# ORADELL BOARD OF EDUCATION ORADELL, NEW JERSEY 07649

### REORGANIZATION/REGULAR MEETING April 28, 2010

# **MINUTES**

- I. The Reorganization Meeting was **CALLED TO ORDER** at 8:04 P.M. by Ms. Rita Cioppi, Board Secretary.
- II. The FLAG SALUTE was lead by Mr. Murphy.
- III. The SUNSHINE LAW STATEMENT was read by Ms. Cioppi.

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 <u>The Record</u>, and <u>Town News</u> and all persons requesting such notice.

IV. 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. 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. Gardner, Mr. Murphy, Mrs. Robertson, Mr. Samuel

Absent: Mrs. Norian

Also present were: Dr. Maria Nuccetelli, Interim Superintendent, Ms. Rita Cioppi, Business Administrator/Board Secretary and approximately 13 members of the public.

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

#### REORGANIZATION MEETING

#### VII. BOARD SECRETARY'S REPORT ON ELECTION RESULTS

Ms. Cioppi served as President Pro-Tem and called the meeting to order until the Board elects a new President.

1. Election Results - It is hereby moved that the Board acknowledge the election results from April 20, 2010, as reported herein by the Business Administrator/Board Secretary

## Annual School Election Results Tuesday, April 20, 2010

Budget proposition voted upon: Resolved, That there should be raised for General Funds \$9,463,926 for the ensuing School Year (2010-2011).

	District 1	District 2	District 3	District 4	District 5	District 6	Absentees	Provisional	Total
Yes	126	129	123	165	166	175	21	2	907
No	114	67	125	100	116	124	11	1	658

Official results certified by the Bergen County Board of Elections

#### **Board Candidate Results**

(3) Full Three Year Terms

	District 1	District 2	District 3	District 4	District 5	District 6	Absentees	Provisional	Total
Dorothy Watson-Nichols	141	113	130	170	162	202	19	1	938
John A. Walsh	149	124	153	177	161	206	18	0	988
Eugene Westlake	153	112	138	181	171	209	20	1	985

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2. Ms. Cioppi administered the Oath on these results to the following newly elected Board Members:

Dorothy Watson-Nichols – 3-year term John A. Walsh – 3-year term Eugene Westlake– 3 year term

- 3. Ms. Cioppi calls the Roll Call Mr. Ferrante, Mr. Gardner, Mr. Murphy, Mrs. Norian, Mrs. Robertson, Mr. Samuel, Mr. Walsh, Mrs. Watson-Nichols, Dr. Westlake
- 4. 2010/11 Oradell Board of Education Trustees and Expiration of Terms of Office:

<b>Trustee</b>	<b>Expiration of Term</b>
Louis Ferrante	2012
Michael Gardner	2012
Richard G. Murphy	2011
Mary Katherine Nor	rian 2011
Christine Robertson	2012
John Samuel	2011
John Walsh	2013
Dorothy Watson-Ni	chols 2013
Eugene Westlake	2013

- Nomination and Election of President On a motion by Mr. Samuel, seconded by Dr. Westlake, nominated Dorothy Watson-Nichols for President. Being there were no other nominations, Ms. Cioppi casts one unanimous vote for the election of Dorothy Watson Nichols as President of the Board.
- Nomination and Election of Vice-President On a motion by Mr.
   Samuel, seconded by Dr. Westlake nominated Christine Robertson for Vice-President. Ms. Cioppi casts one unanimous vote for the election of Christine Robertson as Vice-President of the Board.

Ms. Cioppi, Board Secretary relinquishes the chair to the newly elected president.

President Watson-Nichols thanked Mr. Gardner for all of his hard work and dedication to the school and the children of OPS. He spent countless hours here and President Watson-Nichols hopes we can continue to still work together this year.

Mr. Murphy asked "for the record" that his comments be added to the minutes: "I have told my family that my goal of Board service is to leave this institution better than I found it. Mike... You achieved my goal. You have left this institution in a significantly better state than you found it in at the beginning of your presidency.

Our school community has absolutely benefited with your leadership these past three years. We would not be where we are at today without your many hours spent in this building, your attention to detail, your follow up, and your hand at the rudder. As a Board member I thank you for your service. As a parent and member of this community I thank you as well."

Mr. Samuel stated "for the record" that he echoed the sentiments of Mr. Murphy. Mike's knowledge and what he's brought to the board in the two years that I have been here has just been phenomenal, the countless hours of research, the dedication to all the issues we taken up, and the knowledge he's brought to the board has just been unbelievable. I don't know how he has found the time to do all the research he did and educate the board members. His knowledge of the law and the amount of money he probably saved us over his presidency, just being able to guide us as a board is a bonus. Mike was a true inspiration for the last two years, the amount of time that he dedicated to everything that he did, his dedication to the kids, the amount of time he spent here was truly an inspiration for me as a board member and I thank you.

Other board members expressed their thanks to Mr. Gardner for all his hard work, time and effort as Board President.

On a motion by Dr. Westlake, seconded by Mr. Samuel and carried by roll call vote 8--0 (Mrs. Norian absent) the board approved #8, #9, #10, #11, #12,#13 #14, #15, #16,#17,#18, #19,#20, #21,#22, #23,#25,#26, #27,#28, #29,#30, #31,#32,#33, #34,#36,#37, #38,#39,#40,#41,#42,#43,#44,#45,#46,#47,#48

On a motion by Mr. Samuel, seconded by Dr. Westlake and carried 8-0 (Mrs. Norian absent) the Board approved #7.

7. Meeting Dates - It is hereby moved, that the Board of Education approves the Public Work Session meetings and Public Business Session meetings to be held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month (unless otherwise stated) at 7:30 p.m. in the OPS Auditorium as follows:

# 2010/2011 Oradell Board of Education Meeting Dates

Public Work Session	Public Business Meetings
July 21, 2010 (Board Retreat)	July 28, 2010
August	August 18, 2010
September 15, 2010	September 30, 2010(Thursday)
October	October 13, 2010
November	November 10, 2010
December	December 15, 2010
January 12, 2011	January 26, 2011
February	February 16, 2011
March 17, 2011(Thurs.)	March 30, 2011 (Budget hearing)
April	April 13, 2011

May 4, 2011(Reorganization) May 25, 2011 June --- June 22, 2011

Note: Action is taken at all Public Business Meetings. Closed session meetings may precede and/or follow the work/business session meetings. Meeting location, dates & times subject to change. Notices for all meetings (scheduled, non-scheduled and cancelled or changed) are posted in the hall outside the OPS main office, The Oradell Public Library and the Oradell Town Hall.

8. Official Depositories - It is hereby moved that the Board approve the following as official depositories for funds of this Board of Education for the 2010/2011 school year:

Bank of America TD Bank

- Official Newspapers It is hereby moved that the Board approve <u>The Record</u>, <u>The Star Ledger</u> and <u>The Town News</u> as the official newspapers of the Oradell Board of Education for the 2010/2011 school year.
- 10. Designation of Signatories It is hereby moved that the Board approve the following checking accounts of the Oradell Board of Education, and Signatories for the 2010/11 school year:

Account	Signatories
Regular General Fund (3 required)	Board President or Board Vice-President Board Secretary or Superintendent Treasurer of School Moneys
Payroll (1 required)	Treasurer of School Moneys or Board Secretary
Payroll Agency (1 required)	Treasurer of School Moneys or Board Secretaryor Board President
Student Activity (2 required)	Principal Board Secretary or Treasurer of School Moneys
Summer School (2 required)	Summer School Director or Summer School Assistant Director Board Secretary
2004 Referendum	Board Secretary or Superintendent

And furthermore, approves the use of facsimile signature stamp(s) for the Board President, Board Vice President, Board Secretary, Superintendent and Treasurer of School Monies as may be required in the event that the individuals are unavailable for personally affixing their signature.

- 11. Approval of Chart of Accounts It is hereby moved that the Board approve the Chart of Accounts for the 2010/2011 school year, which are on file in the Board Secretary's Office.
- 12. Appointment of Treasurer of School Moneys It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board appoints Ronald J. Amorino, as Treasurer of School Moneys from July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011 at an annual salary of \$2,700.00 (no increase over prior year)
- 13. Appointment of Board Secretary It is hereby moved that the Board of Education appoint Rita Cioppi as Board Secretary from this date until the 2011 Reorganization Meeting pending her reappointment as School Business Administrator.
- 14. Appointment of Acting Board Secretary It is hereby moved that the Board of Education appoint the Interim Superintendent as Acting Board Secretary, to serve on an emergency basis only, from this date until the 2011 Reorganization Meeting.
- 15. Petty Cash Accounts It is hereby moved that the Board of Education establishes the following petty cash accounts for the 2010/2011 school year in accordance with Board Policy #3451 and that the said accounts are to be replenished by vouchers and reported to the Board on an annual basis.

Account	Amount	Not to Exceed Per Incident	Signatories
Superintendent	\$200	\$150	Superintendent
Business Office	\$200	\$150	Bus.Admin./Bd.Secy.
Principal	\$400	\$ 25	Principal
Special Services	\$100	\$ 25	Director of Special Services
Custodian Office	\$200	\$150	Bus. Admin/Bd. Secy

16. Professional Consultant/School Physician - It is hereby moved that Ann M. DeAngelo, M.D. be appointed as professional consultant/

- school physician, at an annual salary of \$4,000.00 for the 2010/2011 school year.(no increase over prior year)
- 17. Professional Consultant/Medical Examiner It is hereby moved that Stephen G. Varhol, M.D. be appointed as school medical examiner for the 2010/2011 school year. Such services will be rendered on a case- by-case basis at \$75.00 per case.(no increase over prior year)
- 18. Professional Services Agreement It is hereby moved that the Board authorizes the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to enter into an agreement with the Bergen County Department of Health to offer bloodborne pathogen training and Hepatitis B vaccinations as part of the bloodborne pathogen compliance program for the 2010/2011 school year.
- 19. Professional Services Consultant/Auditor It is hereby moved that Lerch, Vinci & Higgins, Certified Public Accountants, be approved as the District's auditor for the 2010/2011 school year, to conduct the fiscal year audit and other services deemed necessary by the Superintendent and/or Business Administrator/Board Secretary with billing rates as follows:

FY 10 Annual Audit Related Services

Partners

Managers

Senior Accountants

Staff Accountants

Other Personnel

\$20,000.00

\$140-\$170 per hour

\$100 - \$125 per hour

\$80-\$100 per hour

\$70 - \$80 per hour

\$45.00 per hour

- \*no increase in rate over prior year, minimal increase in annual fee
- 20. Professional Services Consultant-Special Education Counsel It is hereby moved that the Board, at will, appoints the firm of Schenck, Price, Smith and King LLP as Special Education Board Attorney for the 2010/2011 school year at a rate of \$165.00 per hour plus the cost of any disbursements or unusual expenses incurred on the Board's behalf such as filing fees, delivery charges, travel, parking and tolls. In addition, an administration fee equal to 3% of each monthly bill will be assessed to the board to cover the expense of postage, copying, telephone use, and facsimile.
- 21. Professional Services Consultant-Board Attorney It is hereby moved that the Board, at will, appoints Malachi Kenney, Esq. of the firm of Kenney, Gross, Kovats & Campbell as Board Attorney for the 2010/2011 school year at a rate of \$150.00 per hour.
- 22. 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 2010/2011 school year at a cost of \$14,038.96. Furthermore, the Board Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to execute an agreement with the aforementioned company.

23. Professional Consultant/Computer Management Services – It is hereby moved that RealTime Information Technology, Inc. be approved to provide student system software and support during the 2010/2011 school year at the following costs (no increase over prior year):

Student Systems \$6,758.50 Special Services IEP \$2,750.00

On a motion by Mr. Samuel, seconded by Dr. Westlake and carried 8-0 (Mrs. Norian absent) the Board approved #24.

24. Professional Consultant/Environmental Services – It is hereby moved that Garden State Environmental Inc, be approved to provide environmental and consulting services during the 2010/2011 school year as per the following rates:

Task AHERA 6-month surveillance Inspection (includes all travel, field and admin time)	Cost \$650 each
AHERA 3-Year Re-inspection (includes all travel, field and admin time)	\$1,100 each
General and technical asbestos compliance as needed	\$115 p/hr
2-hour on site AHERA asbestos awareness session Handout and Documentation Materials	\$550 \$5 p/person
On-site Annual inspection, review of existing RTK records, completion of NJ RTK forms	\$950
2-hour update training	\$550
4-hour initial training for new employees	\$750

25. Employee Benefits Broker – It is hereby moved that LDP Consulting Group, Inc., of Lambertville, NJ be appointed as the District's Employee Benefits Broker of Record for the 2010/2011 school year.

- 26. Affirmative Action Officer It is hereby moved that the Board appoints W. Scott Ryan, as Affirmative Action Officer and Title IX Compliance Coordinator for the 2010/2011 school year.
- 27. 504 Compliance Officer It is hereby moved that the Board appoint W. Scott Ryan, Principal, as 504 Compliance Officer for the 2010/2011 school year.
- 28. Integrated Pest Management Coordinator It is hereby moved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board approve the appointment of Rita Cioppi, as Integrated Pest Management Coordinator for the 2010/11 school year, pending her re-appointment as School Business Administrator.
- 29. Custodian of Records It is hereby moved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board approve the appointment of Rita Cioppi Business Administrator/Board Secretary, as Custodian of Records for the 2010/11 school year, pending her re-appointment as School Business Administrator.
- 30. Purchasing Agent It is hereby moved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board approve the appointment of Rita Cioppi, Business Administrator/Board Secretary, be appointed as the District's Purchasing Agent for the 2010/11 school year and be approved to make purchases for the District in accordance with the provisions of statute as cited in 18A:18A-3 (establishment of bid threshold of \$21,000.00), 18A:18A-4 (bidding requirements \$3,150.00), and such other aspects of 18A:18A as may apply to the procurement of equipment, materials, or services, pending her reappointment as School Business Administrator.
- 31. Liaison for Homeless Children It is hereby moved that the Board approve the appointment of Mary Hetherington, School Social Worker, as the District's Liaison for Homeless Children for the 2010/2011 school year.
- 32. 403 B Agent Authorization It is hereby moved that the Board approve the following 403 B plans for the 2010/2011 school year:

AXA Equitable Life Insurance Company (formerly Equitable)
MetLife Investors (formerly Security First Group)
The Variable Annuity Life Insurance Company
The Vanguard Company

- 33. Public Agency Compliance Officer (P.A.C.O.) It is hereby moved, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, that the Board approve the appointment of Rita Cioppi, Business Administrator/Board Secretary, as Public Agency Compliance Officer for the 2010/2011 school year pending her reappointment as School Business Administrator.
- 34. NJ Department of Agriculture Designees for National School Lunch Program It is hereby moved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board approves the following appointments for the 2010/2011school year:

Rita Cioppi - Certifier (pending her reappointment as School Business Administrator.)

Maria Nuccetelli - Alternate Certifier

Carolyn Riecken - Submitter

Cindy Kennedy - Alternate Submitter

- 35. Designee Non-Public Nursing Services It is hereby moved that the Board authorizes the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to enter into an agreement with the Mid-Bergen Regional Health Commission to provide non- public nursing services to St. Joseph's students for the 2010/2011 school year, at an annual rate not to exceed the District's entitlement for non-public nursing aid.
- 36. Chapters 192/193 Service Agreement/Non-Public School Services It is hereby moved that the Board authorizes the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to enter into an agreement with Bergen County Special Services to provide remedial and auxiliary services to eligible students attending non-public schools within the Oradell School District as required under Chapter 192/193 laws for the 2010/2011 school year at an annual rate not to exceed the district's entitlement.
- 37. Job Descriptions It is hereby moved, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, that the Board re-adopts the existing job descriptions covering all employees of the Oradell Board of Education, for the 2010/2011 school year.
- 38. Policies and Bylaws It is hereby moved that the Board re-adopts existing policies and bylaws of the Board of Education for the 2010/11 school year.
- 39. Membership in Bergen County Region V It is hereby moved, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, that the Oradell Board of Education continues its membership in the Bergen County

- Region V Council for Special Education for the 2010/2011 school year; does hereby accept, adopt and agree to comply with the Region V Bylaws; designate the Superintendent as its representative to Region V; empower him to cast all votes and take all other action necessary to represent its interest in Region V. The Board further approves the Joint Transportation Agreements for all Oradell students who are transported through Region V.
- 40. Membership in Northeast Bergen County School Board Insurance Group (NESBIG) It is hereby moved, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, that the Oradell Board of Education approves, pursuant to the provision of Title 18A:18A-42, participation of the District as a member of the Northeast Bergen County School Board Insurance Group (NESBIG) in the Workers Compensation Pool and as a member for other joint insurance services for the 2010/2011school year.
- 41. Membership in New Jersey School Boards Association (NJSBA) It is hereby moved, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, that the Oradell Board of Education approves membership in the New Jersey School Boards Association for the 2010/2011 school year.
- 42. Membership in the Horizon Blue Cross/Blue Shield of NJ Health Benefits Program It is hereby moved, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, that the Oradell Board of Education approves participation by the District in Horizon Blue Cross/Blue Shield of NJ for health benefits for the 2010/2011 school year.
- 43. Prescribed Mileage Reimbursement It is hereby moved, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, that the Oradell Board of Education approves the reimbursement rate for auto travel at \$.31 per mile for the 2010/11 school year, to conform with the per mile rate established by the OMB Circular for the calendar year 2010.
- 44. Student Accident Insurance It is hereby moved that the Oradell Board of Education approve the appointment of Maksin Group Pennsauken, NJ as the student insurance carrier for the 2010/2011 school year at a cost of \$3,800.00.(no increase over prior year)

- 45. Cooperative Pricing Program It is hereby moved that the Oradell Board of Education approve an agreement with the Educational Data Services Inc, for the district to participate in a cooperative pricing program for the 2010/2011 school year at an annual cost of \$2,480.00.(no increase over prior year)
- 46. Cash Management It is hereby moved that the Oradell Board of Education authorizes the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to perform the following:
- a. Transfer funds among the various bank accounts of the District.
- b. Transfer line item accounts among the various budgetary accounts.
- c. Invest school funds as The Investment Officer of the Board, as permitted by statute.
- d. Make payment on the Bills and Claims, prior to their approval by the Board when it is deemed necessary, and then present them for approval at the next Board Meeting.
- 47. Procurement of Goods/Services It is hereby moved, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, in concert with the Business Administrator, that the Board authorizes the procurement of goods and services from the following vendors through the state agency for the 2010/2011 school year as provided for in Title 18A:18A-10 without advertising for bids, or after having rejected all bids obtained pursuant to advertising.

Vendor	State Contract #			
Apple Computer	81253			
Cascade	65589			
Dell	70256			
Lee Distributors	56314			
Promedia	81225, T0483			
Stewart Industries	46727,46624			
Xerox	51145, 64042			
Pitney Bowes	63753			
School Specialty	65606			
Tanner	69948			
W.W. Grainger	72605			

On a motion by Mr. Samuel, seconded by Dr. Westlake and carried 8-0 (Mrs. Norian absent) the Board approved #48.

48. Code of Ethics – It is hereby moved, that the Board adopts the following Code of Ethics developed by the New Jersey School Boards Association as the code to which each Oradell Board Member subscribes:

I will uphold and enforce all laws, state board rules and regulations, and court orders pertaining to schools. Desired changes should be brought about only through legal and ethical procedures.

I will make decisions in terms of the educational welfare of children and will seek to develop and maintain public schools which meet the individual needs of all children regardless of their ability, race, creed, sex or social standing.

I will confine my board action to policymaking, planning, and appraisal and I will help to frame policies and plans only after the board has consulted those who will be affected by them.

I will carry out my responsibility, not to administer the schools, but, together with my fellow board members, to see that they are well run.

I will recognize that authority rests with the board of education and will make no personal promises nor take any private action which may compromise the board.

I will refuse to surrender my independent judgment to special interest or partisan political groups or to use the schools for personal gain or for the gain of friends.

I will hold confidential all matters pertaining to the schools which, if disclosed, would needlessly injure individuals or the schools. But in all other matters, I will provide accurate information and, in concert with my fellow board members, interpret to the staff the aspirations of the community for its schools.

I will vote to appoint the best qualified personnel available after consideration of the recommendation of the chief administrative officer.

I will support and protect school personnel in proper performance of their duties.

I will refer all complaints to the chief administrative officer and will act on such complaints at public meetings only after failure of an administrative solution.

VIII. On a motion by Mr. Ferrante, seconded by Mr. Murphy the meeting adjourned at 8:23 pm.

REGULAR SESSION MEETING April 28, 2010

- I. The meeting was CALLED TO ORDER at 8:25 p.m. by President Watson-Nichols.
- II. The FLAG SALUTE was waived.
- III. The SUNSHINE LAW STATEMENT was read by President Watson-Nichols.

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Adopted by the Oradell Board of Education August 27, 2008

#### V. ROLL CALL

**Present:** Mr. Ferrante, Mr. Gardner Mr. Murphy, Mrs. Norian arrived at 8:50 p.m., Mr. Samuel, Mr. Walsh, Dr. Westlake, Mrs. Robertson, Mrs. Watson-Nichols

Also present: Dr. Maria Nuccetelli, Interim Superintendent, Ms. Rita Cioppi, Business Administrator/Board Secretary, Mr. Thomas Santagato, Supervisor of Special Services and approximately 13 members of the public.

# VI. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

Lisa Taglioni asked a question concerning the new Integrated Preschool Program and Mrs. Watson-Nichols asked that she hold her question until after the presentation being given that evening.

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

Dr. Maria Nuccetelli, Interim-Superintendent discussed the following:

2010-2011 Budget. The Community of Oradell citizens supported the 2010-2011 budget last Tuesday by a vote of 905-657. The Board, administration and staff would like to thank you on behalf of our students. With the approval of our budget, the district now has a definite blueprint for spending our resources for the

upcoming school year. It is important to provide the resources necessary for supporting student achievement and we commend the town for providing that support.

- Integrated Classroom On tonight's agenda, the Board of Education will be considering the creation of an Integrated classroom Program for three and four year olds who reside in Oradell for the 2010-2011 school year. This program will provide our regular education students of this age with an opportunity to attend a tuition based program with our pre-school handicapped students. This program will provide instruction based on a rigorous regular pre-school curriculum designed for promoting student achievement for all students at these age levels. An information meeting is scheduled for May 4 at 7:00 pm in the Oradell School Auditorium. Please plan on attending to learn about this program.
- School Pictures Since good weather prevailed, the Annual Staff Photo was taken today in front of the school. The Oradell PTA provides this service and a copy of the photo is given to all staff members in the photo at no cost.
- NJASK Grades 5&6 Parents and students are reminded that these tests are scheduled to be given next week. We encourage all students to come to school prepared to do well on the test. It is suggested that students be encouraged to get a good night's sleep and eat a healthy breakfast to be in peak performance mode.

Mr. Thomas Santagato, Supervisor of Special Services gave a presentation to the Board and public on the new Integrated Preschool Program.

Lisa Taglioni and Nancy Olson (public members) had questions concerning the program. Clarification was needed to help the public to understand how the program works, if the school had the room and capability of handling this type of class, and how the blend of regular and disabled students would work in the classroom setting.

Board members also had similar questions that were answered by Mr. Santagato.

#### VIII. MINUTES

REVIEW OF MEETING MINUTES - None at this time

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – On a motion by Mr. Walsh, seconded by Mr. Ferrante and carried 8-0 (Mrs. Norian absent, Mr. Ferrante abstained on the March 31, 2010 Minutes) the board approved the following:

March 11, 2010 Closed Session, Work Session

• March 24, 2010 Regular Session

• March 31, 2010 Budget Presentation/Public Hearing

## IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS/ACTION

- A. BI-BOROUGH/SHARED SERVICES Dr. Westlake, Interim Chairperson stated that a meeting would be held on May 13, 2010 at 7:00 pm in River Edge.
- B. BUILDINGS & GROUNDS/SAFETY Mr. Murphy, Interim Chairperson
- C. CURRICULUM Mrs. Robertson, Interim Chairperson
  On a motion by Mrs. Robertson, seconded by Dr. Westlake and carried 9-0
  the board approved C1, C2, C3, C4.
  - 1. Park Academy Field Trip It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent that the Board approves the following Park Academy student field trip for the 2009-2010 school year:

**Date:** June  $3^{rd}$ , 2010 - 9:15 A.M.-1:15 P.M.

**Program:** Therapeutic Adventure – Bergen County Special Services, Rockleigh, NJ. Structured, sequential program consisting of physical activities and group counseling that promote positive peer interactions.

Costs: Admission fee: \$450.00; Busing cost: \$175.00.

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 2009/10 budget.

2. Approval of Field Trip 2009/2010 School Year - It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, that the Board approves the following field trip:

Grade	Destination	Date	
Grade 4	Bergen Performing Arts	5/18/10	

- 3. Integrated Pre-School Program for the 2010-2011 School Year It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, that the Board approves the implementation of the Integrated Preschool Program for three and four year-olds for the 2010/2011 school year.
- 4. Schaefer Explorations 2010- It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, that the Board approves the implementation of the 2010 Schaefer Summer Explorations Program from June 28, 2010 to July 23, 2010 (to be housed in the Oradell Public School.).

D. FINANCE/TECHNOLOGY – Mr. Samuel, Interim Chairperson thanked the community for passing the budget. He stated that next year would be rough and that the board and administration should start now to help keep the finances in line. He also asked Ms. Cioppi, Business Administrator/Board Secretary to be more physically sound considering what may lie ahead for the next budget year. Mr. Samuel also thanked OK Kids for their grant money.

# On a motion by Mr. Samuel seconded by Mr. Ferrante and carried 9-0, the board approved D1, D2, and D3.

- Transfer of Funds It is hereby moved upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, that the Board approve the attached transfer list in accordance with Title 18A:22-8.1 and furthermore designates the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to make budget transfers between line items, and to make additional transfers as necessary between monthly meetings of the Board.
- 2. Payment of Invoices It is hereby moved that the invoices for the period of March 25, 2010 through April 28, 2010 be retroactively approved as follows:

Fund 10 (General Current Expense	\$	957,847.45
Fund 12 (Capital Outlay)	\$	0.00
Fund 20 (Special Revenue Funds)	\$	22,549.24
Fund 30 (Capital Projects Funds)	\$	0.00
Fund 40 (Debt Service Fund)	\$	2,062.50
Fund 50 (Summer School)	\$	0.00
Fund 51 (Region V)	\$	0.00
Fund 55 (Milk)	\$	0.00
Fund 63 (Schaefer Explorations)	\$	0.00
Fund 64 (Ntl School Lunch Prog)	\$	775.41
Fund 65 (Park Academy)	\$_	32,609.53
Total	\$1	,015,844.13

- 3. Acceptance of Oradell Kids Foundation Mini-Grant Funds for the 2009/2010 school year- It is hereby moved upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, that the Board accepts with deep appreciation OK Foundation Mini-Grant funds for the additional cost of shipping charges in the amount of \$54.24 for the Climbing Wall which was Board approved on February 24, 2010.
- E. PERSONNEL /NEGOTIATIONS—Mrs. Watson-Nichols, Interim Chairperson On a motion by Mrs. Robertson, seconded by Mr. Ferrante and carried 9-0, the board approved E1,E, E3, E4.
  - 1. Approval of Substitute Teachers for the 2009/10 School Year It is hereby moved, upon the recommendation of the Interim

Superintendent, that the Board approve the appointment of the following individuals as substitute teachers for the 2009/10 school year, at a per diem rate of \$80.00 which increases to \$85.00 per day after the 10<sup>th</sup> day of service during the 2009/10 school year:

#### Jessica Bova

- 2. Approval of Replacement Teacher It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, that the Board approves Hera Yang (MA, Step 3) as Leave Replacement Teacher, due to the resignation of Nancy Treby for the 2010/2011 school year. Until a contract agreement is ratified for the 2010/11 school year by the Oradell Board of Education and the Oradell Education Association, salary and incremental step will be the same as the 2009/10 annual salary. All adjustments will be made after settlement of the new contract.
- 3. Approval of Additional Personal Leave—It is hereby moved, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, that the Board grants additional personal leave for Susan Confrancisco from April 21, 2010 to April 23, 2010.
- 4. Approval of Additional Personal Leave—It is hereby moved, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, that the Board grants additional personal leave minus substitute pay for Amy Kennedy from April 19, 2010 to April 23, 2010.

On a motion by Mr. Ferrante, seconded by Mr. Murphy the Board went into closed session to discuss personnel at 9:00 pm.

On a motion by Mr. Samuel, seconded by Mrs. Watson-Nichols the Board resumed the regular board meeting at 9:10 pm.

- F. POLICY Mr. Ferrante, Interim Chairperson said he was working on updating the policies with regulations by December 2010.
- G. PUBLIC RELATIONS/NJQSAC Mrs. Norian, Interim Chairperson said that she needed to meet with the Interim Superintendent to go over the community survey.
- H. NJSBA/BCSBA DELEGATE REPORT Mr. Walsh, Delegate said he was going to attend the Delegate meeting on May 15<sup>th</sup>.
- I. KEY COMMUNICATORS Mrs. Norian
- X. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC None at this time

#### XI. OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Samuel requested a copy of the Tri-District expenditures. Dr. Nuccetelli mentioned that it was given out at a previous meeting but would gladly have another copy emailed to him. He also asked for a copy of the OPS data from Mrs. S. Lynch.

#### XII. NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Murphy said the cost to educate students is high and asked the Administration to make sure that all the students in the school are not only residents of Oradell but are also eligible to be in the classroom. Dr. Nuccetelli assured Mr. Murphy that the students in the Oradell school are both eligible and are residents, but that she would put it into policy.

Mrs. Robertson asked Buildings & Grounds to come up with a way to stop people from using the outside gym doors. She asked if an alarm could be installed on the doors. Mr. Murphy responded that he would check into it.

Mrs. Robertson also asked if the board would like to contribute toward an ad in the memory book. It would cost about \$150 for the ad.

On a motion by Mr. Murphy seconded by Mr. Samuel and carried 9-0, the board approved to put an ad in the 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Memory book.

### XIII. CLOSED SESSION (IF NECESSARY)

It is hereby moved that the Board of Education retire to Closed Session.

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. On a motion by Mr. Ferrante, seconded by Dr. Westlake the meeting adjourned at 9:20p.m

Respectfully submitted,

Rita Cioppi Business Administrator/Board Secretary