

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

Regular Session Meeting – May 27, 2009

Minutes

I. The meeting was called to order at 8:09 p.m by President Gardner.

II. The **FLAG SALUTE** was led by Mr. Ferrante.

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, posted in Borough Hall and the Oradell Free Public Library, faxed to The Record and Town News and all persons requesting such notice.

IV. The **MISSION STATEMENT** was read by Mrs. Norian.

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. The District fully supports and expects the attainment of the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards on the part of all students within a school environment designed to maximize student potential, develop responsible citizens, and promote respect for the uniqueness of all individuals.

Adopted by the Oradell Board of Education August 27, 2008

V. ROLL CALL

Present: Mr. Ferrante, Mr. Murphy, Mrs. Norian, Mrs. Robertson,
Mr. Samuel, Mr. Walsh, Dr. Westlake Mrs. Watson-Nichols,
Mr. Gardner

Absent: None

Also present were Mr. Jeffrey Mohre, Superintendent, Ms. Rita Cioppi, BA/BS and one member of the public.

VI. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

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

Mr. Mohre reported on the following items:

A Tri-District meeting took place on Tuesday evening, May 19th with the Bi-Boro/Curriculum Committees from River Edge, River Dell and Oradell. Ms. Lynch provided an overview of the initiatives to date, as well as, plans for the forthcoming year.

Oradell Federal Stimulus Moneys entitlement is \$196,661.00 to be used for special education services; \$33,446.00 is earmarked for non-public schools and \$7,119.00 is earmarked for preschool programming. The funds must be used to meet the educational needs for children with disabilities. In addition, the Federal Government has established four principles to guide the distribution and use of funds. Mrs. O'Boyle is coordinating the grant application over a two-year period.

Fifth and sixth grade instrumentalists are participating in a band festival at Cresskill Jr./Sr. High School on June 1st. Students will perform for other schools and experience adjudicators who will judge their performances. The festival is held during the school day and the children will be transported by bus.

OPS spring concerts are scheduled on June 3rd (instrumental) and 8th (choral) at 7:30 p.m.

OPS will once again be supporting the Special Olympics Annual Law Enforcement Torch Run in concert with the Oradell Police Department. The event is planned for June 12th.

Orientation for incoming kindergarten children is scheduled for Tuesday June 2nd. There are 91 children currently enrolled for September.

President Gardner commented on the DARE Graduation. President Gardner thanked the Mayor for maintaining the program and the town's dedication to it continues, as he felt the fifth graders learned a great deal.

President Gardner suggested that the Superintendent send out an email informing board members of committee meetings and schedule dates. President Gardner suggested the Superintendent provide Ms. Cioppi with the schedule to be included in the board packet.

Mrs. Norian stated for the record, that Key Communicators is not a committee but a function of the Public Relations Committee that was developed by the Public Relations Committee. She requested that he reconsider designating it a separate committee.

On a motion by Mrs. Norian, seconded by Mr. Ferrante and carried by roll call vote 9-0, the board approved Agenda Item #1.

1. It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board approves a single session day for Kindergarten only on June 2, 2009 for the purpose of conducting Kindergarten Orientation for incoming students and their families.

VIII. MINUTES

REVIEW OF MEETING MINUTES –

- May 6, 2009 Reorganization/Regular Session

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – *On a motion by Dr. Westlake, seconded by Mr. Samuel and carried by roll call vote, the board approved the following minutes:*

March 12, 2009 Work Session (with attachments) (*Mr. Ferrante, Mrs. Norian abstained*)

March 31, 2009 Budget Presentation/Regular Session (*Mr. Ferrante abstained*)

April 13, 2009 Closed Session (*Mr. Ferrante abstained*)

April 15, 2009 Regular Session (*Mr. Ferrante abstained*)

April 21, 2009 Closed Session (*Mr. Ferrante abstained*)

IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS/ACTION

A. BI-BOROUGH/SHARED SERVICES - Dr. Westlake, Chairperson

Board discussion ensued regarding Oradell's inclusion in the Tri-District Connected Math program. Board consensus is to include Oradell teachers in curriculum discussion regarding Connected Math.

B. BUILDINGS & GROUNDS/SAFETY – Mr. Murphy, Chairperson

Mr. Gardner asked to set up a public safety meeting with the Boro to discuss shrubbery. The board reviewed proposals on the landscaping for the Kiss Off Lane and are not in agreement.

C. CURRICULUM - Mrs. Robertson, Interim Chairperson

On a motion by Mrs. Robertson, seconded by Dr. Westlake and carried by roll call vote 9-0, the board approved C1, C2.

1. Schaefer Explorations 2009 – It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board approves the implementation of the 2009 Schaefer Summer Explorations Program, June 29, 2009-July 24, 2009 (to be housed at the Oradell Public School).
2. Adoption of Curriculum & Textbooks for the 2009/2010 school year – It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board adopts all existing curriculum and textbooks for the 2009/2010 school year that have been in effect, and/or adopted, during the 2008/2009 school year.

D. FINANCE – Mr. Samuel, Chairperson

On a motion by Mr. Samuel, seconded by Dr. Westlake and carried by roll call vote 9-0 the board approved D1, D2, D3, D4, D5, D6, D7, D8

1. Monthly Certifications –The Financial Reports of the Board Secretary and Treasurer of School Moneys for the month end April 2009, be retroactively accepted, 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 2008/2009 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.
2. Payment of Invoices – It is hereby moved that the invoices for the period of April 23, 2009 thru May 27, 2009 be retroactively approved as follows:

Fund 10 (<i>General Current Expense</i>)	\$ 846,400.22
Fund 12 (<i>Capital Outlay</i>)	\$ 0.00
Fund 20 (<i>Special Revenue Funds</i>)	\$ 26,997.98
Fund 30 (<i>Capital Projects Funds</i>)	\$ 1,804.98
Fund 40 (<i>Debt Service Fund</i>)	\$ 382,864.45
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>)	\$ 285.94
Fund 65 (<i>Park Academy</i>)	<u>\$ 22,827.78</u>
Total	\$ 898,316.90

3. Special Education ESY Tuition Contracts 2009 - It is hereby moved that the Board approves in accord with Chapter 46, Title 18A, NJ Statutes, the 2009 Extended School Year tuition and related services for the following students:

<u>Student</u>	<u>Placement</u>	<u>Tuition</u>
#37	BCSSSD Washington South at Emerson	\$4,200
#56	BCSSSD Washington South	\$4,200

4. Approval of Receiving Student(s) for Park Academy Special Education Program for 2008/2009- It is hereby moved upon recommendation of the Superintendent, in concert with the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, that the Oradell Board of Education, in administering the Park Academy Special Education Program for Bergen County Region V Council for Special Education, retroactively approves the following student(s) and tuition for the 2008/2009 school year as follows:

<u>Student</u>	<u>Sending District</u>	<u>Tuition</u>
P# 16-08	Hillsdale	\$37,928.53(to be prorated)
P# 17-08	Hasbrouck Heights	\$37,928.53(to be prorated)

Note: The Park Academy Special Education Program is a special education program created and coordinated by Region V and administered by the Oradell

Public School District Program. Salary and benefits associated with this program are paid for with tuition moneys collected by the Oradell Business Office from the students' home districts. Such expenses are not part of and in no way impact the Oradell Public School's 2008/09 budget.

5. Renewal of Risk Manager/Consultant- It is hereby moved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, in concert with the Business Administrator, that the Board appoints Fenner & Esler Agency, Inc. as the district's Risk Management Consultant for the period of 7/1/09 – 6/30/12.
6. Appointment of Professional Services Consultant-Architect of Record – It is hereby moved that the Board appoints Cubellis, Architect of Record, for the 2009/2010 school year with billing rates as follows.

Principal Charles Koch	\$190 per hour
Sr. Project Manager	\$145 per hour
Project Manager	\$125 per hour
Job Captain	\$110 per hour
Cad Operator/Technical	\$ 95 per hour
Jr. Draftsperson	\$ 65 per hour
Office Support	\$ 50 per hour
Clerical	\$ 40 per hour

7. Appointment of Professional Consultant/Comprehensive Computer Management Services-Budgeting/Accounting – It is hereby moved that Systems 3000 be approved to provide comprehensive computer management services for the 2009/2010 school year at a cost of \$13,499. Furthermore, the Board Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to execute an agreement with the aforementioned company.
8. Conferences/Workshops 2009/2010 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/workshop (and related expenses) as outlined in the A5 School District Accountability Act:

Name: Antonietta Boccanfuso

Conference/Seminar/Workshop: AENJ Fall Conference 2009

Date: October 5, 6, & 7, 2009

Location: Somerset, NJ

Registration Fee: \$130.00

Mileage: \$38.75

Name: Laverne O'Boyle

Conference/Seminar/Workshop: Non-Verbal Learning Disability: Helping Students Reach Their Potential Through Language

Date: July 13 & 14, 2009

Location: Teaneck, NJ

Registration Fee: \$200.00

Mileage: None

Name: Kevin Williamson
Conference/Seminar/Workshop: Boiler Operation Maintenance
Date: July 31, 2009
Location: Whippany, NJ
Registration Fee: \$150.00
Mileage: \$18.26

Name: Rita Cioppi
Conference/Seminar/Workshop: NJASBO Audit & CAFR Preparation
Date: June 23, 2009
Location: Wyndham Gardner, Mt. Olive, NJ
Registration Fee: \$100.00
Mileage: \$27.73

9. Approval of Horizon Blue Cross/Blue Shield Prescription Plan Provider – It is hereby moved upon recommendation of the Superintendent, in concert with the Business Administrator, that the Oradell Board of Education appoints Horizon Blue Cross/Blue Shield as the district's Prescription Plan Provider effective July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010:

E. PERSONNEL – Mrs. Watson-Nichols, Chairperson

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, on a motion by Mrs. Watson-Nichols, seconded by Mr. Walsh and carried by roll call vote 9-0 the board approved E1, E2, E3, E4, E6, E7, E8.

The board members expressed their thanks and deep appreciation toward Ms. Lasch and wished her well on her impending marriage and future endeavors. The board agreed to the purchase of a gift for Ms. Lasch for her dedication to OPS.

1. Resignation of Assistant Principal – It is hereby moved upon recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board, accepts with regret, the resignation of Kimberly Lasch, Assistant Principal, effective July 15, 2009.
2. Resignation of Part-Time Nurse Aide – It is hereby moved upon recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board, accepts with regret, the resignation of Michelina Ernest, Part-time Nurse Aide, effective May 29, 2009.
3. Approval of Park Academy Clerk – It is hereby moved upon recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board, approves the employment of Luanne McGlone, 10 month Clerk (Park Academy) for the 2009/2010 school year.

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districts. Such expenses are not part of and in no way impact the Oradell Public School's 2008/09 budget.

4. Approval of PT (.2) Music Teacher – It is hereby moved upon recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board, approves the employment of Bonnie Laub, PT (.2) Music Teacher, BA/Step 6 for the 2009/2010 school year.
5. Appointment of P/T Summer Custodians – It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board approves the appointment of the following summer custodians at a rate of \$9.25 p/hr:

Lucas Herget
Vincent Moltzen
Robert Hansen
Ryan Magill
Kevin Sonnet

6. Approval of Nurse Substitute for the 2008/09 School Year - It is hereby moved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board retroactively approves the appointment of the following individual as nurse substitute for the 2008/09 school year, at a per diem rate of \$120.00 per day effective May 14, 2009.

Denise Michaud

7. Approval of 2009 summer work – It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board approves summer work totaling 30 hours for the following medical professionals for the purpose of reviewing the medical records of all incoming kindergarten students and developing student medical alert lists and health care plans:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rate</u>
Mrs. Carole Orthmann	\$45.00 p/hr
Mrs. Victoria O'Shea	\$24.00 p/hr

8. Approval of Substitute Teachers for the 2008/09 School Year – It is hereby moved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board approve the appointment of the following individuals as substitute teachers for the 2008/09 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 2008/09 school year:

Keri McDermott
Nina Stubblebine

- F. POLICY – Mr. Ferrante, Chairperson
- G. PUBLIC RELATIONS/NJQSAC – Mrs. Norian, Chairperson

H. NJSBA/BCSBA DELEGATE REPORT – Mr. Walsh, Delegate attended the May 7th meeting and stayed for discussion on the stimulus grant.

X. OLD BUSINESS

Regarding the chair refurbishing project flyer, Mr. Murphy asked to table this venture.

Board members discussed the Interlocal Agreement for coordinated K-12 curriculum services. Mr. Gardner suggested that Mrs. Robertson schedule a committee meeting to discuss her concerns. Mr. Gardner and Dr. Westlake suggested a meeting should also be scheduled with the River Dell Superintendent to resolve issues.

XI. NEW BUSINESS

Mrs. Norian requested dates for NJSBA events.

Mrs. Norian commented that one of the borough's crossing guards passed away.

XII. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC- There were no questions or comments from the public.

XIII. CLOSED SESSION - None at this time.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Dr. Westlake, seconded by Mr. Samuel the meeting adjourned at 11:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Rita Cioppi

Business Administrator/Board Secretary