

**WEST ORANGE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Public Meeting - 7:02 a.m. – December 21, 2016
West Orange Board of Education
179 Eagle Rock Avenue**

Minutes

I. ROLL CALL OF THE MEMBERS AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Present: Mrs. Lab, Mrs. Mordecai, Mr. Schwarzbaum

Absent: Mr. Charles, Mr. Robertson

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 December 7, 2016.

B. That said notice was sent by regular mail to the West Orange Township Clerk and 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. PETITIONS AND HEARINGS OF CITIZENS

IV. EXECUTIVE SESSION at 7:04 p.m.

WHEREAS: The Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-11, permits the Board of Education to meet in closed session to discuss certain matters, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED: The Board of Education adjourns to closed session to conduct a student hearing. Be it further

RESOLVED: The minutes of this closed session will be made public when the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

MOTION: Mrs. Mordecai

SECOND: Mr. Schwarzbaum

VOTE: 3-0 (VV)

V. Motion to re-convene to public session at 8:13 p.m.

MOTION: Mrs. Mordecai

SECOND: Mr. Schwarzbaum

VOTE: 3-0 (VV)

VI. REPORTS

1. Recommend approval of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools has recommended to continue the suspension of suspension of student bearing identification number 2206022 ("the Student");

WHEREAS, the Student is currently enrolled in a treatment program and is receiving instructional services;

WHEREAS, on December 21, 2016, a formal disciplinary hearing was held before the Board of Education in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:16-7.3;

WHEREAS, at the formal disciplinary hearing, the Student's parent(s) had the opportunity to present a defense, present information, present testimony and cross-examine the Board of Education's witnesses;

BE IT RESOLVED that, after careful deliberation, the West Orange Board of Education hereby continues the suspension of the Student for twelve (12) months ending November 18, 2017;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby determines that the Student shall not be present on any of the Board of Education's school premises, at any time, during the period of his suspension, unless specifically authorized by the Superintendent;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby determines that, during the period of his suspension, the Student shall not be permitted to participate in any athletic, co-curricular and/or extra-curricular activities sponsored by the Board of Education, and shall not be present for, or attend, any Board of Education sponsored or affiliated activities;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the suspension shall be reviewed at every subsequent regular board meeting to determine whether the suspension will continue; and

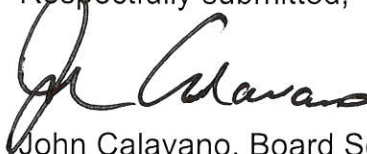
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Superintendent shall determine an appropriate alternative education program in which to enroll the Student after he is discharged from his current treatment program and during his period of suspension.

MOTION: Mr. Schwarzbaum **SECOND:** Mrs. Mordecai **VOTE:** 3-0 (RC)

V. ADJOURNMENT at 8:15 a.m.

MOTION: Mr. Schwarzbaum **SECOND:** Mrs. Mordecai **VOTE:** 3-0 (VV)

Respectfully submitted,



John Calavano, Board Secretary