

WEST ORANGE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Public Board Meeting September 30, 2021
179 Eagle Rock Avenue
7:33 P.M. Public Session
Minutes

I. ROLL CALL OF THE MEMBERS AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Present: President Trigg-Scales, Mrs. Tunncliffe, Mrs. Huerta, Ms. Merklinger (arrived at 7:56 p.m.), Mr. Rothstein

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 September 23, 2021.
- 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.

Board Goals
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → The West Orange Board of Education will support the work of the administration to define multiple measures to assess and evaluate student achievement. Such measures will evaluate effectiveness of programs, equity and access for all students, identify achievement gaps, and be used to improve instructional delivery with student achievement presentations to the Board and community mid-year and at the end of the year. → The West Orange Board of Education will be an active participant in monitoring and providing input into the strategic planning process which will include community input and participation. The Board will allocate the necessary and appropriate resources for the completion of the Five Year Strategic Plan by June, 2023. → The West Orange Board of Education will provide support to the administration in its development of district resources to support students and staff with social - emotional and mental health needs throughout the school year with mid-year and end-of-year presentations to the Board and community. → The West Orange Board of Education will direct the administration to issue Requests for Proposals (RFPs) for all of the district’s major vendors, including: insurance, legal, financial, architects, transportation, etc. → The West Orange Board of Education will seek ways to continue to improve communication between the Board and the community by relying on the work and recommendations of the Board’s Public Relations Committee and consensus of the Board in developing an action plan. → The West Orange Board of Education will strive to have effective, open, respectful, and professional communication among board members, between board members and the administration and exhibiting the highest level of boardsmanship at Board meetings by regularly participating in NJSBA trainings, meetings and workshops. → The West Orange Board of Education supports the administration in the submission of the Preschool Expansion Grant Application to the NJ Department of Education in an effort to provide our community with public preschool opportunities and access.

III. PETITIONS AND HEARINGS OF CITIZENS

IV. BOARD MEMBER TRAINING - NJSBA

Charlene Peterson, New Jersey School Boards Association (NJSBA) Field Representative, provided training to the Board on various topics.

V. ADJOURNMENT at 9:45 p.m.

MOTION: Mrs. Tunncliffe

SECOND: Mrs. Huerta

VOTE: 5-0 (VV)

Respectfully submitted,

Tonya Flowers, Board Secretary