

WEST ORANGE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Public Board Meeting – 8:00 p.m. – January 14, 2008
WEST ORANGE HIGH SCHOOL
51 Conforti Avenue

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 December 17, 2007. (Att. #1)**
- IV. **SUPERINTENDENT'S AND/OR BOARD'S REPORTS**
 - A. **WOHS Edward J. Bloustein Scholars**
 - B. **Second Reading of the Following Board Policies:**

Use of School Facilities	1330.00
Physical Education and Health	6142.04
 - C. **Recommend approval and adoption of Emergency Management Plan for the West Orange Public Schools and the West Orange Public Schools Administration Building.**

V. REPORTS, DISCUSSIONS, AND RECOMMENDATIONS

A. PERSONNEL

1. Resignations

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

Kristin Pavone, Special Education Instructional Assistant, Mt. Pleasant School, effective 1/25/08

Adam Weinstein, Special Education Instructional Assistant, Roosevelt Middle School, effective 1/11/08

Brian Lieberman, Special Education Instructional Assistant, Liberty Middle School, effective 1/7/08

Erin Kelly, Special Education Instructional Assistant, Pleasantdale School, effective 1/2/08

2. Appointments

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

Jodi Troise, Special Education Instructional Assistant, LD Class, Pleasantdale School, effective 1/2/08

Caitlin McNamara, Special Education Instructional Assistant, Autistic Class, Pleasantdale School, effective 1/2/08

Andrea Ferrara, Special Education Instructional Assistant, Autistic Class, Pleasantdale School, effective 1/2/08

Kimberly Ferrara, Special Education Instructional Assistant, Autistic Class, Redwood School, effective 1/7/08

Natalie Navarro, World Language Teacher, St. Cloud School, maternity leave replacement, effective 2/14/08-6/30/08

Erika Major, World Language Teacher, Edison Middle School, maternity leave replacement (long term substitute), effective 1/18/08-3/31/08

Floyd Gray, Special Education Teacher (long term substitute), Edison Middle School, effective 1/2/08

Kenael Plummer, Science Teacher, WOHS, military leave replacement, effective 1/2/08

Rebecca (Marino) Rud, Special Education Teacher, Roosevelt Middle School, to provide 3 hours weekly of ABA home instruction for Autistic student as per attached (Att. #2)

Ophelia Rodriguez, Special Education Instructional Assistant, WOHS, to substitute on an as needed basis for the regularly assigned after care provider for student at Mt. Pleasant School as per attached. (Att. #3)

Kyle Dalton and Ophelia Rodriguez, Special Education Instructional Assistants to assist Autistic student at his after-school recreation program at Children's Corner effective 1/7/08 (Att. #4)

James Holik, Special Education Instructional Assistant, to assist in "Arts Unbound", an after-school Program for MCI students at WOHS for 16 sessions effective 1/9/08-4/30/08 at an hourly rate of \$19.50

Individuals to do home instruction on an "as needed" basis for the 2007-2008 school year (Att. #5)

Kimberly Doherty and Meg Lipper, Special Education Instructional Assistants, to substitute on an "as needed" basis for regularly scheduled aides in the district's various after care program at an hourly rate of \$14.87

CST Staff members to do evaluations after school hours at the rate of \$350 per evaluation:

- Christine Aker (Learning Evaluations)**
- Colleen Grandinetti (Learning Evaluations)**
- Elizabeth Levengerg (Psychological Evaluations)**

Connie Salimbeno, Learning Consultant, to do Learning Evaluations, at a rate of \$350 per evaluation, and provide Case Management Services, at an hourly rate of \$62, after school hours.

Stipends for the attached employees for production of the school musical Cabaret (not contractual) (Att. #6)

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

Amanda Gramcko	K-5 (1/21/08)
Gail Cardiche	K-3
Charity Quinn	K-12
Andrea Ferrara	K-5 Spec. Ed.
Stephen Kunakatumalayil	K-12
Maria Gonzalez	K-12 Gen. Ed. & Spec. Ed.
Krista Penkalski	Pre-school-3
Brian Donovan	K-12 & Bilingual
Carlene Hendricks	K-12 & Spanish
Peter Ohanyan	WOHS & Phys. Ed.
Jamie Taneja	K-5 (1/23/08)
Lois Reichert	Secretary/Lunch Aide
Andrew Cornwall	K-12
Bruce D'Amato	K-12 & Phys. Ed.

3. Transfers

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

Michelle Ledesma, Art Teacher (full time), Pleasantdale School to .8 Art Teacher, Pleasantdale School, effective 2/1/08

Dana Pottheiser, Special Education Instructional Assistant, Gregory School, to Special Education Instructional Assistant, Liberty Middle School, effective 1/7/08

Stephen Ferrera, Special Education Instructional Assistant, Mild Cognitive Program, Redwood School, to Special Education Instructional Assistant, Resource Program, Washington School, effective 1/15/08

4. Leave(s) of Absence

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

Deborah Daniel, Transportation Secretary, medical leave of absence, effective 12/20/07-1/7/08 (or when released from doctor)

Michelle Ledesma, Itinerant Art Teacher, maternity leave of absence, effective 3/18/08-6/30/08

Kimberly Nunes, Grade 8 Language Arts Teacher, Roosevelt Middle School, maternity leave of absence, effective 3/10/08-6/30/08

Diane Lupo (Phelan), Special Education Teacher Aide, Pleasantdale School, maternity leave of absence, effective 3/18/08-6/30/08

Lori DeRosa, Grade 2 Teacher, St. Cloud School, maternity leave of absence, effective 3/31/08-6/30/08

Karen Wynn, ESL Teacher, Edison Middle School, maternity leave extension to 6/30/08

Eileen Cassels Aker, Grade 3 Teacher, Gregory School, maternity leave of absence, effective 4/7/08-1/19/09

B. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

- 1. Recommend approval of Second Annual Write On Sports Camp for Middle School Students: Teaching Training 6/3/08-7/3/08; Student Camp 6/7/08-6/18/08**

C. FINANCE

- 1. Recommend approval of the attached resolution requesting authorization to hire candidates on an emergency basis (Att. #7)**
- 2. Recommend approval of the following Bills Lists: (Att. #8)**
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| 1/14/08 | \$2,611,886.51 |
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3. Recommend approval of programs for Student #81-2007, Student #82-2007, Student #127-2007, Student #128-2007 and Student #129-2008 in the amount of \$138,045 as per specifications in the attached. (Att. #9)
4. Recommend approval of the Corrective Action Plan for fiscal year ended 6/30/07 (Att. #10)
5. Recommend approval of Vanguard Modular Building Systems lease extension for trailers at Edison Middle School effective 2/2/08, for a period of twelve months, at the rate of \$2,955 per month.
6. Recommend approval of resubmission of the IDEA 07 Basic and Preschool Grant in the following amounts: (Att. #11)

Basic	\$1,645,032
Preschool	<u>\$ 68,530</u>
	\$1,713,562
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 Carrie Nagy, Choreographer and Judith Flower, Costumer for the school musical Cabaret in the amounts \$1,000 and \$1,500 respectively

D. REPORTS

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

VII. PETITIONS/PUBLIC COMMENTS AND HEARINGS OF CITIZENS

VII. ADJOURNMENT