

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

**REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING
September 23, 2009**

MINUTES

I. The meeting was **CALLED TO ORDER** at 8:08 p.m. by President Gardner.

II. The **FLAG SALUTE** was led 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, 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 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. 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 arrived at 8:55 pm, Mrs. Norian, Mrs. Robertson, Mr. Walsh, Dr. Westlake, Mrs. Watson-Nichols, Mr. Gardner

Absent: Mr. Samuel

Also present was Mr. Jeffrey Mohre, Superintendent, Ms. Rita Cioppi, BA/BS and two members of the public.

VI. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR AGENDA ITEMS ONLY – No Comments

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

- Mr. Mohre reviewed the additions to the evening's agenda.

- Mr. Mohre presented the 2009-2010 *District Goal Action Plans* to the Board which were tabled until the October 7th Board Meeting.
- Mr. Mohre shared the date for the next OPS Back-to-School Night: *September 30th - Grades 3, 4, 5*

President's Report:

Mr. Gardner reported on the following:

1. He has been working with the Oradell Borough to give back five parking spaces for the teachers.
2. The teacher presentation in Ryan's (Mr. Gardner's son) class was very impressive.
3. A formal complaint was received from Mike and Barbara Starr and should be discussed.
4. A number of parents contacted Mr. Gardner about the boiler project. The procedures leading up to the project is now posted on the school website for parents to read.

VIII. MINUTES

REVIEW OF MEETING MINUTES –

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – It is hereby moved by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Dr. Westlake and carried 4-0-3 (Mr. Murphy and Mr. Samuel absent), that the following minutes be approved: Mr. Ferrante, Mr. Walsh, and Dr. Westlake abstained.

- August 19, 2009 Closed 1& 2, Regular Session

IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS/ACTION

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

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

1. *On a motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Dr. Westlake and carried by roll call vote 7-0 (Mr. Murphy and Mr. Samuel absent) the board approved B1. Mr. Gardner inquired as to how often the school emergency plan is reviewed with the staff. Mr. Mohre responded that he does review it with his staff.*

Approval of School Emergency Plan – It is hereby moved upon recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board approves and adopts the School Emergency Preparedness Plan for the 2009-2010 school year.

C. CURRICULUM - Mrs. Robertson, Chairperson mentioned that she was going to organize a meeting shortly.

D. FINANCE/TECHNOLOGY – Mr. Samuel, Chairperson

On a motion by Mrs. Watson-Nichols, seconded by Mr. Walsh and carried by roll call vote, 7-0 (Mr. Murphy and Mr. Samuel absent) the board approved DI.

1. Approval of Receiving Students for Park Academy Special Education Program for 2009/2010- 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 students and tuition for the 2009/2010 school year as follows:

| <u>Student</u> | <u>Sending District</u> | <u>Tuition</u> |
|----------------|-------------------------|----------------|
| P#01-09 | RiverVale | \$35,541.03 |
| P#02-09 | Haworth | \$35,541.03 |
| P#03-09 | Upper Saddle River | \$35,541.03 |
| P#04-09 | Upper Saddle River | \$35,541.03 |
| P#05-09 | Rochelle Park | \$35,541.03 |
| P#06-09 | Ridgewood | \$35,541.03 |
| P#07-09 | Hasbrouck Heights | \$35,541.03 |
| P#08-09 | Leonia | \$35,541.03 |
| P#09-09 | Fairlawn | \$35,541.03 |
| P#10-09 | Northvale | \$35,541.03 |
| P#11-09 | Hackensack | \$35,541.03 |

Note: The Part Academy Special Education Program is a special education program created and coordinated by Region V and administered by the Oradell Public School District. 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 2009/2010 budget.

2. *On a motion by Mrs. Watson-Nichols, seconded by Dr. Westlake and carried by roll call vote 7-0 the board tabled this motion (Mr. Murphy and Mr. Samuel absent). Ms. Cioppi was asked to consult with the auditor regarding this resolution.*

Approval of Professional Architect Consultant Services - It is hereby moved upon recommendation of the Superintendent, in concert with the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, the board approves and agreement between the Oradell Board of Education and Cubellis to provide additional architectural services to the district regarding the Boiler Replacement Project Grant #G5-3394, DOE#3870-050-09-1001 in the amount of \$35,225.00.

On a motion by Mrs. Watson-Nichols, seconded by Mr. Ferrante and carried by roll call vote 7-0 (Mr. Murphy and Mr. Samuel absent) the board approved D3, D4.

3. Payment of Invoices – It is hereby moved that the invoices for the period of August 20, 2009 through September 23, 2009 be retroactively approved as follows:

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| Fund 10 (<i>General Current Expense</i>) | \$ 810,465.52 |
| Fund 12 (<i>Capital Outlay</i>) | \$ 0.00 |
| Fund 20 (<i>Special Revenue Funds</i>) | \$ 2,817.07 |
| Fund 30 (<i>Capital Projects Funds</i>) | \$ 23,156.05 |
| Fund 40 (<i>Debt Service Fund</i>) | \$ 0.00 |
| 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>) | \$ 0.00 |
| Fund 65 (<i>Park Academy</i>) | \$ 9,361.82 |
| Total | \$ 845,800.46 |

4. Special Education Services for 2009/2010 School Year and Extended Year 2009 Services- It is hereby moved upon recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board approves in accord with Chapter 46, Title 18A, NJ Statutes, the 2009/2010 related services for the following students:

- Little Boost at the Bergen County YJCC: Social skills group for Student #57: 2 cycles of 12 sessions @ \$1,080/cycle.
- Valley Program Behavioral Consultation Services for Student #57: 1 hour weekly @ \$125.00/hour for 6 weeks beginning 9/28/09.
- Johanna Bargisen – 4 hours ABA/Parent Training sessions/week @ \$40.00/hour for Student #68,(retroactive to 9/16/09.)
- Johanna Bargisen – 2 hours program coordination/week @ \$45.00/hour for Student #68, (retroactive to 9/16/09.)
- Johanna Bargisen – 2 hours Behavioral Consultation Services @ \$45.00/hour for Student #59, (retroactive to 8/27/09.)
- Johanna Bargisen – 2 hours Behavioral Consultation Meeting @ \$45.00/hour for Student #57, (retroactive to 8/17/09).

- Johanna Bargisen – 2 hours Behavioral Consultation Services @ \$45.00/hour for Student #68, (retroactive to 8/11/09.)
- Susan Champagne – 4 hours ABA/Parent Training sessions/week @ \$25.00/hour for Student #68.
- Bergen Pediatric Therapy Center – Occupational Therapy and Physical Therapy sessions for student #67: 2 sessions each/week @ \$85.00/session 9/28/09-12/23/09.
- Andrea Boyle: 2 sessions weekly @ \$30.00/session for 6 weeks for Parent Training EYP Sessions for Student #52. (Previously approved for 6 sessions @ \$30.00/session).
- Rickard Rehabilitation: Additional PT session for Student #48 @ \$64.00
- Melissa Anglesea: 24 hours ABA EYP Services for Student #41 @ \$30.00/hour (previously board approved on 6/18/09 for Brooke Martire—change in therapist due to scheduling conflict)

E. PERSONNEL /NEGOTIATIONS– Mrs. Watson-Nichols, Chairperson

1. *On a motion by Mrs. Watson-Nichols, seconded by Dr. Westlake and carried 7-0 (Mr. Murphy and Mr. Samuel absent) the board approved E-1 (with the exception of Mr. Ferrante, Mrs. Norian and Mr. Walsh abstaining on the workshop related to themselves.)*

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: Jeffrey Mohre, Superintendent
Conference/Seminar/Workshop: NJSBA Annual Convention
Date: October 28, 2009-October 29, 2009
Location: Atlantic City, NJ
Registration: \$200.00
Hotel: \$99.00
Mileage/Tolls: \$108.00

Name: Rita Cioppi, BA/BS
Conference/Seminar/Workshop: NJSBA Annual Convention
Date: October 28, 2009-October 29, 2009
Location: Atlantic City, NJ
Registration:\$200.00
Hotel: \$99.00
Mileage/Tolls: \$108.00

Name: John Walsh, Board Member
Conference/Seminar/Workshop: NJSBA Annual Convention
Date: October 28-30, 2009
Location: Atlantic City, NJ
Registration: \$ 200.00
Hotel: \$ 198.00
Mileage/Tolls: \$108.00

Name: Katherine Norian, Board Member
Conference/Seminar/Workshop: NJSBA Annual Convention
Date: October 28-30, 2009
Location: Atlantic City, NJ
Registration: \$200.00
Hotel: \$198.00
Mileage: \$108.00

Name: Louis Ferrante, Board Member
Conference/Seminar/Workshop: NJSBA Annual Convention
Date: October 28, 2009-October 29, 2009
Registration: \$200.00
Location: Atlantic City, NJ
Hotel: \$99.00

Name: Susan Confrancisco
Conference/Seminar/Workshop: Pharmacology in the School Setting
Date: October 2, 2009
Location: Mahwah, NJ
Registration Fee: None
Mileage: \$9.30

Name: Mary Hetherington
Conference/Seminar/Workshop: Pharmacology in the School Setting
Date: October 2, 2009
Location: Mahwah, NJ
Registration Fee: None
Mileage: \$9.30

Name: Jennifer Powers
Conference/Seminar/Workshop: Launching the Writer's Workshop
Date: October 5, 2009
Location: Northern Valley Regional
Registration Fee: \$175.00
Mileage: \$3.41

Name: Peter Kasturas

Conference/Seminar/Workshop: Launching the Writer's Workshop

Date: October 5, 2009

Location: Northern Valley Regional

Registration Fee: \$175.00

Mileage: \$3.41

Name: Hera Yang

Conference/Seminar/Workshop: Effective Reading Strategies for Young Readers

Date: January 12, 2010

Location: Northern Valley Regional

Registration Fee: \$175.00

Mileage: \$3.41

Name: Donna Marinelli

Conference/Seminar/Workshop: Effective Reading Strategies for Young Readers

Date: January 12, 2010

Location: Northern Valley Regional

Registration Fee: \$175.00

Mileage: \$3.41

Name: Melissa Golden

Conference/Seminar/Workshop: Effective Reading Strategies for Young Readers

Date: January 12, 2010

Location: Northern Valley Regional

Registration Fee: \$175.00

Mileage: \$3.41

Name: Stacey Gordon

Conference/Seminar/Workshop: Balanced Literacy for Grades K-2

Date: February 2, 2010

Location: Northern Valley Regional

Registration Fee: \$175.00

Mileage: \$3.41

Name: Debra Bendett

Conference/Seminar/Workshop: Balanced Literacy for Grades K-2

Date: February 2, 2010

Location: Northern Valley Regional

Registration Fee: \$175.00

Mileage: \$3.41

Name: Jillian Jengo
Conference/Seminar/Workshop: Balanced Literacy for Grades K-2
Date: February 2, 2010
Location: Northern Valley Regional
Registration Fee: \$175.00
Mileage: \$3.41

Name: Helene Albrecht
Conference/Seminar/Workshop: Book Clubs in the Classroom, Grades 3-6
Date: March 18-19, 2010
Location: Northern Valley Regional
Registration Fee: \$350.00
Mileage: \$6.82

F. POLICY – Mr. Ferrante, Chairperson
Mr. Ferrante requested that the allergy policy be placed on the district' web site along with the 5000 series. It was suggested that the Board table this policy for further evaluation by the committee.

1. It is hereby moved that the Board accepts the first reading of the following policy:

- # 6153 - Field Trips

G. PUBLIC RELATIONS/NJQSAC – Mrs. Norian Chairperson asked that a meeting be scheduled as soon as possible to move ahead.

H. NJSBA/BCSBA DELEGATE REPORT – Mr. Walsh, Delegate stated that the next meeting is scheduled for September 30, 2009 at Cherry Hill School.

I. KEY COMMUNICATORS – Mrs. Norian announced that NJSBA Convention is coming up in October.

X. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC – No comments at this time.

XI. OLD BUSINESS

Mrs. Robertson asked the following questions:

1. If they would be getting the Everyday Math end-of-year assessment by October 15th. Mr. Mohre responded “yes”.
2. Did the NJASK scores come in yet? Mr. Mohre responded that they arrived the day before and needs to review them first.
3. Suggested to the Borough Office that the Church St. landscaping should be done when the kids are not present.

4. Asked if there was board approval for field trips in the present policy. Mr. Mohre answered "no".

Mr. Walsh suggested sending the students to New York for field trips. Mr. Mohre mentioned that he would not feel good about New York trips for safety of the children from terrorism.

Mr. Walsh asked for an update on Mr. Ryan's two year Language Arts goal, pre and post. Mr. Mohre mentioned that it was only a one year goal and when asked when the board would have the report, Mr. Mohre stated that the administration was compiling the results and would see the findings at the November meeting.

Mrs. Watson-Nichols asked Mr. Mohre if he looked into the parent surveys.

Mr. Gardner mentioned that in August the OEA expressed concern to meet during their prep time regarding negotiations. He asked Mrs. Watson-Nichols if the OEA ever got back to her. Mrs. Watson-Nichols responded "no", that they were supposed to meet prior to the September 9th meeting with Mal Kenney and the Board.

XII. NEW BUSINESS

Mrs. Robertson requested that the bills list be sent in hard copy instead of e-mail.

Mr. Mohre mentioned that pink flamingoes might show up on the school lawn representing the fund raising being done for breast cancer. The theme is "You've Been Flocked"

Mr. Gardner mentioned that some parents were upset about Obama's speech being placed on the school website.

XIII. CLOSED SESSION (IF NECESSARY) – Not at this time.

- XIV.** On a motion by Dr. Westlake, seconded by Mr. Gardner the board meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Rita Cioppi
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

