

**WEST ORANGE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Public Board Meeting - 6:00 p.m. – November 10, 2009
REDWOOD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
75 REDWOOD AVENUE**

Minutes

I. ROLL CALL OF THE MEMBERS AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

Motion to adjourn to closed session to discuss personnel appointments and negotiations with respect to employee assistance program.

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

Motion to return to open session.

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

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 24, 2009.**
- 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 OCTOBER 26, 2009 (Att. #1)

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

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

A. Merit Scholarship Recipient Recognition

V. REPORTS, DISCUSSIONS, AND RECOMMENDATIONS

A. PERSONNEL

1. Resignations

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

David Bensen, Supervisor of Career and Technical Education, for retirement purposes, effective 2/1/10

Kevan Murphy, Special Education Instructional Aide, Gregory School, effective 11/20/09

2. Appointments

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

Nathaniel Monk, Business Education Teacher, Edison Middle School, maternity leave replacement, effective 11/16/09-3/12/10, BA-1, \$229.50 per diem (replacement)

Ester Maltz, English Teacher, WOHS, maternity leave replacement, effective 10/19/09-1/1/10, BA-1, \$229.50 per diem (replacement)

Jennifer Vallario, Grade 3 Teacher, Mt. Pleasant School, maternity leave replacement, effective 11/17/09-6/30/10, MA-1, \$254.06 per diem (replacement)

Michael Serino, Special Education Instructional Aide, 1:1 LLD, Washington School, effective 11/9/09, BA-1, \$25,754 (replacement)

Co-Curricular appointment, Gregory School, for the 2009-2010 school year:

- Jim Weidenborner, Extra Help Club/Recess Detention Program, \$750 stipend**

Staff to provide home instruction on an “as needed” basis for the 2009-2010 school year (Att. #2)

3. Leave(s) of Absence

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

Patricia Sorrenti, Grade 5 Teacher, Gregory School, maternity leave extension until 3/12/10

Shaina Weitz, Occupational Therapist, Gregory/Mt. Pleasant Schools, maternity leave of absence, effective 2/22/10-5/21/10

Susan Ann Kolkka, Grade 7 Math Teacher, Liberty Middle School, maternity leave extension until 6/30/10

4. Transfers

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

Felicia Fiore, Special Education Instructional Aide, LLD, Washington School, to General Education Instructional Aide (504 Aide), Gregory School, effective 11/21/09

Personnel – Items 1 through 4

MOTION: Mr. Petigrow

SECOND: Mrs. Casalino

VOTE: 4-0 (RC)

B. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

1. Recommend approval of Elementary, Middle and High School field trips for the 2009-2010 school year (Att. #3)
2. Recommend approval of new course proposals for inclusion in the West Orange High School Curriculum Bulletin for 2010-2011 (Att. #4)

Curriculum – Items 1 and 2

MOTION: Mrs. Casalino

SECOND: Mr. Petigrow

VOTE: 4-0 (RC)

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 11/10/09 Bills Lists: (Att. #6)**

Payroll/Benefits	\$1,626,277.21
Transportation	\$ 210,915.11
Special Ed. Tuition	\$ 166,711.83
Instruction	\$ 119,785.90
Facilities	\$ 82,355.96
Capital Outlay	\$ 49,392.56
Grants	\$ 38,441.54
Food Services	\$ 2,376.86
Textbooks/Supplies/Athletics/Misc.	<u>\$ 94,062.56</u>
	<u>\$2,390,319.53</u>

3. **Recommend acceptance of Applications for Absence for School Business requests (\$2,125 Title I funded) for Board of Education approval as per state mandate (Att. #7)**

4. **Recommend approval of tuition and transportation for the 2009-2010 School Year Out-Of-District placements for the following students, in the amount of \$52,166 as per specifications in the attached (Att. #8):**

*Student #126-2009

5. **Recommend approval to receive students residing in West Orange, placed by the State of NJ Department of Human Services for the 2009-2010 School Year (Att. #9)**

6. **Recommend approval of a resolution to allow the West Orange Board of Education to purchase electric generation services through the Alliance for Competitive Energy Services (“ACES”) Bid (Att. #10)**

7. **Recommend approval of a resolution to allow the West Orange Board of Education to purchase natural gas supply services through the Alliance for Competitive Energy Services (“ACES”) Bid (Att. #11)**

8. **Recommend acceptance of the 2009-2010 District Report of Transported Resident Students (DRTRS) (Att. #12)**

9. **Recommend approval of the following resolution:**

WHEREAS the West Orange Public School has obtained approval from the Department of Education for facilities projects at West Orange High School, Edison Middle School, Roosevelt Middle School, Hazel Elementary School, Gregory Elementary School, Pleasantdale Elementary School, Redwood Elementary School, St. Cloud Elementary School, Washington Elementary School, and Central Office,

and

WHEREAS the West Orange Public Schools has elected to receive a Section 15 grant under the Educational Facilities Construction and Financing Act,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the West Orange Board of Education authorize the execution and delivery of the grant agreements for the aforementioned projects.

10. Recommend approval of the following resolution:

WHEREAS the West Orange Board of Education has applied for a Section 15 grant for facilities projects at West Orange High School, Edison Middle School, Roosevelt Middle School, Hazel Elementary School, Gregory Elementary School, Pleasantdale Elementary School, Redwood Elementary School, St. Cloud Elementary School, Washington Elementary School, and Central Office,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the West Orange Board of Education delegate authority to the School Business Administrator for supervision of the aforementioned projects.

11. Recommend approval for Superintendent to attend a workshop in Boston at a cost not to exceed \$3,500.

Finance – Items 1 through 11

MOTION: Mr. Petigrow

SECOND: Mrs. Casalino

VOTE: 4-0 (RC)

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 November 23, 2009 at Edison Middle School.

MOTION: Mr. Petigrow

SECOND: Mrs. Lab

VOTE: 4-0 (VV)

VIII. PETITIONS AND HEARINGS OF CITIZENS

IX. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Mr. Petigrow

SECOND: Mrs. Casalino

VOTE: 4-0 (VV)