WEST ORANGE BOARD OF EDUCATION Special Board Meeting - 6:30 p.m. – June 19, 2019 West Orange High School 51 Conforti Avenue

Agenda

- I. ROLL CALL OF THE MEMBERS AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 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 June 11, 2019.
 - 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. PETITIONS AND HEARINGS OF CITIZENS
- IV. WEST ORANGE BOARD OF EDUCATION RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTIVE SESSION

WHEREAS, while the Sen. Byron M. Baer Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq.) requires all meetings of the West Orange Board of Education to be held in public, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b) sets forth nine (9) types of matters that may lawfully be discussed in "Executive Session," without the public being permitted to attend, and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that two (2) issues are permitted by N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b) to be discussed without the public in attendance and shall be discussed during an Executive Session to be held on Wednesday, June 19, 2019 at 6:35 P.M., and

WHEREAS, the nine (9) exceptions to open public meetings set forth in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b) are listed below, and next to each exception is a box which will be marked when the issues to be privately discussed fall within that exception, and after each exception is a space where additional information that will disclose as much information about the discussion as possible without undermining the purpose of the exception shall be written:

	"(1) Any matte	er which, by e	express provision	on of Federal law,	State statu	ite or rule o	of court
shall	be rendered co	onfidential or	excluded from	public discussion	n." The nat	ure of the	matter
descr	ibed as specific	ally as possib	le without und	ermining the need	I for confide	entiality is:	

	"(2) Any	matter in	which th	e release	e of information	n would impair	a right to	recei	ve funds
from	the federa	al governr	ment." Th	e nature	of the matter,	described as	specifically	y as	possible

without undermining the need for confidentiality is:

- "(3) Any material the disclosure of which constitutes an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy such as any records, data, reports, recommendations, or other personal material of any educational, training, social service, medical, health, custodial, child protection, rehabilitation, legal defense, welfare, housing, relocation, insurance and similar program or institution operated by a public body pertaining to any specific individual admitted to or served by such institution or program, including but not limited to information relative to the individual's personal and family circumstances, and any material pertaining to admission, discharge, treatment, progress or condition of any individual, unless the individual concerned (or, in the case of a minor or incompetent, his guardian) shall request in writing that the same be disclosed publicly." The nature of the matters, described as specifically as possible without undermining the need for confidentiality are: Student Hearing
- "(4) Any collective bargaining agreement, or the terms and conditions of which are proposed for inclusion in any collective bargaining agreement, including the negotiation of terms and conditions with employees or representatives of employees of the public body." The collective bargaining contract(s) discussed are between:
- "(5) Any matter involving the purchase, lease or acquisition of real property with public funds, the setting of bank rates or investment of public funds where it could adversely affect the public interest if discussion of such matters were disclosed." The nature of the matter, described as specifically as possible without undermining the need for confidentiality is:
- "(6) Any tactics and techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public provided that their disclosure could impair such protection. Any investigations of violations or possible violations of the law." The nature of the matter, described as specifically as possible without undermining the need for confidentiality is:
- "(7) Any pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation in which the public body is or may become a party. Any matters falling within the attorney-client privilege, to the extent that confidentiality is required in order for the attorney to exercise his ethical duties as a lawyer." The parties to and docket numbers of each item of litigation and/or the parties to each contract discussed are and the nature of the discussion, described as specifically as possible without undermining the need for confidentiality are: Architectural Firm Interviews.
- "(8) Any matter involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of the performance, promotion or disciplining of any specific prospective public officer or employee or current public officer or employee employed or appointed by the public body, unless all individual employees or appointees whose rights could be adversely affected request in writing that such matter or matters be discussed at a public meeting." Subject to the balancing of the public's interest and the employee's privacy rights under <u>South Jersey Publishing Co. v. New Jersey Expressway Authority</u>, 124 N.J. 478 (1991), the employee(s) and nature of the discussion, described as specifically as possible without undermining the need for confidentiality is:
- "(9) Any deliberation of a public body occurring after a public hearing that may result in the imposition of a specific civil penalty upon the responding party or the suspension or loss of

a license or permit belonging to the responding party as a result of an act of omission for which the responding party bears responsibility." The nature of the matter, described as specifically as possible without undermining the need for confidentiality is:

WHEREAS, the length of the Executive Session is estimated to be five (5) hours after which the public meeting of the Board shall (select one) **reconvene** and immediately adjourn or reconvene and proceed with business where formal action will be taken reconvene and proceed with business where no formal action will be taken.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the West Orange Board of Education will go into Executive Session for only the above stated reasons; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board hereby declares that its discussion of the aforementioned subject(s) will be made public at a time when the public's interest in disclosure is greater than any privacy or governmental interest being protected from disclosure.

V. ADJOURNMENT