

WEST ORANGE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Public Board Meeting – 6:00 p.m. – October 4, 2010
St. Cloud Elementary School
71 Sheridan Avenue

FINAL AGENDA

(Agenda items may be subject to change)

- 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 May 4, 2010.
 - B. That said notice was sent by regular mail to the West Orange Township Clerk and by e-mail to 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 September 20, 2010 (Att. #1)**

- IV. **SUPERINTENDENT'S AND/OR BOARD'S REPORTS**
 - A. **National Merit Scholars**
 - B. **Teacher of the Year**

- V. **REPORTS, DISCUSSIONS, AND RECOMMENDATIONS**
 - A. **PERSONNEL**

1. Resignations

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

Donna Brown, Bus Driver, Transportation Department, for retirement purposes, effective 7/1/11

2. Rescission

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

Rescind the transfer of Monica Fede, Instructional Aide, from Mt. Pleasant School to Pleasantdale School, effective immediately

Anne Hochman, Instructor, West Orange Professional Development Center, effective immediately

3. Appointments

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

Alicia Pavone, Instructional Aide, Mt. Pleasant School, BA-1, \$26,140, effective upon completion of paperwork (replacement)

Club Advisors, Edison Middle School, for the 2010-2011 school year:

- **Rescind Vivian Troya, Environmental Club Advisor**
- **Appoint Joanne Kornoelje, Environmental Club Advisor**
- **Rescind Maria Frangos, Yearbook Advisor**
- **Appoint Cynthia DiGiovanna and Jennifer Blume, Yearbook Co-Advisors (stipend to be divided equally)**

Coaching Appointments, for the 2010-2011 school year:

- **Appoint Martin Rodriguez, Assistant Varsity Boys Soccer Coach (replacement)**
- **Appoint Charles Rowan, Boys Junior Varsity Soccer Coach (replacement)**
- **Appoint Andrew Vodofsky, Roosevelt Middle School Soccer Coach (replacement)**
- **Appoint Marcella Fusco-Vitale, Assistant Varsity Swim Coach (reinstatement)**
- **Appoint Joe Spina, Weight Room Monitor (replacement)**

5. Transfers

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

Special Education Personnel as per the specifications in the attached (Att. #3)

B. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

1. Recommend acceptance of field trip requests for the 2010-2011 school year as per attached (Att. #4)
2. Recommend approval of Curriculum Writing Projects as recommended by the Curriculum Council (Att. #5)

C. FINANCE

1. Recommend approval of the 10/20/10 Bills Lists: (Att. #6)

Payroll/Benefits	\$4,337,765.02
Transportation	\$ 17,786.94
Special Ed. Tuition	\$ 261,941.98
Instruction	\$ 187,442.15
Facilities	\$ 74,320.71
Capital Outlay	\$ 157,132.19
Grants	\$ 150,388.05
Debt Service	\$ 319,718.13
Textbooks/Supplies/Athletics/Misc.	<u>\$ 94,829.05</u>
	<u>\$5,601,324.22</u>

2. Recommend approval of Morris-Union Jointure Commission Joint Transportation Agreement for the 2010-2011 School Year and for the 2010-2011 Extended School Year in the amounts \$52,772.00 and \$6,505.05, respectively. (Att. #7)
3. Recommend approval of acceptance of following donations: (Att. #8)
 - Drafting table from Mr. Dan Jonas
 - Printing press from Mr. David Vodofsky
4. Recommend approval of services for Student #82 and Student #91 for the 2010-2011 school year, in the amounts \$28,496 and \$43,670, respectively, as per the specifications in the attached (Att. #9)

5. **Recommend approval for Dynamic Therapeutic Services to provide Occupational Therapy Services for student for the 2010-2011 school year in an amount not to exceed \$5,000 (Att. #9)**
6. **Recommend approval of names and school placements for funded staff paid through ARRA, Title I and Title IIA in compliance with grant requirements for fiscal year 2010-2011 (Att. #10)**
7. **Recommend approval of the following resolution:**

WHEREAS the high school athletic programs in the State of New Jersey have been administered by the New Jersey State Interscholastic Athletic Association (NJSIAA); and

WHEREAS there is legislation pending in the New Jersey State Legislature to dismantle the NJSIAA after its many years of existence and to assign its functions to the New Jersey School Boards Association, and

WHEREAS the West Orange Board of Education disagrees both with the dismantling of the NJSIAA and the transfer of the administration of high school athletics to the New Jersey School Boards Association,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the West Orange Board of Education expresses its opposition to the dismantling of the NJSIAA and the transfer of its functions to the New Jersey School Boards Association; and it is further

RESOLVED that the Secretary to the Board of Education is directed to send a copy of this resolution and to otherwise communicate the opposition of the Board of Education to this legislation to members of the State Legislature, including but not limited to Senator Codey, Assemblyman McKeon and Assemblywoman Jasey.

8. **Recommend approval of the following resolution (Att. #11):**

WHEREAS the West Orange Board of Education had applied for a West Orange High School Small Learning Communities Grant from the U.S. Department of Education, and

WHEREAS, the West Orange Board of Education has received notification that this application was approved in the amount of \$851,898 for the budget period 10/1/10-9/30/12.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the West Orange Board of Education accept this grant in the aforementioned amount.

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 26, 2010 at Pleasantdale Elementary School.**
- VIII. PETITIONS AND HEARINGS OF CITIZENS**
- IX. ADJOURNMENT**

All attachments are on the website, except those matters involving personnel and pupil confidentiality.

The Public Schools
West Orange, New Jersey

Public Agenda
Date: 10/4/10
Attachment # 2

To: Dr. Anthony Cavanna
From: Donna Rando, Ed.D., Assistant Superintendent *DR*
Date: September 23, 2010
Re: Fall HSPA Preparation Program


The teachers listed below will be instructing the 2010 Fall HSPA Preparation Program at the contractual rate of \$73.00/hour.

Subject Area	Instructor	Hours	Payment	Account #
Mathematics	Katelyn Busby	9	\$657.00	11.140.100.101.03.00
	Kerry Coyne	9	\$657.00	11.140.100.101.03.00
	Caniece Montague	9	\$657.00	11.140.100.101.03.00
	Jonathan Tick	9	\$657.00	11.140.100.101.03.00
Mathematics (Spec. Ed.)	Christine O'Neill	9	\$657.00	11.213.100.101.19.51
	Jan DeRosa	9	\$657.00	11.204.100.101.19.59

C: Mr. M. Kenney
Ms. P. Simmons

The Public Schools
West Orange, New Jersey

Public Agenda
Date: 10/4/10
Attachment #/ 5

To: Dr. Anthony Cavanna, Superintendent
From: Donna Rando, Ed.D., Assistant Superintendent 
Date: September 28, 2010
Re: Curriculum Writing Projects

The following curriculum writing projects have been recommended by the Curriculum Council for approval:

Title of Project	Writer's Name	# of Hours	Cost (\$39./hr)
Advanced Placement Physics	Mark Kirchenbauer	40	\$1,560.00
	Michael Lawrence	40	\$1,560.00
Microsoft Office	Deborah Sharkey	30	\$1,170.00
	Kim Szalkai	30	\$1,170.00
Advertising	Natasha Gialanella	15	\$585.00
	Anne Hanson	15	\$585.00
Cisco Networking Academy Discovery 1 and 2	Cheryl Ann Dunlap	60	\$2,340.00
Technology, Level I	Debra Coen	20	\$780.00
Technology, Level II	Debra Coen	20	\$780.00

MORRIS-UNION JOINTURE COMMISSION
 JOINT TRANSPORTATION AGREEMENT
 2010-2011 SCHOOL YEAR

Public Agenda
 Date: 10/4/10
 Attachment # 7

This Agreement entered into this 1st of September, 2010 Between the Morris-Union Jointure Commission ("Commission"), having offices at 340 Central Avenue, New Providence, New Jersey, 07974, and the Board of Education of West Orange, County of Essex, (the "Board"), having offices at 179 Eagle Rock Av, West Orange, New Jersey, 07052.

Whereas, the Commission provides student transportation services for its member districts pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:46-27 and N.J.A.C. 6A:27-9.16; and NJAC 6A:27-10-1 thru 3 and

Whereas, the Board desires to participate in the Commission's transportation program in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement and, by resolution duly adopted, has approved this Agreement.

Now, Therefore, in consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein, the parties agree as follows:

1. The term of this Agreement shall be the school year designated above, commencing September 1 and ending June 30 of the following calendar year.
2. The Commission agrees to transport students on the routes described below between September 1 and June 30 of the school year when the student's school is scheduled to be in session based upon the following rates:

Route/Contract No.	Destination	Per Annum	Adjustment Per Mile	Aide Per Diem
948	In District Arrive: 8:30 AM Depart: 2:30 PM	\$52,722.00		
	Arrive: Depart:			
	Arrive: Depart:			
	Arrive: Depart:			
	Arrive: Depart:			

3. The Board agrees to pay the Commission for transportation services the total sum of \$52,722.00 in Ten equal monthly installments, commencing in September of the school year.
4. The Commission has established and will implement its alcohol and controlled substances testing policy in accordance with applicable federal transportation regulations. The Commission will provide transportation services during the term of this Agreement in accordance with current applicable New Jersey statutes and regulations pertaining to student transportation.
5. During the term of this Agreement, the Commission shall maintain liability insurance for bodily injury and property damage in a minimum amount of \$1,000,000 combined single limit per occurrence for all vehicles the Commission uses to furnish student transportation. The policy shall name the Board as an additional insured. The insurance company providing the coverage shall be authorized to transact business in New Jersey.
6. It is understood that any change in the number of students transported on a route, any change in mileage, or the addition of an aide subsequent to the commencement of this Agreement will necessitate a reapportionment and adjustment of costs. The Board agrees to pay the adjusted costs apportioned to it by the Commission. Such adjustments will be processed twice per year, in February and May. No adjustment shall be made on account of a pupil's absence or use of other transportation, suspension of transportation services due to inclement weather or other conditions beyond the Commission's control, or any cancellation of school.
7. Either party may terminate this Agreement by providing sixty days advance written notice of termination to the other party. If the Commission does not provide the requisite notice, the Board will only be responsible for transportation costs up to and including the pupil's last day of transportation. If the Board does not provide the requisite notice, it will be responsible for payment of transportation costs for the number of additional days necessary to reflect its compliance with the notice requirement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Board may, at any time on written notice to the Commission, terminate this Agreement as to any pupil no longer requiring transportation on account of (a) the pupil's change of placement, or (b) a change in residency that results in the Board no longer being responsible for the pupil's transportation. Such termination shall become effective as of the date specified by the Board in its notice of termination. In the event of such termination, the Board shall pay transportation costs for the full final month of service if the pupil has been assigned to a route for any part of that month.
8. Board shall be responsible for ensuring that disabled students are discharged into the custody of a responsible adult.
9. This Agreement shall be without force and effect until approved by the Union County Superintendent of Schools and the county superintendent for the county in which the Board is located.

In Witness Whereof, the parties have by resolution directed their respective Presidents and Secretaries to sign this Agreement on the date first written above.

Attest: [Signature] Morris-Union
 Jointure Commission
 Secretary [Signature] President

Attest: _____ West Orange
 Board of Education
 Secretary _____ President

Approved this 16 day of September, 20 10

Approved this _____ day of _____, 20 _____

Union County Superintendent of Schools

Essex County Superintendent of Schools

MORRIS-UNION JOINTURE COMMISSION
 JOINT TRANSPORTATION AGREEMENT
 2010-2011 EXTENDED SCHOOL YEAR

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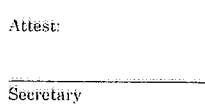
27. The term of this Agreement shall be the school year designated above, commencing July 15 and ending commencing August 31 of the calendar year.
28. The Commission agrees to transport students on the routes described below between commencing July 15 and August 31 of the extended school year when the student's school is scheduled to be in session based upon the following rates:

Route/Contract No.	Destination	Per Annum	Adjustment Per Mile	Aide Per Diem
962S	FOC/JCC Arrive: 8:45 AM Depart: 12:30 PM	\$6,505.05		
	Arrive: Depart:			
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3. The Board agrees to pay the Commission for transportation services the total sum of \$6,505.05 in one installment, commencing in July of the extended school year.
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 Secretary

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 Board of Education
 President

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 Union County Superintendent of Schools

 Essex County Superintendent of Schools

West Orange High School
Arthur J. Alloggiamento, Principal



To: Mark Kenney
From: Arthur J. Alloggiamento, Principal
Date: September 22, 2010
Re: Donations to West Orange High School

As per our recent correspondence, I am requesting that the Board approve the donation of the following:

- 1) A drafting table approximately 4 feet long and 2 ½ feet wide with a metal base which will be donated by a West Orange resident, Mr. Dan Jonas. (Apparently his son is a graduate of the high school and used this drafting table when he was doing graduate work.) The drafting table is in very good condition.
- 2) A printing press – Model AB Dick 360CD, Offset Duplicator, Serial Number 335928A donated by WOHS faculty member, David Vodofsky. The printing press is in excellent working order and can be used for school and district printing.

Thank you for your assistance.

c: Dr. Anthony Cavanna
Kathy Papa

WOHS – A proposal for Smaller Learning Community Development

Applicant: West Orange High School
Victor Paglio, Project Director

NCES District ID: 341761002468

Included School: West Orange High School
51 Conforti Avenue
West Orange, NJ 07052

Enrollment: 2,051 students grades 9-12 as of 12/2009

WOHS is a plan that builds on the dynamic success and forward momentum of West Orange High School, and has been designed to accelerate progress and complement existing services. This SLC plan has been designed to achieve seven (7) overlapping goals:

- Creating small environments where all students are known.
- Ensuring all students successfully complete a rigorous, coherent plan of study.
- Ensuring students who enter West Orange HS significantly below grade level are provided with the supports needed to catch up and maintain proficiency.
- Increase the amount of common planning time provided to teachers.
- Ensuring teachers are trained and supported in the effective use of common planning time.
- Increasing the percentage of students who successfully complete an AP or dual credit course prior to graduation.
- Increasing the percentage of students who enroll in a postsecondary education program the semester following graduation.

WOHS meets the **absolute priorities** established by the USDOE by outlining a comprehensive effort to prepare all students to succeed in postsecondary education and careers without need for remediation. The plan also supports an increase in the amount of common planning time regularly provided to teachers who share the same students or teach the same academic subject, without decreasing the amount of time provided for individual planning and preparation during the school day.

WOHS also meets **competitive preference priority 1**. West Orange High School has been classified as “In Need of Improvement, Year 7” by the State of New Jersey under section 1116 of the ESEA as of March 2010 (see included certification statement).