WEST ORANGE BOARD OF EDUCATION Public Board Meeting – 8:00 p.m. – October 14, 2008 ADMINISTRATION BUILDING 179 Eagle Rock Avenue

Minutes

I. ROLL CALL OF THE MEMBERS AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

Absent: Mrs. Lab

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 18, 2008.
- 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 September 22, 2008. (Att. #1)

MOTION: Mr. Petigrow SECOND: Mrs. Tague VOTE: 4-0 (VV)

IV. SUPERINTENDENT'S AND/OR BOARD'S REPORTS

- A. Presentation in memory of Corey Elijah Blake, Redwood Student 2003-2008 (K-4 Grades)
- B. Presentation by WOHS Guidance Department on Naviance, Web-Based College and Career Planning

C. First Reading of the Following Board Policy:
Pupil Records 5125.00

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

D. Second Reading of the Following Revised Board Policies:
Supervision 4115.00

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

Lesson Plans 6143.10

MOTION: Mr. Petigrow SECOND: Mrs. Tague VOTE: 4-0 (RC)

V. REPORTS, DISCUSSIONS, AND RECOMMENDATIONS

A. PERSONNEL

1. Resignations

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

Jeanne Panayiotou, Special Education Instructional Assistant, Gregory School, effective 10/17/08

Lauren Tracy, Special Education Instructional Assistant, Gregory School, effective 10/15/08

Louis Venturi, Art Teacher, Roosevelt Middle School, for retirement purposes, effective 2/1/09

Ann Marie Caste, Acting Director of Student Support Services, for retirement purposes, effective 6/30/09

2. Appointments

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

Katharine Asimoglou, Instructional Assistant, Grade 1, Washington School, effective retroactive to 10/6/08

Nicole Casiero, Instructional Assistant, Kindergarten, Redwood School, effective retroactive to 10/6/08

Rachel Musto, Special Education Instructional Assistant, 1:1 LD, Gregory School, effective retroactive to 9/29/08

Daniel Schoch, Special Education Instructional Assistant, 1:1 Autistic, Mt. Pleasant School, effective retroactive to 9/26/08

Felicia Fiore, Special Education Instructional Assistant, LLD Class, Pleasantdale School, effective 10/27/08

Kristen Mindo, Special Education Instructional Assistant, 1:1 Autistic Student, Pleasantdale School, effective retroactive to 10/15/08

Marlene Alcius, Instructional Assistant, Kindergarten, Mt. Pleasant School, effective 10/14/08

Joanne Suoto, Spanish Teacher, WOHS, maternity leave replacement, effective 10/3/08

Brittany D'Arduini, Instructional Assistant, Washington School, effective retroactive to 10/6/08

Paula Correia, Special Education Instructional Assistant, 1:1 for Autistic Student, Mt. Pleasant School, effective retroactive to 10/6/08

Emily Tang, Science Teacher, Roosevelt Middle School, maternity leave replacement, effective 10/15/08

Rosa Toriello, Lunch Aide, Redwood School, effective upon completion of paperwork

Dina Mallette, Lunch Aide, Gregory School, effective upon completion of paperwork

The following addition(s) to the 2008-2009 Substitute List:

Linda Aiello K-12
Dalia Jacobowitz K-6
Mark D'Elia 6-12
Safiya Fraser K-12
William Brister K-12

Thomas Wrubel 6-12 Bus. Ed./Technology

Rose Ahaneku 3-5

Susan Titelbaum Library-WOHS Christopher Dreyling Social Studies

Revisions to Co-Curricular appointments, WOHS, for the 2008-2009 school year:

- Rescind Lesley Chung Co-Advisor, Drill Team
- Appoint Purvi Patel Sole Advisor, Drill Team

Hourly and Per Diem Rates for the 2008-2009 School Year as per attached. (Att. #2)

Staff to provide home instruction on an "as needed" basis for the 2008-2009 school year (Att. #3)

After Care Providers and substitutes for 6 Autistic Students attending Recreation Therapy in the Mt. Pleasant School After Care Program effective retroactive to 10/2/08 (Att. #4)

David Vodofsky, Volunteer Winter Track Coach, WOHS, for the 2008-2009 school year

Brack Healy, Varsity Hockey Coach, WOHS, for the 2008-2009 school year

3. Leave(s) of Absence

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

Erika Arenger, Spanish Teacher, WOHS, change in maternity leave of absence from 11/10/08-6/30/09 to 10/3/08-6/30/09

Amy Jamimas, Grade 3 Teacher, Washington School, maternity leave of absence, effective 1/5/09-3/23/09

Danielle Ash, Special Education Teacher, Liberty Middle School, effective 1/20/09-1/29/10

Karen Porreca, Special Education Teacher, Mt. Pleasant School, maternity leave of absence, effective 12/1/08-5/1/09

4. Transfer

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

Rosana Lombardo, Lunch Aide, Gregory School, to Lunch Aide, Edison Middle School, effective retroactive to 9/29/08

Melissa Bensen, Special Education Instructional Assistant, 1:1 LD, St. Cloud School, to General Education Instructional Assistant, St. Cloud School, effective retroactive to 10/1/08 (new position)

Danielle Heller, Special Education Instructional Assistant, 1:1 Autistic, Mt. Pleasant School, to Special Education Instructional Assistant, 1:1 Autistic Kindergarten, Gregory School, effective retroactive to 10/6/08 (new position)

Deanne Micallef, Special Education Instructional Assistant, Autistic, Mt. Pleasant School, to Special Education Instructional Assistant, 1:1 Autistic, Pleasantdale School, effective retroactive to 9/26/08

Personnel - Items 1 through 4

MOTION: Mrs. Tague SECOND: Mrs. Brill VOTE: 4-0 (RC)

B. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

C. FINANCE

- 1. Recommend approval of the attached resolution requesting authorization to hire candidates on an emergency basis (Att. #5)
- 2. Recommend approval of the following Bills Lists: (Att. #6)

 9/19/08-9/21/08
 \$ 71,953.23

 9/23/08-10/9/08
 \$2,911,502.23

 10/14/08
 \$1,879,837.89

 10/15/08
 \$ 294,575.64

- 3. Recommend approval of programs for Student #68-2008, Student #119-2008 and Student #120-2008 in the amount of \$159,950 as per specifications in the attached. (Att. #7)
- 4. Recommend approval of renewal of service contract agreement

with SunGard Pentamation Inc./Proforma for the 2008-2009 school year in the amount of \$7,370 (Att. #8)

- 5. Recommend approval of transfer of funds under Title VI of the Administrative Code for the months of August and September, 2008 (Att. #9)
- 6. Recommend approval of agreement with JAG Physical Therapy to provide trainers for a fee of \$60 per two hour ice hockey game, subject to receipt of written contract.
- 7. Recommend acceptance of Applications for Absence for School
 Business requests for Board of Education approval as per state
 mandate (Att. #12)
- 8. Recommend approval of consultant services of Kathleen Priesly, regarding State Mandated Preschool Education, at a fee not to exceed \$4,000, to be paid from Title I funds

Finance - Items 1 through 8

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

D. REPORTS

- 1. Observance of "School Violence Awareness Week": October 20-24, 2008 (Att. #10)
 - a.) Activities in Schools
 - b.) Electronic Violence and Vandalism Statistical Report

The Board accepted the Superintendent's presentation of the Violence and Vandalism Public Hearing Report. After the Superintendent's report, no dialogue transpired and no public comments were made regarding the presentation.

2. 2008 District Test Results (Att. #11)

The Superintendent presented a report of the 2008 District Test Results.

3. Disposition of Affidavit Hearing for Student S.W. as stipulated.

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

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

VII. PETITIONS/PUBLIC COMMENTS AND HEARINGS OF CITIZENS

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

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