

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

**PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING
Oradell Borough Hall – Council Chambers
MARCH 23, 2011**

MINUTES

- I.** The meeting was **CALLED TO ORDER** at 7:38 pm by President Watson-Nichols.
- II.** The **FLAG SALUTE** was led by Mr. Samuel.
- III.** The **SUNSHINE LAW STATEMENT** was read by President Watson-Nichols.

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 Record and Town News and all persons requesting such notice.

- IV.** The **MISSION STATEMENT** was read by Vice-President 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. Derian, Mr. Ferrante, Mrs. Norian, Mr. Samuel, Mrs. Walker, Mr. Walsh, Dr. Westlake, Mrs. Robertson, Mrs. Watson-Nichols

Absent: None

Also present were Dr. Maria Nuccetelli, Interim Superintendent, Ms. Rita Cioppi, Business Administrator/Board Secretary, Mr. W. Scott Ryan, Principal, Mr. Thomas Santagato, Director of Special Education, Mr. John Norton, Assistant Principal and approximately 30 members of the public.

VI. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

Mrs. Walker asked Dr. Nuccetelli to discuss the new science consultant position.

Mr. Scott Duthie, OPS Teacher asked the Business Administrator how much the health benefits increased over last year, what is in the 2011-2012 Budget. Ms. Cioppi responded 12% increase in health and 15% increase for the RX portion. Mr. Duthie also

asked what percentage increase was put into the 2011-2012 Budget for salaries. Dr. Nuccetelli responded that since OPS is still in negotiations, we could not answer that question at this time.

Mr. Samuel commended the Superintendent, Business Administrator for keeping the district intact with no significant impact.

President Watson-Nichols commended the Superintendent and Business Administrator for an excellent job putting the 2011-2012 Budget together. She knew a lot of work went on behind the scenes with all the government changes in place.

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

- 2011-2012 Power Point Budget Presentation was given by Dr. Maria Nuccetelli.

On a motion by Mr. Samuel, seconded by Mr. Ferrante and carried by roll call vote 9-0, the board approved and adopted the 2011-2012 School Budget.

1. Budget Adoption 2011-2012: It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent that the Oradell Board of Education approve/adopt a 2011/2012 school district budget for submission to the voters as follows:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Oradell Business Administrator/Board Secretary be authorized to place the following question on the ballot for the April 27, 2011 school budget election:

	<u>Local Tax Levy</u>	<u>Budget</u>
General Fund	\$ 9,653,205	\$10,097,001
Debt Service Fund	\$ 570,501	\$ 570,501
Totals	\$ 10,223,706	\$10,667,502

That there should be raised for General Funds \$9,653,205 for the ensuing School Year (2011-2012).

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

IX. NEW BUSINESS

X. *On a motion by Mrs. Norian, seconded by Mr. Samuel, the public hearing meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.*

Respectfully submitted,



Rita Cioppi
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

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

**REGULAR MEETING
Oradell Borough Hall – Council Chambers
MARCH 23, 2011
Immediately Following Budget Hearing
MINUTES**

- I. The meeting was **CALLED TO ORDER** at 8:05 pm by President Watson-Nichols.
- II. **FLAG SALUTE** – read during Public Hearing
- III. **SUNSHINE LAW STATEMENT** – read during Public Hearing

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 Record and Town News and all persons requesting such notice.

- IV. **MISSION STATEMENT** – read during Public Hearing

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- V. **ROLL CALL**

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

Absent: None

Also present were Dr. Maria Nuccetelli, Interim Superintendent, Ms. Rita Cioppi, Business Administrator/Board Secretary, and approximately 30 members of the public.

- VI. **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT/BOARD PRESIDENT'S REMARKS**

Dr. Nuccetelli spoke about the following items:

- 2011-2012 Budget – Tonight we had our public hearing on the 2011-2012 budget and the Board of Education adopted the final budget to present to the voters on April 27th.
- Community Planning Initiative – Sousa and Stern (consultants) will be presenting the information on this initiative from our January 22 meeting. This will assist the district and community as we plan for the future of OPS.

- Shared Services – the Borough and Board of Education through their respective administrators have been engaged in discussions on how we can work together in certain areas to possibly realize some savings.
- OPS Report Card – the staff and administration of OP have been working on computerized report cards for the last several months. The draft report cards have been shared with RealTime, our computer software provider, and it appears they will be in place for the 2011-2012 school year.
- The next Board meeting will be Wednesday, April 13, 2011 at 7:30 pm in the IMC.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

President Watson-Nichols discussed the following items:

- Oradell Kids Memory Book – anyone participating please give in your money.
- Mrs. Watson-Nichols presented a plaque to Mr. Garrie Murphy, former Board Member for his service on the Board of Education. He put a lot of time and work into the Building & Grounds area and into the district which was greatly appreciated. Members of the Board commended Mr. Murphy for all the time and effort he put into the district. Mr. Murphy thanked everyone and said he truly loved his service and highly recommended the members of the public to be a part of the Oradell Board of Education because of the wonderful experience he had.

VII. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

Mr. Scott Duthie, OPS Teacher – the OEA is currently working on negotiations for two years now and it has been assigned to a state mediator. He spoke of the dedication of the teaching staff and their responsibility to the students and how spirits would be dampened if they don't settle soon.

Mrs. Amy Kennedy asked if the people present at the planning committee would receive a report.

Mrs. Mary Lang said the social climate at the community planning seminar was great. She encouraged the board to look at the challenges mentioned and support the children.

VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS/ACTION

- TRI-DISTRICT/SHARED SERVICES** - Dr. Westlake, Chairperson reported that the next meeting is scheduled for April 14, 2011.
- BUILDINGS & GROUNDS/SAFETY** – Mr. Derian, Chairperson-No Report
- CURRICULUM** - Mrs. Robertson, Chairperson
Mr. Samuel asked if there were any significant changes in this Professional Development Plan and what was the deadline.

On a motion by Mrs. Robertson, seconded by Mr. Walsh and carried 9-0, the board approved C1.

1. Approval of Professional Development Plan for the 2010-2012 School Years – It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent that the Board approves the Professional Development Plan for the 2010-2012 School Years.

D. FINANCE/TECHNOLOGY – Mr. Samuel, Chairperson

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

1. Monthly Certifications –The Financial Reports of the Board Secretary and Treasurer of School Moneys for the month end February 2011, 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 2010/2011 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 month of March 2011 be retroactively approved as follows:

Fund 10 (<i>General Current Expense</i>)	\$636,992.12
Fund 12 (<i>Capital Outlay</i>)	\$ 0.00
Fund 20 (<i>Special Revenue Funds</i>)	\$ 53,075.56
Fund 30 (<i>Capital Projects Funds</i>)	\$ 1,000.00
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 60 (<i>Integrated PreSchool</i>)	\$ 4,078.20
Fund 63 (<i>Schaefer Explorations</i>)	\$ 0.00
Fund 64 (<i>Ntl School Lunch Prog</i>)	\$ 452.16
Total	\$ 695,598.04

E. PERSONNEL /NEGOTIATIONS– Mr. Walsh, Chairperson

Upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, a motion by Mr. Walsh, seconded by Mr. Samuel and carried by roll call vote, the board approved E1 (Mrs. Robertson voted no, Mrs. Watson Nichols abstained)E2, E3, E4, E5,E6, E7, E8 (Mr. Walsh abstained).

1. Amend NJASK Prep Course/Teachers– It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent that the Board amend the previously approved resolutions (IX-C2, March 2, 2011 and IX-C3, March 2, 2011) to reflect that the following staff members will provide 15 sessions of NJASK After School Test Prep Instruction at a rate of \$45.00 and 7.5 hours of prep time over the 8 week period at a rate of \$20.00 per/hr for the below listed staff members:

Melissa Pizza
Jen Amoroso

**Jill Jengo
Patty Cuddy
Donna Smith
Gail Tobey
Katherine Rasovic
Lesley Maklin
Kevin Stokes**

2. **Approval of Part-time Nurse Aide for the 2010/2011 School Year - It is hereby moved upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, that the Board approves the appointment of Karen DuPol, Part-time Nurse Aide at an hourly rate of \$24 per hour, 9 hours per week. Effective date of hire pending receipt of the Criminal History Review Process.**
3. **Approval of Part-time Nurse Aide for the 2010/2011 School Year - It is hereby moved upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, that the Board approves the appointment of Susan Cohen, Part-time Nurse Aide at an hourly rate of \$24 per hour, 6 hours per week. Effective date of hire pending receipt of the Criminal History Review Process.**
4. **Approval of Substitute Nurse for the 2010/2011 School Year - It is hereby moved upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent that the Board approves Karen DuPol as substitute school nurse for the 2010/2011 school year, pending receipt of the Criminal History Review Process.**
5. **Approval of Substitute Nurse Aides for the 2010/2011 School Year - It is hereby moved, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent that the Board approves the appointment of the following individuals as substitute nurse aides for the 2010/2011 school year, pending receipt of the Criminal History Review Process:**

**Karen DuPol
Susan Cohen**
6. **Approval of Science Consultant for the 2010/2011 School Year - It is hereby moved, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent that the Board approves the appointment of the Albert Ruffini, Science Consultant, at a rate of \$200.00 per day, 10 days maximum, effective March 24, 2011 to June 30, 2011.**
7. **Approval of Oradell Public School Organizational Chart - It is hereby moved, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent that the Board approves the attached Organizational Chart of the Oradell Public School.**
8. **Conferences/Workshops 2010/2011 School Year – It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Interim 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: Dr. Maria Nuccetelli/Albert Ruffini

Conference/Seminar/Workshop: Bergen Educator's Science Curriculum Workshop

Date: March 31, 2011
Location: Paramus, NJ
Registration Fee: None
Mileage and Tolls: \$2.99

Name: Joan Arfsten
Conference/Seminar/Workshop: Bergen Educator's Science Curriculum Workshop
Date: March 31, 2011
Location: Paramus, NJ
Registration Fee: None
Mileage and Tolls: \$2.99

Name: Scott Durling
Conference/Seminar/Workshop: Bergen Educator's Science Curriculum Workshop
Date: March 31, 2011
Location: Paramus, NJ
Registration Fee: None
Mileage and Tolls: \$2.99

Name: Jennifer Amoroso
Conference/Seminar/Workshop: Bergen Educator's Math Curriculum Workshop
Date: April 27, 2011
Location: Paramus, NJ
Registration Fee: None
Mileage and Tolls: \$2.99

Name: Linda Masiello
Conference/Seminar/Workshop: Bergen Educator's Math Curriculum Workshop
Date: April 27, 2011
Location: Paramus, NJ
Registration Fee: None
Mileage and Tolls: \$2.99

Name: Patricia Cuddy
Conference/Seminar/Workshop: Bergen Educator's Math Curriculum Workshop
Date: April 27, 2011
Location: Paramus, NJ
Registration Fee: None
Mileage and Tolls: \$2.99

Mr. Walsh was approved to attend the Odyssey of the Mind, State Tournament, to participate as a judge on April 9, 2011 in Ewing NJ. Travel reimbursement not to exceed \$50.00.

F. POLICY – Mr. Ferrante, Chairperson
Mrs. Walker gave a summary of the policy committee meeting.

1. First Reading of Policies - It is hereby moved that the Board accepts the first reading of the following policies:

3320 Purchasing Procedures (revised)
5131 Conduct/Discipline
5131.1 Harassment, Intimidation or Bullying

G. PUBLIC RELATIONS/KEY COMMUNICATORS – Mrs. Norian Chairperson

- Report on Community Planning Meeting by Sousa & Stern, Consultants

H. NJSBA/BCSBA DELEGATE REPORT – Mr. Walsh, Delegate stated that he would be attending the meeting on Saturday, March 26, 2011.

IX. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC – not at this time

X. OLD BUSINESS

Dr. Nuccetelli clarified the nursing services from E2, E3, and E4 and that OPS has adequate coverage.

Mrs. Walker said there were many good parts to the challenges from the Community Planning seminar. It was a rewarding experience and it would be great if we could continue in that experience.

XI. NEW BUSINESS

Mrs. Walker read an article on bullying and suggested, if age appropriate, maybe we could use it or pass it on to the High School.

President Watson-Nichols responded to Mr. Duthie stating that in January 2010 there were two meetings. The Board of Education wants to reach a conclusion. We are willing to meet any time. President Watson-Nichols said she was under the impression that the negotiation process was going to continue even though a mediator was appointed.

XII. CLOSED SESSION – None at this time

XIII. A motion by Dr. Westlake, seconded by Mrs. Norian the meeting adjourned at 8:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Rita Cioppi
Business Administrator/Board Secretary