

**WEST ORANGE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Public Board Meeting – 6:00 p.m. – March 28, 2011
West Orange High School
51 Conforti 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 to discuss residency hearing and disciplinary proceedings.

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

Motion to reconvene to open session.

**MOTION: Mrs. Casalino SECOND: Mrs. Lab 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 February 28, 2011.**
- 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 March 14, 2011 (Att. #1)

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

IV. SUPERINTENDENT’S AND/OR BOARD’S REPORTS

A. Student Recognition: Leonard M. Dunovant, WOHS Senior Winner, 2011 Princeton Prize in Race Relations for Northern NJ

B. Student Recognition: Clarissa Lotson, WOHS Junior NJ State Winner, “Poetry Out Loud”

V. REPORTS, DISCUSSIONS, AND RECOMMENDATIONS

A. PERSONNEL

1. Resignations

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

**Arthur Alloggiamento, Principal,
WOHS, for retirement purposes, effective 7/1/12**

**John Chimento, Head Custodian,
Central Office, for retirement purposes, effective 6/1/11**

2. Appointments

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

The following addition(s) to the 2010-2011 Substitute List:

- Amy Lewis K-12 & Teacher of Health**
- Kathi Vogler Nurse (avail. June 2011)**

3. Leave(s) of Absence

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

James Giordano, Special Education Teacher, WOHS, medical leave of absence, effective 11/18/10-6/30/11

Suzanne Wert, Grade 2 Teacher, St. Cloud School, maternity leave of absence, effective 9/1/11-6/30/12

Douglas Norrie, Grade 5 Teacher, Pleasantdale, family leave of

absence, effective 5/11/11-6/30/11

George Hood, Custodian, Gregory School, medical leave of absence, effective 3/15/11 until released by physician

Kimberly Cerutti, Math Teacher, Roosevelt Middle School, extension of maternity leave of absence through 6/30/11

Personnel – Items 1 through 3

MOTION: Mrs. Casalino

SECOND: Mrs. Lab

VOTE: 5-0 (RC)

B. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

1. Recommend approval of Field Trip requests for the 2010-2011 school year (Att. #2)

Curriculum and Instruction – Item 1

MOTION: Mr. Petigrow

SECOND: Mrs. Casalino

VOTE: 5-0 (RC)

C. FINANCE

1. Public hearing for the 2011-2012 Proposed Budget.
2. Recommend approval of the following Proposed Budget Resolution:

RESOLVED that the West Orange Board of Education approve the **2011-12 proposed budget** for submission to the voters as follows:

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Local Tax Levy</u>
Total General Fund	\$122,194,248	\$115,178,112
Total Special Revenue Fund	\$ 4,210,537	\$ n/a
Total Debt Service Fund	<u>\$ 6,543,788</u>	<u>\$ 5,328,071</u>
Totals	\$132,948,573	\$120,506,183

3. Recommend approval of the following State Aid Resolution:

RESOLVED that the West Orange Board of Education approve the 2011/12 State Aid in the amount of **\$4,681,569** in General Fund Aid and

\$961,638 in Debt Service Aid for a Total Aid of \$5,643,207.

4. **Recommend approval of the 3/28/11 Bills Lists: (Att. #3)**

Payroll/Benefits	\$ 3,533,142.40
Transportation	\$ 158,895.42
Special Ed. Tuition	\$ 222,973.13
Instruction	\$ 105,151.47
Facilities	\$ 333,773.89
Capital Outlay	\$ 35,582.00
Grants	\$ 157,676.26
Food Service	\$ 266,406.41
Textbooks/Supplies/Athletics/Misc.	<u>\$ 27,248.30</u>
	<u>\$ 4,840,849.28</u>

5. **Recommend approval of the attached resolution requesting authorization to hire candidates on an emergency basis (Att. #4)**

6. **Recommend approval of tuition and transportation for students for the 2010-2011 school year, in the amount of \$61,000.18 (Att. #5)**

7. **Recommend acceptance of donation of furniture from King World Productions (CBS) to the West Orange School District (Att. #6)**

8. **Recommend acceptance of Applications for Absence for School Business requests for Board of Education approval as per state mandate (Att. #7)**

9. **Review and Discussion of the findings of the New Jersey Department of Education, Office of Fiscal Accountability and Compliance, Review of IDEA/ARRA Expenditure Complaint, dated March 2011, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-5.6**

10. **Acceptance of New Jersey Department of Education Office of Fiscal Accountability and Compliance Corrective Action Plan (Att. #8)**

11. **Recommend approval of transfer of funds under Title VI of the Administrative Code for the month of January 2011 (Att. #9)**

12. **Receipt of the Board Secretary's Report for the month of January 2011 (Att. #10)**

13. **Receipt of the Treasurer of School Monies Report for the month of January 2011 (Att. #11)**

Finance – Item 1

Public Hearing for the 2011-2012 Proposed Budget was held.

Finance – Item 2

Motion to amend the Proposed Budget and Tax Levy Resolution.

MOTION: Mrs. Casalino **SECOND:** Mrs. Lab
VOTE: 4-1 (RC)

NAY: Mr. Petigrow

Finance – Item 2

Motion to approve the amended Proposed Budget and Tax Levy Resolution as follows:

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

Finance – Item 3

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

Finance – Items 4 through 11

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

Finance – Items 12 and 13

The Board acknowledged receipt of the Board Secretary’s Report and the Treasurer of School Monies Report for the month of January 2011.

D. REPORTS

1. Disposition of Residency Hearings for Students J.T. and E.T. as stipulated.

Reports – Item 1

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

SECOND: Mrs. Casalino

2. Disposition of Employment Status for T.P. as stipulated.

Reports – Item 2

MOTION: Mrs. Lab
VOTE: 4-0-1 (RC)
ABSTAIN: Mrs. Brill

SECOND: Mrs. Casalino

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 May 9, 2011 at the Administration Building.

MOTION: Mr. Petigrow

SECOND: Mrs. Lab

VOTE: 5-0 (VV)

VIII. PETITIONS AND HEARINGS OF CITIZENS

IX. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Mr. Petigrow

SECOND: Mrs. Lab

VOTE: 5-0 (VV)