at 9:40 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,

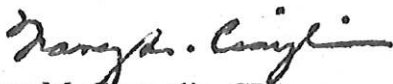
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that this matter be considered in a meeting closed to the public; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Minutes of this meeting be sealed until the matter is resolved.

#### **XIV. ADJOURNMENT**

It is hereby moved by Mrs. Norian, seconded by Mr. Spadaccini that the Board adjourns at 10:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Nancy M. Clavaglia, CPA  
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

