

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

REGULAR SESSION – FEBRUARY 27, 2008

MINUTES

- I. The Regular Session meeting of the Oradell Board of Education was called to order at 8:05 PM by President Gardner.
- II. The Flag Salute was lead by Mrs. Robertson.
- III. The Sunshine Law Statement was read by President Gardner.

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 Ridgewood News, The Record and all persons requesting such notice.

- IV. The Mission Statement was read by Mr. Spadaccini.

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: Mrs. Norian, Mrs. Robertson, Mr. Schwartz, Mr. Walsh, Mrs. Watson-Nichols, Mr. Spadaccini, Mr. Gardner

Absent: Mr. Gallow, Dr. Westlake

Also present were: Mr. Jeffrey Mohre, Superintendent, Ms. Rita Cioppi, Business Administrator/Board Secretary, Ms. Suzanne Lynch, Tri-District Curriculum Coordinator, Mr. Jeffrey Bliss, Auditor from Lerch, Vinci & Higgins, and approximately 14 members of the public.

VI. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

There were no comments from the public at this time.

VII. MINUTES

REVIEW OF MEETING MINUTES –

- February 13, 2008 Work Session

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – It is hereby moved by Mr. Walsh, seconded by Mrs. Watson-Nichols that the Board approve the following minutes:

- January 23, 2008 Regular Session, Closed Session

ROLL CALL

Ayes: Mrs. Norian, Mr. Schwartz, Mr. Walsh, Mrs. Watson-Nichols, Mr. Spadaccini, Mr. Gardner

Nays: Mrs. Robertson

Absent: Mr. Gallow, Dr. Westlake

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

President Gardner introduced Mr. Jim Tilghman, NWEA who made a presentation to the Board regarding MAP Testing.

The Board took a five-minute break at 8:40 p.m.

Mr. Mohre welcomed Ms. Suzanne Lynch, Tri-District Supervisor of Curriculum and Instruction, who provided the Board with an overview of current curriculum initiatives and professional development exercises.

Mr. Mohre reported on correspondence received during the second quarter per BOE policy #1312.2.

Mr. Mohre provided the Board with an update as to the interviewing process for the position of Supervisor of Special Education and Student Support Services.

Mr. Jeffrey Bliss, Auditor to the Oradell Board of Education, teamed with Ms. Rita Cioppi, School Business Administrator, to speak directly to the 2008-2009 proposed school budget and to clarify any questions for the trustees.

IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS/ACTION

- A. BI-BOROUGH - Dr. Westlake, Chairperson
- B. BUILDINGS & GROUNDS - Mr. Gallow, Chairperson
A meeting is scheduled for March 5, 2008 at 7:00 PM.
- C. CURRICULUM - Mrs. Robertson, Chairperson

On a motion by Mrs. Robertson, seconded by Mr. Walsh and carried by roll call vote of 6-0-1 (Mrs. Watson-Nichols abstained, Mr. Gallow and Dr. Westlake absent) the Board approved C1.

1. Revised Curriculum Guides – It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board approves the following revised curriculum guides:
 - Science
 - Physical Education

D. FINANCE - Mr. Spadaccini, Chairperson commented that a committee meeting needs to be scheduled.

1. Tentative Budget 2008/2009 School Year – On a motion by Mr. Spadaccini, seconded by Mrs. Watson-Nichols the Oradell Board of Education adopted the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Oradell Board of Education approve/adopt a tentative 2008/2009 school district budget for submission to the voters as follows,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Oradell Public School Business Administrator/Board Secretary be authorized to place the following question on the ballot for the April 15, 2008 election:

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Local Tax Levy</u>
General Fund	\$ 9,527,517	\$ 8,686,140
Special Revenue Fund	\$ 378,365	\$ -0-
Debt Service Fund	\$ 1,333,212	\$ 1,333,212

ROLL CALL

Ayes: Mrs. Norian, Mrs. Robertson, Mr. Schwartz, Mr. Walsh, Mrs. Watson-Nichols, Mr. Spadaccini, Mr. Gardner

Absent: Mr. Gallow, Dr. Westlake

On a motion by Mr. Spadaccini, seconded by Mr. Walsh and carried by roll call vote 7-0 the Board approved D2, D3, D4.

2. Transfer of Funds and Monthly Transfer Reports for the Month End, January 2008– Approval the transfer of funds and monthly transfer reports for January 2008 as follows:

Account	Amount	Date
11-000-213-101-51-	700.00	01/01/2008
11-000-216-100-50-	-700.00	01/01/2008
11-000-216-320-04-	13,955.00	01/01/2008
11-000-217-101-51-	1,900.00	01/01/2008
11-000-219-104-50-	-21,875.00	01/01/2008
11-000-219-600-04-	-480.00	01/01/2008
11-000-223-500-03-	156.50	01/01/2008
11-000-230-331-01-	80,000.00	01/01/2008
11-000-240-103- -	-1,500.00	01/01/2008
11-000-240-110-51-	1,500.00	01/01/2008

11-000-252-590-08-	-11,000.00	01/01/2008
11-000-262-100- -	6,500.00	01/01/2008
11-000-262-590-06-	51.07	01/01/2008
11-000-262-800-06-	-51.07	01/01/2008
11-000-291-241- -	10,092.00	01/01/2008
11-000-291-270- -	-79,092.00	01/01/2008
11-110-100-101-50-	-1,000.00	01/01/2008
11-110-100-101-51-	1,000.00	01/01/2008
11-190-100-640-03-0208	-4.50	01/01/2008
11-190-100-640-03-0213	-152.00	01/01/2008
11-230-100-106-51-	700.00	01/01/2008
11-240-100-106-50-	-700.00	01/01/2008
11-000-100-566-04-	563.00	01/01/2008
11-000-213-300-04-	-583.00	01/01/2008
11-000-223-500-03-	20.00	01/01/2008
11-000-262-420-06-	-90.00	01/01/2008
11-000-262-590-06-	90.00	01/01/2008
11-000-291-270- -	-79.00	01/01/2008
11-000-291-290- -	79.00	01/01/2008
11-000-213-890-04-	70.00	01/01/2008
11-000-219-580-04-	-70.00	01/01/2008
11-000-213-890-04-	15.00	01/01/2008
11-000-219-580-04-	-15.00	01/01/2008
11-190-100-610-03-0200	205.00	01/01/2008
11-190-100-610-03-0209	-205.00	01/01/2008
11-000-230-339-01-	-3,242.00	01/01/2008
11-000-291-280- -	3,095.20	01/01/2008
11-000-291-290- -	146.80	01/01/2008
	0.00	

3. Payment of Invoices – It is hereby moved that the invoices for the period of January 24, 2008 through February 27, 2008 be approved as follows:

Fund 10 (<i>General Current Expense</i>)	\$ 851,610.77
Fund 12 (<i>Capital Outlay</i>)	\$ 0.00
Fund 20 (<i>Special Revenue Funds</i>)	\$ 20,306.96
Fund 30 (<i>Capital Projects Funds</i>)	\$ 84,497.43
Fund 40 (<i>Debt Service Fund</i>)	\$ 398,094.38
Fund 50 (<i>Summer School</i>)	\$ 0.00
Fund 51 (<i>Region V</i>)	\$ 0.00
Fund 55 (<i>Milk</i>)	\$ 0.00
Fund 63 (<i>Schaefer Explorations</i>)	\$ 0.00
Fund 64 (<i>Ntl School Lunch Prog</i>)	\$ 478.27
Fund 65 (<i>Park Academy</i>)	\$ 18,006.12
Total	\$ 1,372,993.93

4. Conferences/Workshops 2007-2008 School Year - It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board approves, the

below listed staff members/board members to attend the following conference (and related expenses) as outlined in the A5 School District Accountability Act:

Name: Jeffrey Mohre, Superintendent
Conference/Seminar/Workshop: Professional Learning Communities
Date: May 2, 2008
Location: Ridgewood, NJ
Registration: \$50.00
Travel Reimbursement as per Board Policy

Name: W. Scott Ryan, Principal
Conference/Seminar/Workshop: Professional Learning Communities
Date: May 2, 2008
Location: Ridgewood, NJ
Registration: \$50.00
Travel Reimbursement as per Board Policy

Name: Corinne Lynch
Conference/Seminar/Workshop: NJECC 2008 Conference
Date: March 18, 2008
Location: West Milford, NJ
Registration: \$90.00
Travel Reimbursement as per Board Policy

- E. PERSONNEL – Mr. Schwartz, Chairperson stated that a committee meeting is scheduled for March 5, 2008 at 8:00 PM.

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, on a motion by Mr. Schwartz, seconded by Mr. Walsh and carried by roll call vote 7-0 the Board approved E1.

1. Approval of Substitute Teachers for the 2007/08 School Year –Approval of the appointment of the following individuals as substitute teachers for the 2007/08 school year, at a per diem rate of \$80.00 which increases to \$85.00 per day after the 10th day of service during the 2007/08 school year:

Ashley Deckler
Thomas Ng
Nare Hamalian
Carolyne Barbire

- F. POLICY – Mrs. Watson-Nichols, Chairperson
On a motion by Mr. Walsh, seconded by Mr. Spadaccini, and carried by roll call vote 7-0 the Board accepted F1.

1. First Reading 9250-Travel Reimbursement for Employees and Board Members

G. PUBLIC RELATIONS – Mrs. Norian, Chairperson

H. NJSBA/BCSBA DELEGATE REPORT – Mr. Walsh, Delegate

I. PUBLIC SAFETY – Mrs. Robertson

X. OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Mohre provided the Board with an update as to the progress of the committee exploring the implementation of Pre-School Class for Children with Autism. A presentation to the Board, from the committee, will be forthcoming. Mr. Mohre will speak with Mr. Gardner to arrange the date of the presentation.

Mr. Schwartz suggested wording on the district Technology Plan to the Finance Committee for their review and approval.

XI. NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Mohre provided the Board with an update on the written correspondence from October 1, 2007-January 1, 2008.

XII. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

The meeting was opened to the public at 10:45 PM.

Mrs. Bernadette Lombardi asked the following questions: 1) If a child is in need of a service that is not offered by the district, is it possible for the district to hire an outside professional? 2) Regarding the Autistic Program, would all staff involved be trained to work with children in this program?

Mrs. Weiss commented on addressing autistic program, but would also like the district to consider needs of other students.

Mrs. Carole Blakeslee, OPS teacher, informed the President that the NJASK testing presentation was scheduled on parent-teacher conference night.

Mrs. Parenti inquired about the MAP presentation and was OPS considering this for the new school year? Mrs. Parenti stated she took an interest in the presentation and would like to see it brought into the school. President Gardner replied that Board Members brought the program to his attention and he felt it would be beneficial if everyone heard about the program.

Mrs. Tracy Schoenberg thanked Mr. Ryan for Parent/Principal correspondence and interaction. Mrs. Schoenberg commented that she felt the school should help Mrs. Lombardi's child and any other children in this situation.

XIII. CLOSED SESSION (IF NECESSARY)

None at this time.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

It is hereby moved by Mr. Spadaccini, seconded by Mrs. Norian, that the meeting adjourn at 11:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Rita Cioppi
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

