WEST ORANGE BOARD OF EDUCATION Public Board Meeting - 8:00 p.m. – January 28, 2013 West Orange High School 51 Conforti Avenue

Minutes

I. ROLL CALL OF THE MEMBERS AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Present: Mrs. Casalino, Mrs. Brill, Mrs. Lab, Mrs. Mordecai, Mr. Charles

Motion to adjourn to closed session to discuss personnel items and to conduct a residency hearing.

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

Motion to reconvene to open session.

MOTION: Mrs. Brill SECOND: Mrs. Casalino VOTE: 5-0 (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 January 10, 2013.
- B. That said notice was sent by regular mail to the West Orange Township Clerk and the Editors of the <u>West Orange Chronicle</u> and the <u>Star-Ledger</u>.
- 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 January 7 and 14, 2013 (Att. #1)

MOTION: Mrs. Lab SECOND: Mrs. Mordecai VOTE: 5-0 (VV)

- IV. SUPERINTENDENT'S AND/OR BOARD'S REPORTS
- V. REPORTS, DISCUSSIONS, AND RECOMMENDATIONS

A. PERSONNEL

1. Resignations

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

William Hulighan, Maintenance Worker, Buildings and Grounds Department, effective retroactive to 1/8/13

Catherine Allen, Executive Assistant, Buildings and Grounds Department, for retirement purposes, effective 9/2/13

Ruth Holland, Part-time Bus Monitor, Transportation Department, for retirement purposes, revised, effective retroactive to 1/2/13

Vallie Johnson, Full-time Bus Driver, Transportation Department, for retirement purposes, effective 7/1/13

Morgan Capezzera, School Psychologist, Pleasantdale School, effective 1/18/13

Brittany Hipkins, Instructional Assistant, Mt. Pleasant School, effective 1/25/13

Gregory Brennan, MIS Coordinator/Registrar, Administration Building, effective retroactive to 1/18/13

Stephanie Edwards, Instructional Assistant, Redwood School, effective retroactive to 1/28/13

2. Appointments

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

Geri Farese, Resource Room Teacher, WOHS, MA-1, \$52,805 (prorated), effective 1/29/13 (replacement)

Lucia Forgione, Grade 1 Teacher, St. Cloud School, maternity leave replacement, BA-1, \$247.26 per diem, effective retroactive to 1/15/13-6/21/13 (replacement)

Olivia Kalinich, Instructional Assistant, Pleasantdale School, BA-1, \$26,930 (prorated), effective retroactive to 1/17/13 (replacement)

Nicholas McCormick, Maintenance Worker, Buildings and Grounds Department, Step 8, \$45,777.60, effective retroactive to 1/28/13 (replacement)

Michele Ahrens, Lunch Aide, Edison School, \$17/hour, effective retroactive to 12/19/12 (replacement)

Robert Lefkowitz, .4 Instructional Assistant, WOHS, BA-1, \$10,772 (prorated), effective pending completion of paperwork (additional)

Katie DePaolo, Instructional Assistant, Mt. Pleasant School, BA-1, \$26,930 (prorated), effective 1/29/13 (replacement)

Nicole Ortiz, Instructional Assistant, Mt. Pleasant School, BA-1, \$26,930 (prorated), effective 1/29/13 (replacement)

Marek Bochenski, Computer Technician, Technology Department, salary adjustment to \$55,675.28, effective retroactive to 2011-2012

Wendy Wolgast, Dispatcher, Transportation Department, Salary Adjustment, Schedule B, Column I, Step 6 \$47,500 plus 5 additional days at \$237.50 per diem, effective retroactive to 2011-2012

Mercedes Asqui, Spanish Teacher, Redwood School, salary adjustment, Schedule A, MA+48-8, \$73,950, effective retroactive to 2011-2012

Instructors for NJ ASK Preparation Programs in the following amounts as per the attached: (Att. #2)

Title I: \$21,608Local Funds: \$52,341

Instructors for HSPA Preparation Programs in the amount of \$14,819 as per the attached: (Att. #3)

Additions to the 2012-2013 Substitute List as follows:

Name
 Nicole Ortiz
 Christina Quagliato
 Subject Area
 Teacher
 Teacher

Spring 2013 Assistant Coaches (Att. #4)

Joel Troast, Spring 2013 Head Softball Coach, \$10,976

3. Leave(s) of Absence

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

Mini Thapar, Instructional Assistant, Pleasantdale School, family leave of absence, effective retroactive to 1/7/13-2/25/13 (approximate return date)

Carl Jackson, Part-time Bus Monitor, Transportation Department, extension of medical leave of absence, effective retroactive to 1/2/13-4/8/13 (approximate return date)

Jennifer Schroeder, Grade 3 Teacher, Mt. Pleasant School, maternity leave of absence, effective 3/15/13-12/31/13

Edwin Torres, Maintenance Worker, Buildings and Grounds Department, unpaid medical leave of absence, effective retroactive to 1/9/13-4/8/13, or until released by physician

Donald Smith, Utility Worker, Buildings and Grounds Department, unpaid medical leave of absence, effective retroactive to 1/22/13-2/25/13, or until released by physician

Gina Sant'Angelo, Instructional Aide, Mt. Pleasant School, paid medical leave of absence, effective retroactive to 1/23/13-2/18/13

Jill Lorenz, Grade 1 Teacher, St. Cloud School, extension of maternity leave of absence, effective retroactive to 1/10/13-1/2/14

Kathleen Rothenbucher, BCBA, Pleasantdale School, extension of unpaid maternity leave of absence through 9/1/13

Kimberly Alfano, Resource Room Teacher, WOHS, extension of unpaid maternity leave of absence until approximately 3/1/13

Jamie Hecht, Grade 1 Teacher, Redwood School, maternity leave of absence, effective 3/4/13-6/30/13

4. Transfers

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

David Perez, Instructional Aide, 1:1 Autistic, Liberty School, to 1:1 Instructional Aide, WOHS, effective retroactive to 1/14/13

5. Recommend approval of the Hourly and Per Diem Rates for the 2012-2013 School Year (Att. #5)

Personnel – Items 1 through 5

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

B. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

- 1. Recommend approval of Field Trip requests for the 2012-2013 school year (Att. #6)
- 2. Recommend approval of the 2013-2014 and 2014-2015 School Calendars (Att. #7)

Curriculum and Instruction – Items 1 and 2

MOTION: Mrs. Lab SECOND: Mrs. Mordecai VOTE: 5-0 (RC)

C. FINANCE

1. Recommend approval of the 1/28/13 Bills List: (Att. #8)

Payroll/Benefits	\$ 8,891,430.05
Transportation	\$ 473,524.06
Special Ed. Tuition	\$ 601,597.04
Instruction	\$ 247,584.98
Facilities	\$ 306,290.58
Capital Outlay	\$ 92,740.91
Grants	\$ 284,538.22
Food Service	\$ 527,223.88
Textbooks/Supplies/Athletics/Misc.	\$ 121,158.23
	\$ 11,546,087.95

2. Recommend approval of tuition/aide for the 2012-2013 School Year Outof-District placements for the following:

Student #	Placement	Amount	
40	Lamberts Mill Academy	\$ 24,397	(Aide)
113	Cranford CAP Program	\$ 27,405.60	(Tuition)

3. Recommend approval of the attached listing of Applications for School Business Requests totaling \$8,037.80 to be funded from the Confucius Classroom Grant (Att. #9)

- 4. Recommend acceptance of the following donations:
 - \$2,500 from the West Orange Community House for the purchase of educational technology for Washington School
 - Writing and Reading Workshop Materials from DonorsChoose.org to Redwood School
 - \$1,000 from the Brain Injury Alliance for benefit of the WOHS Driver's Education Program
- 5. Recommend approval of staff to be paid in part or in whole by the No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Consolidated Grant for Fiscal Year 2013 as per the attached (Att. #10)
- 6. Receipt of the Treasurer of School Monies Report for the month of November, 2012 (Att. #11)

Finance – Items 1 through 4

MOTION: Mrs. Mordecai SECOND: Mr. Charles VOTE: 5-0 (RC)

Finance – Item 5

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

Finance – Item 6

The Board acknowledged receipt of the Treasurer of School Monies Report for the month of November, 2012.

D. REPORTS

- 1. The Board of Education recognizes receipt of the HIB report through 1/28/13
- 2. Disposition of Residency Hearings for C.P., S.P., C.P. and S.P. as stipulated in closed session.

Reports – Item 2

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

- VI. REPORT FROM THE BOARD PRESIDENT AND/OR BOARD MEMBERS
- VII. MOTION FOR A BUDGET WORKSHOP to be held at 9:00 a.m. on February 9, 2013 at the Administration Building.

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

IX. MOTION FOR THE NEXT BOARD MEETING to be held at 6:00 p.m. on February 11, 2013 at West Orange High School.

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

X. PETITIONS AND HEARINGS OF CITIZENS

XI. ADJOURNMENT

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