

**WEST ORANGE BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**Public Board Meeting – 8:00 p.m. – July 23, 2008**  
**ADMINISTRATION BUILDING**  
**179 Eagle Rock Avenue**

**Minutes**

**I. ROLL CALL OF THE MEMBERS AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**Present: Mrs. Casalino, Mrs. Tague, Mr. Petigrow, Mrs. Brill, Mrs. Lab**

**II. NOTICE OF MEETING:**

**Please note that adequate notice of this meeting has been provided as follows:**

**A. That a written notice was sent from the Office of the Secretary of the Board of Education at 4:00 p.m. on July 21, 2008.**

**B. That said notice was sent by regular mail to the Clerk of the Township of West Orange and the Editors of the West Orange Chronicle and the Star-Ledger.**

**C. That said notice was posted in the lobby of the Board's Administration Building.**

**III. CONSIDERATION OF THE CLOSED AND PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES OF July 17 and 21, 2008. (Att. #1)**

**MOTION: Mr. Petigrow**

**SECOND: Mrs. Brill**

**VOTE: 5-0 (VV)**

**IV. SUPERINTENDENT'S AND/OR BOARD'S REPORTS**

**V. REPORTS, DISCUSSIONS, AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

**A. PERSONNEL**

**1. Resignations**

- a.) Superintendent recommends approval of the following resignation(s):

Michelle McGowan, Mathematics Teacher, WOHS, effective 6/30/08

Meredith Jacobowitz, Special Education Teacher, Edison Middle School, effective 6/30/08

**2. Appointments**

- a.) Superintendent recommends approval of the following appointment(s) at the appropriate contractual rates:

Robert Middleton, Right to Know/Chemical Hygiene Officer for the 2008-2009 school year

Frances Neceskas, Provisional Teaching Program Coordinator, effective 7/1/08

The following addition(s) to the 2008-2009 Substitute List:

Darlene Sardinsky

Special Ed. – Pleasantdale

Stephanie Sisak, Earth Science Teacher, WOHS, effective 9/1/08

- b.) Superintendent recommends approval of the following appointment(s) at the appropriate contractual rates:

Alexis DeCarlo, Social Worker/Case Manager, effective 9/1/08

**3. Leave(s) of Absence**

- a.) Superintendent recommends approval of the following leave(s) of absence:

Paul Tavarone, Science Teacher, WOHS, Military Leave extension, effective 9/1/08-6/30/09

**Personnel – Items 1, 2a and 3**

**MOTION:** Mr. Petigrow      **SECOND:** Mrs. Tague      **VOTE:** 5-0 (RC)

**Personnel – Item 2b**

**MOTION:** Mr. Petigrow      **SECOND:** Mrs. Casalino      **VOTE:** 2-3 (RC)

**AYES:**      Mrs. Casalino, Mr. Petigrow

**NAYS:**      Mrs. Tague, Mrs. Brill, Mrs. Lab

**B. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION**

**C. FINANCE**

1. Recommend approval of 2008-2009 contracts for Dr. Donna Rando, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction, and Mark Kenney, Business Administrator/Board Secretary (Att. #2)
2. Recommend approval of the attached resolution requesting authorization to hire candidates on an emergency basis (Att. #4)
3. Recommend approval of transfer of funds under Title VI of the Administrative Code (Att. #5)
4. Recommend approval to establish Floater Nurse position at a salary not to exceed \$50,000 per annum.
5. Recommend approval of Contract for Sale of Real Estate between the West Orange Board of Education and Santo Commarato in the amount of \$150,000. (Att. #6)

**Finance – Items 1 through 5**

**MOTION:** Mr. Petigrow      **SECOND:** Mrs. Tague      **VOTE:** 5-0 (RC)

**D. REPORTS**

1. Annual School Board Ethics Training facilitated by Joanne Borin, Field Representative, New Jersey School Boards Association.

2. The Board acknowledges that Travel Expenses Policy #3290.00 be revised to reflect that such expenses be in accordance with applicable New Jersey statutes as evidenced in the attached. (Att. #3)
3. Annual School Board Meeting to develop and adopt District/Board Goals for 2008-2009.

**MOTION:** Mrs. Tague      **SECOND:** Mrs. Brill      **VOTE:** 5-0 (RC)

**VI. REPORTS FROM THE BOARD PRESIDENT AND/OR BOARD MEMBERS**

**VII. PETITIONS/PUBLIC COMMENTS AND HEARINGS OF CITIZENS**

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** Mrs. Tague      **SECOND:** Mrs. Lab      **VOTE:** 5-0 (VV)