

WEST ORANGE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Public Board Meeting - 8:00 p.m. – September 21, 2009
HAZEL AVENUE SCHOOL
45 Hazel Avenue

Minutes

I. ROLL CALL OF THE MEMBERS AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

II. NOTICE OF MEETING:

Please take notice that adequate notice of this meeting has been provided in the following manner:

- A. That a written notice was sent from the Office of the Secretary of the Board at 4:00 p.m. on May 6, 2009.
- B. That said notice was sent by regular mail to the West Orange Township Clerk and the Editors of the West Orange Chronicle and the Star-Ledger.
- C. That said notice was posted in the lobby of the Administration Building of the Board of Education.

III. CONSIDERATION OF THE CLOSED AND PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES OF August 17, 2009 (Att. #1)

MOTION: Mr. Petigrow **SECOND:** Mrs. Brill **VOTE:** 4-0 (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):

**Jessica Buttimore, Special Education Instructional Assistant,
Pleasantdale School, effective immediately**

Rosa Toriello, Lunch Aide, Redwood School, effective immediately

Patrick Galante, Dean of Students, WOHS, for retirement purposes, effective 12/31/09

John Nittolo, Principal, Gregory School, effective 10/27/09

2. Appointments

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

Gregory Kay, Special Education Instructional Assistant, (1:1 LLD Class), Gregory School, effective 9/1/09 (additional)

Wendy Wolgast, Dispatcher/Supervisor of Garage, Transportation Department, effective upon release from current contract (additional)

Rubby Rebolledo, Part-time Athletic Driver, Transportation Department, effective 9/24/09 (additional)

Leonard Corbosiero, Special Education Instructional Assistant, 1:1 Autistic, Pleasantdale School, effective upon completion of paperwork (additional)

Kerry McLaughlin, Special Education Instructional Assistant, PSH, Pleasantdale School, effective 9/1/09 (replacement)

Arielle Miller-Timen, Special Education Instructional Assistant, Autistic Class, Mt. Pleasant School, effective 9/1/09 (replacement)

Carly Lovejoy, Special Education Instructional Assistant, Pleasantdale School, PSH, effective 9/1/09 (replacement)

Shana Fox, Math Teacher, Liberty Middle School, effective 9/1/09 (maternity leave replacement)

Jennifer Barta, Grade 1 Teacher, Mt. Pleasant School, effective 9/1/09-1/1/10 (maternity leave replacement) (will return to position of Special Education Instructional Assistant upon completion of leave replacement)

Nicola Salese, Grade 5 Teacher, Gregory School, effective 9/1/09-12/31/09 (maternity leave replacement) (will return to position of Special Education Instructional Assistant upon completion of leave replacement)

Dianna Carpenito, Grade I Teacher, Mt. Pleasant School, effective 10/5/09-2/1/09 (maternity leave replacement) (will return to position of Instructional Assistant upon completion of leave replacement)

Deborah Bartley-Carter, Language Arts Supervisor, effective upon release from current district (replacement)

Rosa Santana, Lunch Aide, Hazel Avenue School, effective 9/21/09

Nick Galante, Interim Principal (Teacher in Charge), Pleasantdale School, effective 10/1/09

The following addition(s) to the 2009-2010 Substitute List:

Lourdes Chavez	9-12
Pierre McGuffie	6-12
Heather Yedwab	K-5
Brian Dillon	6-12 & Social Studies
Lauren Meehan	K-12
Mark Legatic	6-12
Bruce Pomeratz	K-5
Sarab Thapar	K-12
Adam Goskowski	K-12
Anthony O'Connor	K-12 & Music
Michael Serino	K-12
Ashwin Herekar	6-12 (Monday only)
Mark Perry	6-12 & Math
Leonard Lesnever	6-8
Mary-Lauri Bartola	K-3 & LMC
Steven Elizaire	K-12 & Social Studies
Michele Millelot	K-12
Celia Ginsburg	Pre-K-5
Erica Fisher	K-12 (Monday only)
Tim Rodner	Liberty Middle School
Dominique Kondreck	Nurse
Naureen Aamir	K-5
Chris Bleeke	6-10
Kathryn Chulik-Kuzniewski	K-12 & Science
Joseph Picataggio	WOHS
Adonis Sagalis	K-8
Latia Pender	Secretary (Friday only)

Substitute List 2009-2010 cont.

Louis Venturi	K-12
Sandra Palumbo	Secretary (Monday-Thursday)
Mary Kaspriskie	K-12
Leiza Silveira	Secretary
Louis Pascale	K-12
Germina Romain	K-5
Deborah Mitchell	K-5
Louis Wildstein	K-12 (excludes Math)
Kristyne Singer	K-12
Jessica Geronimo	K-5 & Spec. Ed.
Nicole Flynn	K-8
Bosede Alabi	K-5
Susan Moskowitz	K-5
Lydia Hill	K-5
Antoinette Cusimano	K-5 & Italian & Spanish
Toni Perna	K-12
Phillip Jones	K-12 & Fine Arts
Graves Gibson	K-9
Geri Farese	K-12
Michael Marini	WOHS
Gladys Gallardo (Marzano)	ESL K-12
Leo Loiacono	WOHS

Fine Arts Co-Curricular stipends for the 2009-2010 school year (Att. #2)

Staff members as instructors for Fall, 2009 Staff Development Program as per attached (Att. #3)

Staff to provide home instruction on an “as needed” basis for the 2009-2010 school year (Att. #4)

Joseph Picataggio, Volunteer Cross Country Coach, WOHS, Fall 2009

Doreen Continanza, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent of Schools, to receive stipend for the Professional Standard Certificate, National Association of Educational Office Personnel, effective 9/1/09

3. Leave(s) of Absence

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

Lisa Marx, Elementary Teacher, Mt. Pleasant School, maternity leave of absence, effective 9/1/09-1/4/10

Kathleen Gosselink, School Psychologist, medical leave of absence, effective 9/1/09-10/19/09 (or until released by doctor)

Gary Krajewski, Night Custodian, Washington School, medical leave of absence, effective 8/21/09 until paperwork is completed for permanent disability

Louis Pallante, Guidance Counselor, WOHS, medical leave of absence, effective 9/1/09 until released by doctor

Jennifer Imperial, Grade 1 Teacher, Pleasantdale School, maternity leave of absence, effective 10/5/09-1/29/10

Kathy Holloman, Business Education Teacher, Edison Middle School, maternity leave of absence, effective 11/16/09-3/12/10

Cecilia Pagan, Part-time Bus Monitor, Transportation Department, maternity leave of absence, effective 9/9/09 until further notice

Joyce Cutler, Supervisor, Health & Physical Education, maternity leave of absence, effective 11/2/09-2/15/10

4. Transfers

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

Luz Stella Vanegas, Night Shift Custodian, Liberty Middle School, to Mid Shift Custodian, Liberty Middle School, effective 9/8/09

- 5. Approval of the following unrecognized position titles: Director of Human Resources and Director of Student Support Services, for the 2009-2010 school year (Att. #5)**
- 6. Disposition of T.H. and S.E. as stipulated at the 8/17/09 closed meeting**
- 7. Disposition of M.L. as stipulated in closed session.**
- 8. Disposition of C.L. as stipulated in closed session.**
- 9. Approval of Dawn Brennan, Clerical Aide, Gregory School, to run the Before School Breakfast Program, effective 9/14/09**

Personnel – Items 1 through 8

MOTION: Mr. Petigrow

SECOND: Mrs. Brill

VOTE: 5-0 (RC)

Personnel – Item 9

Motion to table Item 9.

MOTION: Mr. Petigrow

SECOND: Mrs. Casalino

VOTE: 5-0 (RC)

B. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

1. Recommend approval of partnership between Bloomfield College and Redwood Elementary School to establish Teacher in Training Initiative. (Att. #6)
2. Recommend approval of Memorandum of Agreement Between Education and Law Enforcement Officials (Att. #7)
3. Recommend approval of Research Study Project for Joanne Kornoelje, Science Teacher at Edison Middle School, as per specifications in the attached (Att. #8)
4. Recommend approval of Elementary, Middle and High School field trips for the 2009-2010 school year (Att. #9)
5. Recommend approval of administration of PSAT Practice Test to West Orange High School sophomores by Kaplan on October 10, 2009 (Att. #10)
6. Recommend approval of Staff Development Program, Fall 2009 (Att. #11)
7. Recommend approval of Memorandum of Understanding issued by the State Department of Education for the establishment of an Educational Technology Training Center (ETTC) program. (Att. #12)
8. Recommend approval of educational partnership between West Orange High School and the School of Health Related Professions of the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey (UMDNJ-SHRP) (Att. #13)

Curriculum and Instruction – Items 1, 3, 5 through 8

MOTION: Mr. Petigrow

SECOND: Mrs. Brill

VOTE: 5-0 (RC)

Curriculum and Instruction – Items 2 and 4

MOTION: Mr. Petigrow

SECOND: Mrs. Casalino

VOTE: 3-2 (RC)

NAYS: Mrs. Lab and Mrs. Brill

C. FINANCE

1. Recommend approval of the attached resolution requesting authorization to hire candidates on an emergency basis (Att. #14)

2. **Recommend approval of the following Bills Lists: (Att. #15)**

8/14/09	\$ 119.50
8/18/09-9/18/09	\$1,335,048.30
9/21/09	\$7,936,689.99

3. **Recommend approval to receive students in the amount of \$185,725 for the 2009-2010 school year (Att. #16)**

4. **Recommend approval of resolution to join the North Jersey Educational Insurance Fund (NJEIF) for the period 7/1/09-6/30/12 (Att. #17)**

5. **Recommend approval of Xerox Configuration Change Agreement for the inclusion of Copier WC7425P for the period 8/1/09-4/30/12, with a monthly charge of \$449 (Att. #18)**

6. **Recommend approval of use of South Gym, North Gym, Cafeteria, and additional classrooms for M.A.I.N. Color Guard Competition January 23, 2010 (Att. #19)**

7. **Recommend approval of tuition and transportation for the 2009-2010 School Year Out-Of-District placements for the following students, in the amount of \$121,890 as per specifications in the attached (Att. #20):**

*Student #11-2009	*Student #124-2009
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8. **Recommend approval of renewal of service contract agreement with Communication Exchange LLC for speech therapy services for the 2009-2010 school year in an amount not to exceed \$8,000 (Att. #21)**

9. **Recommend approval to receive students residing in treatment homes in West Orange placed by the State of NJ Department of Human Services for the 2009-2010 school year (Att. #22)**

10. **Recommend approval of Parette & Somjen, Architects to prepare specifications for the cooperative agreement between the Township of West Orange and the West Orange School District for the Bleacher Project in the amount of \$31,500 (Att. #23)**

11. **Recommend approval of Performance Matters High Stakes Edition Data Analysis Software in the amount of \$16,780, for the period 11/1/09-6/30/10 (Att. #24)**

12. **Recommend approval to accept proposal for retail services provided by Essex Regional Educational Services Commission to assess effectiveness and efficiency of the District's Special Education and other relevant services (Att. #25)**

Finance – Items 1 and 3 through 12

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

Finance – Item 2 excluding check # 1278 P.O. #90-1430

MOTION: Mrs. Casalino **SECOND:** Mrs. Lab **VOTE:** 5-0 (RC)

Finance – Item 2 check # 1278 P.O. #90-1430

MOTION: Mrs. Casalino **SECOND:** Mrs. Lab **VOTE:** 4-1 (RC)
NAY: Mrs. Brill

D. REPORTS

VI. REPORT FROM THE BOARD PRESIDENT AND/OR BOARD MEMBERS

VII. MOTION FOR THE NEXT BOARD MEETING to be held at 6:00 p.m. on October 5, 2009 at St. Cloud Elementary School.

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

VIII. PETITIONS AND HEARINGS OF CITIZENS

IX. ADJOURNMENT at 11:16 p.m.

MOTION: Mr. Petigrow **SECOND:** Mrs. Brill **VOTE:** 5-0 (VV)