

**WEST ORANGE BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**Public Board Meeting – 8:00 p.m. – November 26, 2007**  
**PLEASANTDALE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**  
**555 Pleasant Valley Way**

**AGENDA**

(Agenda items may be subject to change)

- I. **ROLL CALL OF THE MEMBERS AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- 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 November 12, 2007 (Att. #1)**
- IV. **SUPERINTENDENT'S AND/OR BOARD'S REPORTS**
  - A. **Second Reading of the Following Board Policies:**

Travel Expenses	3290.00
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- V. **REPORTS, DISCUSSIONS, AND RECOMMENDATIONS**
  - A. **PERSONNEL**
    - 1. **Resignations**
      - a.) Superintendent recommends approval of the following resignation(s):

Joyce Schwartz, Special Education Teacher, Redwood School, for retirement purposes, effective 2/1/08

**Jerry P. Tarnoff, Superintendent of Schools, for retirement purposes, effective 6/30/09**

**2. Appointments**

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

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

<b>Natalie Burrell</b>	<b>K-12</b>
<b>Sonji Lucas</b>	<b>K-5 &amp; Spec. Ed.</b>
<b>Shannon McClure</b>	<b>WOHS – 8-12 Music</b>
<b>Germina Romain</b>	<b>K-5</b>
<b>Mark Lagatic</b>	<b>6-12 (January 2008)</b>

**Idalina Charles, Lunch Aide, Mt. Pleasant School, effective upon completion of paperwork**

**Individuals to provide home instruction on an as needed basis for the 2007-2008 school year. (Att. #2)**

**The following staff members to teach an extra period in the subject specified and to be compensated with an additional 1/6<sup>th</sup> of their salaries:**

**Kristen DiPalo, Special Education Teacher, Math, Edison Middle School, effective 11/15/07**

**Kelly Anne Gambuti, Special Education Teacher, Social Studies, Edison Middle School, effective 11/15/07**

**3. Transfers**

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

**Ofelia Rodriguez, Special Education Teacher Aide, MCI Class, Roosevelt Middle School to Special Education Teacher Aide, MCI Class, WOHS, effective retroactive to 11/12/07**

**4. Leave(s) of Absence**

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

Diane Talman, Basic Skills Teacher, Gregory School, maternity leave of absence, effective 12/21/07-2/19/08

Meredith Johnson, Special Education Teacher, Mt. Pleasant School, maternity leave of absence, effective 4/1/08-5/30/08

Lori Messing, English Teacher, Edison Middle School, medical leave of absence, effective 11/28/07 until released from doctor

**B. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION**

1. Recommend approval of the following textbook adoption requests: (Att. #3)
  - Superciao 1a for the Italian 1 course
  - Superciao 1b for the Italian 2 course
  - Superciao 2 for the Italian 3 and 4 courses
  - Superciao 3 for the Italian 5 and Advanced Placement courses

**C. FINANCE**

1. Recommend approval of the attached resolution requesting authorization to hire candidates on an emergency basis (Att. #4)
2. Recommend approval of the following Bills Lists: (Att. #5)

9/01/07- 9/30/07	\$7,455,112.17
10/01/07-10/14/07	\$9,164,149.40
10/16/07-10/31/07	\$4,910,372.70
11/02/07-11/11/07	\$ 328,398.31
12/03/07	\$1,213,186.33
3. Recommend approval of programs for Student #123-2007, Student #67-2007 and Student #109-2007 in the amount of \$117,331.20 as per specifications in the attached. (Att. #6)
4. Recommend approval of Orientation and Mobility Specialist

**Gerald Miller to provide services for students who are blind or visually impaired on an as-needed basis for the 2007-2008 school year. (Att. #7)**

- 5. Recommend approval of Elizabeth Hoyt to perform Learning Evaluations in Creole (as needed) for the District's Child Study Teams for the 2007-2008 school year at a rate of \$400 per evaluation.**
- 6. Recommend acceptance of Applications for Absence for School Business requests for Board of Education approval as per state mandate (Att. #8)**
- 7. Recommend acceptance of No Child Left Behind (NCLB) grant award for fiscal year 2008 in the amount of \$713,610 (Att. #9)**

**D. REPORTS**

- 1. Approve "A Uniform State Memorandum of Agreement Between Education and Law Enforcement Officials." (Att. #10)**

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

**VII. PETITIONS/PUBLIC COMMENTS AND HEARINGS OF CITIZENS**

**VII. ADJOURNMENT**