

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

**BOARD RETREAT
River Dell Middle School Conference Room
AUGUST 22, 2012**

MINUTES

- I. The meeting was **CALLED TO ORDER** at 6:05 P.M. by President Watson-Nichols.
- II. The **FLAG SALUTE** was led by Mr. Walsh.
- 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 President Watson-Nichols.

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, Mr. Samuel, Mrs. Walker, Mr. Walsh,
Mrs. Robertson, Mrs. Watson-Nichols
Absent: Mrs. Norian, Dr. Westlake

Also present were Dr. Jeffery Feifer, Interim Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Alfredo Aguilar, Business Administrator/Board Secretary, Ms. Jane Kershner, NJSBA Field Representative.

- VI. **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

- VII. **BOARD PRESIDENT'S REMARKS**

Ms. Kershner informed the board that Mr. Al Annunziata will be our NJSBA field representative.

Board members discussed the following topics: micromanaging, committee meeting structure, outreach with the public, communication strategies, etc.

Ms. Jane Kershner, NJSBA Facilitator will conduct the annual Board Retreat with the Board and administrators regarding the following:

- Update on the Board Goals
- Board Self-Evaluation

The Board asked the Dr. Aguilar to check with NJSBA if Oradell is certified in order to get a discount in NJSBA dues.

VIII. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS/ACTION

X. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

XI. OLD BUSINESS

XII. NEW BUSINESS

XIII. CLOSED SESSION – A motion by Mr. Walsh, seconded by Mr. Samuel and carried, the board entered into closed session at 8:20 p.m.

XIV. The meeting adjourned at 8:59 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Alfredo Aguilar, Ed. D.
Business Administrator/Board Secretary