

**WEST ORANGE BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**Public Board Meeting – 6:00 p.m. – May 24, 2010**  
**Gregory Elementary School**  
**301 Gregory Avenue**

**Minutes**

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

**Present: Mrs. Brill, Mrs. Lab, Mr. Petigrow, Mrs. Casalino, Mrs. Mordecai**

**Motion to adjourn to closed session for discussion of contracts and reappointments of non-tenured personnel.**

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

**Motion to reconvene open session at 8:00 p.m.**

**MOTION: Mrs. Lab                      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 May 4, 2010.**
- B. That said notice was sent by regular mail to the West Orange Township Clerk and by e-mail to 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. CONSIDERATION OF THE CLOSED AND PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES OF May 3 and 22, 2010 (Att. #1)**

**May 3, 2010 Public Meeting Minutes**

**MOTION: Mrs. Casalino                      SECOND: Mrs. Lab                      VOTE: 4-0-1 (VV)  
**ABSTAIN: Mrs. Mordecai****

**May 3, 2010 Closed Meeting Minutes**

**MOTION:** Mrs. Casalino

**SECOND:** Mrs. Lab

**VOTE:** 4-0-1 (VV)

**ABSTAIN:** Mrs. Mordecai

**May 22, 2010 Closed Meeting Minutes**

**MOTION:** Mr. Petigrow

**SECOND:** Mrs. Mordecai

**VOTE:** 5-0-(VV)

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

- A. Student and Staff Recognition**
- B. Township Council Defeated Budget Reductions to West Orange Schools**
- C. Math Presentation by National Mathematics Expert Steve Leinwand**
- D. Demographic Report**

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

**A. PERSONNEL**

**1. Resignations**

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

**Adam Segue, Sub Bus Driver, Transportation Department, effective 4/15/10**

**Gary French, Lunch Aide, Washington School, effective 5/14/10**

**Dorothy Trott, Basic Skills Teacher, Hazel School, for retirement purposes, effective 6/30/10**

**Virginia Tucci, Grade 3 Teacher, Mt. Pleasant School, for retirement purposes, effective 6/30/10**

**2. Appointments**

- a) Superintendent recommends the reappointment of non-tenured certified and non-certified staff (and one tenured staff member) for the 2010-2011 school as stipulated**

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

The following addition(s) to the 2009-2010 Substitute List:

Marisel Mercado-Sanchez	K-5 Spanish
Jennifer DeMarco	K-5
Bryon White	9-12 Math
Andrea Millican	PreK-3
Peter Lopez	K-12 & Special Ed.
Kevan Murphy	K-12 & Special Ed.

Staff to provide home instruction on an “as needed” basis for the 2009-2010 school year (Att. #2)

Mel Levine, Instructional Assistant, Edison Middle School, NJ ASK Preparation Program, 19.5 hours, at an hourly rate of \$22

Extended School Year (ESY) Certified Employees to receive \$49 per hour for the Summer of 2010-2011 for the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for the period 6/28/10-7/3/10

Summer Work 2010: K-1 Title I/BSIP Summer Testing, for the period 6/28/10-7/2/10 in the amount of \$1,462.50 (Att. #4)

Hourly and Per Diem Rates for the 2010-2011 School Year as per attached. (Att. #5)

Christopher Davison, Sub Custodian, Buildings and Grounds Department, effective 7/1/10

- c.) Superintendent recommends approval of Athletic Coaching Assignments, Fall 2010, as per the attached (Att. #3)

3. Leave(s) of Absence

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

Wendy Japaz, Grade 5 Teacher, Mt. Pleasant School, maternity leave of absence, effective 9/1/10-12/31/10

Carla Glomb, Kindergarten Teacher, Gregory School, maternity leave of absence, effective 9/1/10-1/2/11

**4. Transfers**

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

The following Custodians, Buildings and Grounds Department, effective immediately:

- Turner Pride from St. Cloud School to Gregory School
- Jerry Companion, Sr. from Gregory School, to Pleasantdale School
- Zeljko Miric, from Pleasantdale School to St. Cloud School

5. Receipt of Superintendent's notification to the Board of non-reemployment of certified and non-certified tenured staff for the 2010-2011 school year as stipulated

**Personnel – Items 1, 2a, 2b, 3 and 4**

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

**Personnel – Item 2c**

**MOTION:** Mr. Petigrow                      **SECOND:** Mrs. Casalino                      **VOTE:** 3-1-1 (RC)  
**NAY:**                      Mrs. Brill  
**ABSTAIN:** Mrs. Mordecai

**Personnel – Item 5**

The Board acknowledged receipt of the Superintendent's notification of non-reemployment of certified and non-certified tenured staff for the 2010-2011 school year.

**B. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION**

1. Adopt the Educational Program and revised Courses of Study and Textbooks for the District and each school for 2010-2011 as required by N.J.S.A. 18A:33-1 and 34-1. (Att. #6)
2. Recommend approval of Field Trip requests for the 2009-2010 school year (Att. #7)

**Curriculum and Instruction – Item 1**

**MOTION:** Mr. Petigrow                      **SECOND:** Mrs. Casalino                      **VOTE:** 3-1-1 (RC)  
**NAY:**                      Mrs. Brill  
**ABSTAIN:** Mrs. Mordecai

**Curriculum and Instruction – Item 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. #8)**
2. **Recommend approval of the 5/24/10 Bills Lists: (Att. #9)**

Payroll/Benefits	\$4,576,791.72
Transportation	\$ 348,193.59
Special Ed. Tuition	\$ 519,109.64
Instruction	\$ 119,489.87
Facilities	\$ 216,709.87
Capital Outlay	\$ 33,171.39
Grants	\$ 209,683.82
Capital Projects	\$ 15,000.00
Debt Service	\$ 793,671.88
Textbooks/Supplies/Athletics/Misc.	<u>\$ 77,075.84</u>
	<u>\$6,908,897.62</u>

3. **Recommend approval of renewal of service contract agreement with Douglass Outreach for Consultation Services to the Applied Behavior Analysis Program for special education student for the 2010 Extended School Year, in an amount not to exceed \$1,000, as per specifications in the attached. (Att. #10)**
4. **Recommend approval of renewal of service contract agreement with Occupational Therapy Consultants, Inc. for related services for out of district students at Felician School in Lodi, and YCS George Washington in Hackensack for the 2010-2011 school year, in an amount not to exceed \$25,000, as per specifications in the attached (Att. #11)**
5. **Recommend acceptance of \$800 grant from Rutgers for participation in the 2009-2010 NJ Middle School Risk and Protective Factor Survey. (Att. #12)**
6. **Recommend acceptance of the 2010 Academic Year Art Pal Heroes School Grant in the amount of \$450 (Att. #12)**
7. **Recommend approval of Cooperative Pricing System Agreement with Middlesex Regional Educational Services Commission for the purchase of technology supplies (Att. #13)**

**8. Recommend approval of the following resolution:**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education of the Township of West Orange, Essex County (the Board) has received reduced education aid from the State of New Jersey, and has further had its school budget reduced by the Township Council; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board has experienced an increase in school enrollments throughout the district in recent years, which can negatively affect the quality of instruction provided to its students; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board wants to insure that those students who attend its schools are eligible to do so; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board has not and will not burden its taxpayers with the costs of educating students who may not be legally entitled to attend school in the district; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board has not conducted a re-registration of student enrolled in the district since 2006;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED**, by the Board that it authorizes its Registrar to conduct a re-registration of all students currently enrolled in the district, and that said process be commenced immediately and concluded as soon as practicable.

**9. Recommend approval of the resolution regarding the action of the Township Council (Att. #14)**

**10. Recommend approval of Parental Contract for Student Transportation with John Henderson for the period 5/24/10-6/21/10 and 7/12/10-8/12/10 in the amount of \$502.20 (Att. #15)**

**11. Recommend approval of the following resolution:**

**WHEREAS**, the West Orange Board of Education is desirous of receiving funding from the Federal Government's Race To The Top's initiative, if awarded,

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the West Orange Board of Education recommends that the administration make application for Race To The Top funding.

12. Recommend approval of agreement between the New Jersey Department of Agriculture and the West Orange Board of Education to participate in the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program for the period 7/1/10-9/30/11 (Att. #16)

**Finance – Items 1 through 7**

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

**Finance – Item 8**

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

**Finance – Item 9**

**MOTION:** Mr. Petigrow                      **SECOND:** Mrs. Lab                      **VOTE:** 4-0-1 (RC)  
**ABSTAIN:** Mrs. Mordecai

**Finance – Items 10 and 12**

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

**Finance – Item 11**

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

**D. REPORTS**

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

**VII. MOTION FOR THE NEXT BOARD MEETING to be held at 6:00 p.m. on June 7, 2010 at West Orange High School.**

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

**VIII. PETITIONS AND HEARINGS OF CITIZENS**

**IX. ADJOURNMENT at 11:50 p.m.**

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