# ORADELL BOARD OF EDUCATION ORADELL, NEW JERSEY 07649

# PUBLIC WORK/BUSINESS SESSION MEETING Oradell Public School Library/Media Center APRIL 30, 2014

# **MINUTES**

- I. The meeting was called to order at 7:47 pm by President Watson-Nichols.
- II. The Flag Salute was led by Mr. Oddo.
- 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 <u>The Record</u> and <u>Town News</u> 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. Derian, Mrs. Norian, Mr. Oddo, Mrs. Robertson, Mrs. Walker, Mr. Walsh,

Dr. Westlake, Mr. Samuel, Mrs. Watson-Nichols

Absent: None

Also present were Mr. Lawrence Hughes, Interim Superintendent, Mr. Bert Arifaj, Business Administrator/Board Secretary, Ms. Megan Bozios, Principal, and approximately 10 members of the public.

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

Ms. Bozios acknowledged OK Kids and their generous contributions to the district. Mr. Craig Schuster from OK Kids spoke about the event on Saturday May 10.

## VII. BOARD PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

#### VIII. INTERIM SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

A. Information/Discussion Items

## IX. BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

A. Information/Discussion Items

## X. MINUTES

REVIEW OF MINUTES – None at this time

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES – A motion by Mr. Walsh, seconded by Dr. Westlake and carried, the Board approved the following minutes:

March 12, 2014 Public Business Session, Closed Sessions
 March 26, 2014 Public Business Session, Closed Session

### XI. COMMITTEE REPORTS/ACTION

A. TRI-DISTRICT/SHARED SERVICES – Dr. Westlake, Chairperson stated a meeting is scheduled for May 8, 2014 at 7:00 PM.

B. BUILDINGS & GROUNDS/SAFETY – Mr. Derian, Chairperson Mrs. Robertson inquired about the Spring Fling's request to use the facilities for two days. Ms. Bozios responded.

A motion by Mr. Derian, seconded by Mr. Walsh and carried by roll call vote 9-0, the Board approved B1.

1. Use of School Facilities – It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, that the Board of Education approve the following requests for use of school facilities for the 2013-2014 School Year:

Organization	Event	Area of Building	Dates	Time	Custodian O/T to be paid by the district	Custodian O/T to be paid by the organization
*Oradell PTA	Teacher Appreciation Luncheon- Clean Up	MPR D	May 6, 2014	1:30-3:00 PM	-0-	-0-
*6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Parents Committee	Spring Fling set up	MPR BCD MPR BCD	June 5, 2014 June 6, 2014	2:30-6:00 PM	-0-	-0-
Committee	Spring Fling	MFK BCD	Julie 0, 2014	2:30-11:30 PM	-0-	-0-
*Odyssey of the Mind Teams	Practice	MPR C & D	May 3, 2014	9AM -1PM	5 hrs. @ \$44.51 for a total of \$222.55	-0-
			May 24,2014	9AM-2PM	-0-	-0-

<sup>\*</sup>no charge to use the facilities

C. CURRICULUM – Mrs. Walker, Chairperson

Mr. Walsh inquired about additional fundraising for the Odyssey trip.

A motion by Mrs. Walker, seconded by Dr. Westlake and carried by roll call vote 9-0, the Board approved C1.

1. Approval of Odyssey of the Mind World Finals – It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent that the Board approves the Odyssey of the Mind World Finals Trip to Iowa State University from May 26, 2014-May 31, 2014 and expenses as follows:

Teacher Stipend	\$1,200.00 (1 Teacher @\$150 x8 overnights/weekends)
Teacher Housing	\$ 655.00 (1 Teacher @ \$655.00)
Student Food/Housing	\$3,641.00 (11 students @\$331.00 per student)
Property Transportation	\$3,000.00
TOTAL	\$8,496.00

- D. FINANCE/TECHNOLOGY Mr. Samuel, Chairperson
  - A motion by Mr. Samuel, seconded by Mr. Walsh and carried by roll call vote 9-0, the Board approved D1, D2, D3, D4.
    - 1. Monthly Certifications –The Financial Reports of the Board Secretary and Treasurer of School Moneys for the month end March 2014, 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 2013-2014 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 2014 be retroactively approved as follows:

Fund 10 (General Current Expense)	\$	986,058.26
Fund 12 (Capital Outlay)	\$	0.00
Fund 20 (Special Revenue Fund)	\$	34,884.49
Fund 30 (Capital Projects Funds)	\$	0.00
Fund 40 (Debt Service Fund)	\$	0.00
Fund 50 (Summer School)	\$	0.00
Fund 51 (Region V)	\$	0.00
Fund 55 (Milk)	\$	0.00
Fund 60 (Integrated PreSchool)	\$	0.00
Fund 63	\$	0.00
Fund 64 (Ntl School Lunch Prog)	\$	590.37
Fund 65	\$	0.00
Total	\$ .	1,021,533.12

- 3. Transfer of Funds It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, that the Board approves the attached transfer lists 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.
- 4. Acceptance of Mini-Grant from Oradell PTA It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent that the Board accepts with gratitude, a mini-grant from the Oradell PTA as follows:

Grade	Mini Use Grant -Event	Mini Grant Amount
KDG	Energy & Motion Science Program	\$841.50

- E. PERSONNEL Mrs. Robertson, Chairperson A motion by Mrs. Robertson, seconded by Dr. Westlake and carried by roll call vote 9-0, the Board approved E1, E2, E3, E4, E5, E6, E7.
  - 1. Acceptance of Resignation It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent that the Board accepts with regret, the resignation of Michele Mele, Pre-K teacher, effective June 30, 2014 for the purpose of retirement.
  - 2. Approval of Leave of Absence It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent that the Board approves the leave of absence for Jennifer Amoroso from May 1, 2014 to September 1, 2014 (without benefits).
  - 3. Approval of Long Term Leave of Absence Replacement Teacher for the 2013-2014 School Year It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, that the Board approves Sheryl Eaton as a long term leave of absence replacement teacher (for Jennifer Amoroso Grade 4) from May 2, 2014 through June 20, 2014.
  - 4. Approval of 2014 Substitute Summer Custodians It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, that the Board approves the following 2014 substitute summer custodian at an hourly rate of \$ 9.50:

Nicole Williamson\* pending criminal history review

5. Approval of Workshops/Conferences for the 2013-2014 School Year – It is hereby moved, upon recommendation from the Interim Superintendent, that the Board approves the following Workshops/Conferences:

Attendee	Conference/Workshop	Location	Date(s)	Cost	Travel
Lawrence	Odyssey of the Mind –	Ewing, NJ	4/12/14	\$0	\$52.10
Hughes	State Finals				
Barbara	NJASBO-Central Office	Rockaway, NJ	05/13/14	\$50.00	\$21.57
Barbagallo	Administrative Assistants				
	Workshop				

- 6. Amend previously approved resolution It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent that the Board amends resolution E13 approved on 7/24/13 to include the appointment of Michael Rinderknecht, as Professional Consultant (in place of DR when not available), not to exceed five days.
- 7. Approval of Sabbatical Leave of Absence It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent that the Board approves the sabbatical leave of absence for Carol Blakeslee for the 2014/2015 School Year without pay and health benefits.
- F. POLICY Mr. Oddo, Chairperson- No Report
- G. PUBLIC RELATIONS Mrs. Norian, Chairperson No Report
- H. NJSBA/BCSBA DELEGATE REPORT Mr. Walsh, Delegate reported that he will attend the Legislative Meeting on May 3, 2014 and Legislative Day on June 5, 2014.

### XII. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

### XIII. OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Walsh asked to attend the May 6, 2014 NJSBA meeting.

Mr. Samuel questioned the panel display and LinkIt.

President Watson-Nichols spoke about the agreement with the OEA and stated that the OEA is meeting to discuss the agreement on May 8, 2014.

### XIV. NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Derian spoke about the NJSBA policy regarding technology in education.

Mr. Hughes spoke about the NJSBA support of the elimination of the Superintendent Salary Cap.

XV. CLOSED SESSION – A motion by Dr. Westlake, seconded by Mrs. Norian the board entered into 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.

XVI. A motion by Mrs. Norian, seconded by Mrs. Walker, the meeting adjourned at 9:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Bert Arifaj Business Administrator/Board Secretary