

**WEST ORANGE BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**Public Board Meeting – 8:00 p.m. – January 26, 2009**  
**REDWOOD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**  
**75 Redwood Avenue**

**Minutes**

**I. ROLL CALL OF THE MEMBERS AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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

**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 18, 2008.
- 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 PUBLIC AND CLOSED MEETING MINUTES OF January 12, 13, 14 and 19, 2009. (Att. #1)**

**MOTION:** Mrs. Lab      **SECOND:** Mr. Petigrow      **VOTE:** 5-0 (VV)

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

**V. REPORTS, DISCUSSIONS, AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

**A. PERSONNEL**

**1. Appointments**

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

Frances Neceskas, Director of Human Resources, effective  
7/1/09

**Thomas Fortune, General Education Instructional Assistant, Edison Middle School, effective retroactive to 1/20/09**

**Cristina Guarneri, Special Education Instructional Assistant, 1:1 for Autistic student, Edison Middle School, effective 1/26/09**

**Joseph Rella, Electrician/Maintenance, effective 2/1/09**

**Susan Jackson, Lunch Aide, Gregory, effective upon completion of paperwork**

**Shendrelle Walker, Lunch Aide, Pleasantdale School, effective retroactive to 1/5/09**

**Staff to provide home instruction on an “as needed” basis for the 2008-2009 school year (Att. #2)**

**Teachers to instruct the 2009 HSPA (High School Proficiency Assessment) Preparation Programs as per attached. (Att. #3)**

**The following addition(s) to the 2008-2009 Substitute List:**

<b>Bernadette Mills</b>	<b>K-12 &amp; Spec. Ed.</b>
<b>Stephen Ashurst</b>	<b>9-12</b>
<b>Ruth Silver</b>	<b>K-8 School Nurse</b>
<b>Louis Venture</b>	<b>MS Art</b>
<b>Gisel Montoya</b>	<b>Secretary</b>
<b>Gladys Marzano</b>	<b>5-8 ESL</b>
<b><u>Michelle Dell'Italia</u></b>	<b><u>K-12 &amp; Art</u></b>

**b) Staff members for Roosevelt Middle School 2008-2009 Drama Production “Willie Wonka” (Att. # 8)**

**2. Transfers**

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

**Michael Greeley, General Education Instructional Assistant, Edison Middle School, to General Education Instructional Assistant, Liberty Middle School, effective retroactive to 1/20/09**

**Personnel – Items 1a and 2**

**MOTION:** Mr. Petigrow      **SECOND:** Mrs. Tague      **VOTE:** 5-0 (RC)

**Personnel – Item 1b**

**Motion to table.**

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

**B. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION**

1. Approval of Elementary, Middle and High School field trips for the 2008-2009 school year (Att. #4)
2. Approval of annual Marching Band Camp, August 13-18, 2009 at Camp Weequahic, Lakewood, PA (Att. #5)

**Curriculum and Instruction – Items 1 and 2**

**MOTION:** Mr. Petigrow      **SECOND:** Mrs. Lab      **VOTE:** 5-0 (RC)

**C. FINANCE**

1. Recommend approval of the attached resolution requesting authorization to hire candidates on an emergency basis (Att. #6)
2. Recommend approval of the following Bills Lists: (Att. #7)

1/9/09-1/11/09	\$ 399.07
1/13/09-1/22/09	\$ 767,141.05
1/26/09	\$1,911,687.89

**Finance – Items 1 and 2**

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

**D. REPORTS**

1. Approval of suspension without pay for L.R. and K.Y.
2. Disposition of Residency Hearing for A.W. and G.S. as stipulated.

**Reports – Items 1 and 2**

**MOTION:** Mrs. Tague      **SECOND:** Mr. Petigrow      **VOTE:** 5-0 (RC)

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

**VII. MOTION FOR CLOSED MEETING to be held at 6:00 p.m. on February 2, 2009 at the Administration Building and for the Closed and Open meetings originally scheduled for March 9, 2009 to be rescheduled for March 16, 2009 at the Administration Building at 6:30 p.m. and 8:00 p.m., respectively.**

**MOTION: Mr. Petigrow SECOND: Mrs. Lab VOTE: 5-0 (VV)**

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

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION: Mr. Petigrow SECOND: Mrs. Tague VOTE: 5-0 (VV)**