

**WEST ORANGE BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**Public Board Meeting – 6:00 p.m. – October 17, 2011**  
**Pleasantdale Elementary School**  
**555 Pleasant Valley Way**

**Minutes**

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

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

**Motion to adjourn to closed session to discuss personnel items, field rental use and solar energy proposal.**

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

**Motion to reconvene to open session.**

**MOTION:** Mr. Petigrow                      **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 10, 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 October 3, 2011 (Att. #1)**

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

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

- A. 2012 National Achievement Program Outstanding Participants Referred to Colleges**

- B. NJ School Violence Awareness Week (West Orange Township Anti Bullying Week): October 17 - 21, 2011
- a.) EVVRS Report (Att. #2)
  - b.) HIB (Harassment, Intimidation, Bullying) Report (Att. #3)
  - c.) Township Report

C. Second Reading of the Following Board Policies:  
Subject Fields 6142.00

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

V. REPORTS, DISCUSSIONS, AND RECOMMENDATIONS

A. PERSONNEL

1. Appointments

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

Tiffany Goodson, Naviance Coordinator 9-12, WOHS Guidance Department, effective 10/20/11, \$4,003 stipend (additional)

Domenica Alessi, Special Education Instructional Assistant, 6-8 Autistic Class, Roosevelt School, BA-4, \$27,441, effective 10/20/11 (replacement)

Rocio Diaz, Lunch Aide, Redwood School, \$16.08 per hour, not to exceed 2 hours per day, effective upon completion of paperwork (additional)

Tynia Thomassie as an instructor for the West Orange Professional Development Center/Educational Technology Training Center (ETTC), 4 hours at the contractual rate of \$73 per hour (Att. #4)

Co-Curricular Assignments for the 2011-2012 school year:

- Joel Perry, Guitar Club, Redwood School, \$800 (Att. #5)
- Eric Mains, Math Club Co-Advisor, Edison School, \$679.50
- Cynthia DiGiovanna, Math Club Co-Advisor, Edison School, \$679.50

Students as Lunch Aides for the 2011-2012 school year, Pleasantdale School, at an hourly rate of \$8.00 per hour, as per attached (Att. #6)

Staff to provide home instruction on an “as needed” basis for the 2011-2012 school year (Att. #7)

Additions to the 2011-2012 Substitute List as per the attached (Att. #8)

Maria Intili, Administrative Assistant, Transportation Department, Column 4 Step 7, \$42,596, effective 10/31/11 (replacement)

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

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

Kelly Dower, Special Education Teacher, WOHS, maternity leave of absence, effective 1/2/12-3/30/12

Kathleen DeBellonia, Grade 1 Teacher, Washington School, maternity leave of absence, effective 11/18/11-3/30/12

**3. Transfers**

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

Special Education Transfers for the 2011-2012 school year (Att. #9)

**Personnel – Item 1**

**Motion to table appointment of Tiffany Goodson as Naviance Coordinator.**

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

**Personnel – Item 1**

**Motion to table appointment of Rocio Diaz as Lunch Aide at Redwood School**

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

**Personnel – Item 1**

**Motion to delete Joann Andrasko from Home Instruction List.**

**MOTION:** Mrs. Mordecai                      **SECOND:** Mrs. Brill                      **VOTE:** 1-4 (RC)

**NAY:** Mrs. Lab, Mr. Petigrow, Mrs. Casalino, Mrs. Brill

**Personnel – Items 1 (excluding items noted separately), 2 and 3**

**MOTION:** Mrs. Brill

**SECOND:** Mr. Petigrow

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

**B. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION**

1. Recommend approval of the following co-curricular club:
  - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Math Club, Redwood School (Att. #10)
2. Recommend approval of Field Trip requests for the 2011-2012 school year (Att. #11)

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

**MOTION:** Mrs. Casalino

**SECOND:** Mrs. Brill

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

**C. FINANCE**

1. Recommend approval of the 10/17/11 Bills List: (Att. #12)

Payroll/Benefits	\$ 3,850,266.87
Transportation	\$ 449,703.59
Special Ed. Tuition	\$ 377,352.47
Instruction	\$ 245,020.74
Facilities	\$ 99,624.90
Capital Outlay	\$ 263,293.52
Grants	\$ 677,934.42
Food Service	\$ 2,645.18
Textbooks/Supplies/Athletics/Misc.	\$ 77,838.37
	<u>\$ 6,043,680.06</u>

2. Recommend approval for staff salaries to be funded through the 2012 IDEA Grant, retroactive to September 6, 2011 (Att. #13)
3. Recommend approval of Roth Tax Sheltered Annuity Contributions as an authorized source for 403(b) contracts for the staff of the West Orange Board of Education for the 2011-2012 school year.
4. Recommend Susan Hunt as an instructor for the West Orange Professional Development Center/Educational Technology Training Center (ETTC), 8 hours, \$73 per hour (Att. #14)
5. Recommend approval of submission of No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Grant for fiscal year 2012 in the amount of \$1,085,409 (Att. #15)

6. Recommend approval for 10 staff members to attend professional development workshops at Kean University, presented by Dr. Molefi Asante and Dr. Ama Amamaza of the African American History Department at Temple University on 11/17/11, 1/24/12, and 2/19/12, for a total cost of \$11,700 (Att. #16)

**Finance – Items 1 through 6**

**MOTION:** Mrs. Casalino

**SECOND:** Mr. Petigrow

**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 November 7, 2011 at Redwood Elementary School.

**MOTION:** Mr. Petigrow

**SECOND:** Mrs. Brill

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

**VIII. PETITIONS AND HEARINGS OF CITIZENS**

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** Mr. Petigrow

**SECOND:** Mrs. Casalino

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