WEST ORANGE BOARD OF EDUCATION Public Board Meeting – 8:00 p.m. – November 12, 2007 MT. PLEASANT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL 9 Manger Road

Minutes

I. ROLL CALL OF THE MEMBERS AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

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 April 20, 2007.
- 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 October 22, 2007 (Revised Att. #1)

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

- IV. SUPERINTENDENT'S AND/OR BOARD'S REPORTS
 - A. First Reading of the Following Board Policies:
 Travel Expenses 9250.00

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

V. REPORTS, DISCUSSIONS, AND RECOMMENDATIONS

A. PERSONNEL

1. Resignations

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

Nancy Barta, Grade 2 Teacher, Mt. Pleasant School, for retirement purposes, effective 1/1/08

Michele Daniels, ESL/Bilingual Supervisor, for retirement purposes, effective 7/1/08

Michael Holiday, Bus Monitor/Substitute Driver, effective 11/1/07

Lois Reichert, Lunch Aide, Hazel Avenue School, effective upon finalization of start date of replacement

2. Appointments

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

Ashley Thomson, Social Studies, WOHS, maternity leave replacement, effective 11/16/07-6/30/08

Eileen Kirk, Special Education Teacher Aide, LD Class, Gregory School, effective 11/1/07

Lisa Touzeau, Library Media Specialist, Liberty Middle School, effective upon release form current contract

Kyle Dalton, Special Education Teacher Aide, Autistic Class, Mt. Pleasant School, effective 11/12/07

Joyce Soto, Library Aide, Middle Schools, effective 12/3/07 (previously Special Education Teacher Aide, Pleasantdale School)

<u>Earl Speid, Art Teacher, Mt. Pleasant Elementary School,</u> effective 12/1/07

Tanya Brooks, Lunch Aide, Hazel Avenue School, effective

upon completion of paperwork

Jenny Wright, Bus Monitor, effective immediately for the 2007-2008 school year (previously hired as a temporary from 9/17/07-11/29/07)

Lillian Gunn, Bus Monitor, effective 11/5/07 for the 2007-2008 school year

The following addition(s) to the 2007-2008 Substitute List:

Ashley Thomson Social Studies, WOHS

Jenny Formentin K-5

Pablo Viera 6-12 Spanish (after 12/21/07)

Dawn White K-12 Sharon Feinsod 6-12

Yolanda Cruz K-12 (pref. HS)
Lawrence Glantz K-12 & Spec. Ed.
Annelyse Chaleff K-3 Art & Music

Paula Correia Clerical Aide (St. Cloud only)

Juanita Demory K-12 Vicky Pereira K-5 Katherine Maillet K-5

Nicole DePaolo K-12 & Special Ed. Lee Robinson 6-12 English (pref. LMS)

The following Instructional Assistants to work in the "Arts Unbound" after-school program for MCI students at WOHS at a rate of \$19.50 per hour: (Att. #2)

- Karen Venchkoski, October 3, 2007
- James Holik, October 10, 17, 24, 31 and November 7, 2007

Coaching positions for the 2007-2008 school year:

- Daniel D'Elia, Wrestling Coach, Middle School, Winter Season
- Thomas Brzezinski, Assistant Ice Hockey Coach, WOHS

Co-Curricular Advisors for the 2007-2008 School year:

- Appoint Debbie Rees, Chamber Chorus, Roosevelt Middle School
- Rescind Victor Alcindor, Newspaper (Pioneer) Assistant, WOHS
- Appoint Megan Quinn, Newspaper (Pioneer) Assistant, WOHS

Individuals to do home instruction on an "as needed" basis for the 2007-2008 school year as per the attached

(Att. #3)

Individuals to provide after school home instruction for Special Education Students for the 2007-2008 school year as per specifications in the attached. (Att. #4)

3. Leave(s) of Absence

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

Carrie Vasquez, Fine Arts Teacher, WOHS, maternity leave extension until 6/30/08

Kim Schneider, P/T Reading Teacher, Gregory School, extension of maternity leave of absence until 3/31/08

4. Employment status of Shnelle Fencher.

Personnel – Items 1 through 3

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

<u>Personnel – Item 4</u> Motion to table item 4.

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

B. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

1. Recommend approval of the Shelter, Reception and Care Annex of the West Orange School District's Operational Emergency Manual (OEM) revision. (Att. #5)

Motion to approve OEM as amended.

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

C. FINANCE

- 1. Recommend approval of the attached resolution requesting authorization to hire candidates on an emergency basis (Att. #6)
- 2. Recommend approval of the following Bills Lists: (Att. #7) 11/12/07 \$2,608,779.10
- 3. Recommend approval of programs for Student #121-2007,

Student #122-2007 and Student #123-2007 in the amount of \$96,732 as per specifications in the attached. (Att. #8)

- 4. Recommend awarding of bid for Snow Removal to Hoimark Contracting in the amount of \$9,675 (Att. #9)
- 5. Recommend acceptance of Applications for Absence for School Business requests for Board of Education approval as per state mandate (Att. #10)

Finance - Items 1 through 5

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

D. REPORTS

- 1. Disposition of Residency Hearings for Students S.T. and J.T. as stipulated.
- 2. Recommend approval of the attached resolution to restore the principle of majority rule in the State of New Jersey as it pertains to special budget questions in School Board annual elections. (Att. #11)

Reports – Items 1

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

Reports – Item 2

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

- VI. REPORTS FROM THE BOARD PRESIDENT AND/OR BOARD MEMBERS
- VII. PETITIONS/PUBLIC COMMENTS AND HEARINGS OF CITIZENS

Motion to adjourn to closed session.

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

Motion to return to open session.

MOTION: Mrs. Kyle SECOND: Mrs. Casalino VOTE: 5-0 (VV)

VII. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Mrs. Casalino SECOND: Mrs. Brill VOTE: 5-0 (VV)