

WEST ORANGE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Public Board Meeting – 6:00 p.m. – December 12, 2011
Mt. Pleasant Elementary School
9 Manger Road

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 and residency hearings.

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 November 21 and 29, 2011 (Att. #1)

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

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

- A. Student Recognition: WOHS Marching Band Recognition**
- B. Student Recognition: Girls Varsity Tennis Team SEC Champions**
- C. Teacher Recognition: Frank Iannucci, Milken Family Foundation Award**
- D. Advanced Placement Scholars Report**
- E. HIB Report**
- F. Charter School Application Response**

V. REPORTS, DISCUSSIONS, AND RECOMMENDATIONS

A. PERSONNEL

1. Resignations

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

Carol Hyde, HAP Teacher, for retirement purposes, effective 7/1/12

Lexi Pavone, Special Education Instructional Aide, Pleasantdale School, effective 1/20/11

2. Appointments

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

Michael Denburg, Mathematics Teacher, WOHS, BA-1, \$48,000, effective 12/12/11 (replacement)

Jessica Burns, Language Arts Teacher, WOHS, maternity leave replacement, MA-1, at the per diem rate of \$256.28, effective 1/3/12-6/23/12 (replacement)

Karyn Figueroa, Spanish Teacher, Mt. Pleasant/Pleasantdale Schools, maternity leave replacement, BA-1, at the per diem rate of \$240, effective 12/12/11-6/23/11 (replacement)

Social Studies Coordinators 9-12, WOHS, for the 2011-2012 school year, effective immediately

- **Michael Figueiredo, \$2,001.50 (prorated)**
- **Marc Lawrence, \$2,001.50 (prorated)**

Donna Sciacchitano, Special Education Instructional Aide, Resource Room, Mt. Pleasant School, BA-1, \$26,140, effective retroactive to 11/30/11 (replacement)

Rocio Diaz, Lunch Aide, Redwood School, at the hourly rate of \$16.08 (not to exceed 2 hours/day), effective retroactive to 11/29/11 (additional)

Victoria Butcher, Lunch Aide, Hazel School, at the hourly rate of \$16.08 (not to exceed 2 hours/day), effective retroactive to 12/1/11 (replacement)

Jeri Ann Elson, Art Teacher, Washington School, maternity leave replacement, BA-1, at the per diem rate of \$240, effective 12/12/11-6/23/12 (replacement)

Tom Bamber and Nick Alfano, Instructional Aides, 1:1 support for student for Boys Wrestling practices and games (on a rotating basis), \$23/hour for 48 hours, for a total cost of \$1,104 (Att. #2)

The following staff members for ABA Home Instruction and Parent Training for student, for the period 12/5/11-2/1/12: (Att. #3)

- **Meridith Johnson, BCBA, 1 hour/week, \$73/hour**
- **Jill Deardoff, Primary Autistic Teacher, 1.5 hours/week, \$73/hour**
- **Anthony Romano, Aide, 1.5 hours/week, \$23/hour**

Hayden Moore, Assistant Principal, WOHS, appointed District Homeless Liaison for the 2011-2012 school year

Teachers for the Freshman Academic Coaching Program, for a total cost of \$29,400, to be paid from the SLC Grant, as per the attached (Att. #4)

Coaches for the 2011-2012 school year as per the attached (Att. #5)

Additions to the 2011-2012 Substitute List as per the attached (Att. #6)

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

- Carol Hyde, Academically Speaking Advisor, Liberty School, \$2,611
- Rebecca Giacobelli, Academically Speaking Advisor, Roosevelt School, \$2,611
- Mary Anne Schettini, Book Club, Hazel School, \$500
- Boris Ioshpa, Math Club, Hazel School, \$500
- Karen Wagaman, Computer Club, Hazel School, \$500
- Phyllis Seibert, Lego Club, Hazel School, \$500
- Wayne Oakley, Math Club Advisor and NJ Math League Competition, Washington School, \$500

3. Leave(s) of Absence

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

Begona Viqueira, Spanish Teacher, WOHS, maternity leave of absence, effective 3/12/12-6/30/12

Shannon Core, Special Education Teacher, WOHS, change in start date for maternity leave of absence from 1/3/12 to 12/1/11 through 6/30/12

Cheryl Ann Dunlap, Business Education Teacher, WOHS, medical leave of absence, effective 12/2/11-1/2/12

Donald Smith, Utility Worker, Buildings and Grounds Department, medical leave of absence, effective 12/14/11-1/2/12

Bonnie Frith, Art Teacher, Washington School, change in start of maternity leave from 1/3/12 to 12/12/11

Rosemary Murray, Nurse, Washington School, medical leave of absence, effective 11/1/11-12/23/11

Kelly Dower, Special Education Teacher, WOHS, change in start of maternity leave from 1/2/12 to 12/12/11

4. Transfers

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

Victor Cardone, Night Shift Custodian, Central Office, to Mid Shift Custodian, Pleasantdale School, with mid-shift differential of \$285, effective 12/19/11

Gordana Miric, Mid Shift Custodian, Pleasantdale School, to Night Shift Custodian, Central Office, with a night-shift differential of \$580, effective 12/19/11

5. Termination of B.J. as stipulated in closed session.

Personnel – Item 2a – Motion to table appointment of Jeri Ann Elson

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

Personnel – Items 1 through 5 with the exception of the item noted above

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

B. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

1. Recommend approval of NJQSAC Statement of Assurance (SOA) for the School Year 2011-12 for submission to the New Jersey Department of Education. (Att. #7)
2. Recommend approval of NJQSAC District Performance Review (DPR) for the School Year 2011-12 for submission to the New Jersey Department of Education. (Att. #8)
3. Recommend approval of Field Trip requests for the 2011-2012 school year (Att. #9)

Curriculum and Instruction – Items 1 through 3

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

C. FINANCE

1. Recommend approval of tuition for the 2011-2012 School Year Out-of-District placements for 3 students in the total amount of \$119,392.50 as per the attached (Att. #10)

2. Recommend approval of the 12/12/11 Bills List: (Att. #11)

Payroll/Benefits	\$ 5,124,736.67
Transportation	\$ 166,871.55
Special Ed. Tuition	\$ 651,342.15
Instruction	\$ 232,552.55
Facilities	\$ 101,330.79
Capital Outlay	\$ 166,863.64
Grants	\$ 148,858.60
Food Service	\$ 2,458.26
Textbooks/Supplies/Athletics/Misc.	<u>\$ 91,811.30</u>
	<u>\$ 6,686,825.51</u>

3. Recommend acceptance of the following donations:

- Ten (10) used interactive whiteboards from the Essex Fells Board of Education to the Essex ETTC (Educational Technology Training Center).
- \$400 from Educational Testing Services to Liberty Middle School for participating in their Study of Reading Difficulties in March 2011
- \$2,500 from the West Orange Community House to Mt. Pleasant School for the purchase of Smart Boards
- \$6,000 from the Roosevelt Middle School PTA to Roosevelt Middle School for the purchase of Smart Boards
- \$2,000 from Macy's to Liberty Middle School for the purchase of new books in support of Liberty's Community Project for the promotion of literacy

4. Recommend approval to dispose of the following equipment: (Att. #12)

- Small Floor Safe
- Large Floor Safe
- Satellite Dish

5. Recommend approval of service contract agreement with Youth Development Clinic for the 2011-2012 school year for Home Based ABA in an amount not to exceed \$6,000 (Att. #13)

6. Recommend approval to receive special education student with a classification of Multiple Disabled, from the Department of Children & Families Office of Education, for the 2011-2012 school year, in the amount of \$44,620.97 (Att. #14)

7. Recommend approval to receive special education student with a classification of Specific Learning Disabled, from the Department of Children & Families Office of Education, for the 2011-2012 school year, in the amount of \$25,328 (Att. #15)

8. Recommend approval to receive special education student with a classification of Autistic, from the East Orange Public Schools, for the 2011-2012 school year, in the amount of \$22,469 (Att. #16)
9. Recommend approval to receive special education student with a classification of Other Health Impaired, from the Department of Children & Families Office of Education, for the 2011-2012 school year, in the amount of \$22,469 (Att. #17)
10. Recommend approval of Application for School Business Request, in the amount of \$3,586, as per attached (Att. #18)
11. Recommend approval of Resolution to Amend NJSBAIG Bylaws (Att. #19)
12. Recommend approval for WOHS winter color guard to host the 7th Annual M.A.I.N. Winter Color Guard Competition on Saturday, January 21, 2012 in the Tarnoff Gym, PVW Gym, Tarnoff Cafeteria, and sundry classrooms (Att. #20)
13. Recommend approval of additional late bus for the Freshman Academic Tutoring Program to be funded through the SLC Grant.
14. Recommend approval of 2012 Band Camp User Agreement with Camp Weequahic for the period 8/16/12-8/21/12, in an amount of \$2,430 (Att. #21)
15. Recommend approval of the attached resolution to participate in the NJ Sustainable Schools Project (Att. #22)
16. Recommend approval of the attached resolution requesting authorization to hire candidates on an emergency basis (Att. #23)
17. Recommend approval of the Corrective Action Plan for fiscal year ended 6/30/11 (Att. #24)
18. Acceptance of Nisivoccia & Company Audit Report for the year ended June 30, 2011
19. Recommend approval of Settlement Agreement between D.W. and the West Orange Board of Education and P.N. as stipulated in closed session.

Finance – Items 1, 3 through 17, and 19

MOTION: Mr. Petigrow

SECOND: Mrs. Brill

VOTE: 5-0 (RC)

Finance – Item 2

MOTION: Mrs. Casalino
ABSTAIN: Mr. Petigrow

SECOND: Mrs. Brill

VOTE: 4-0-1 (RC)

Finance – Item 18

The Board agreed to accept the Audit Report for the year ended June 30, 2011

D. REPORTS

1. **Disposition of Residency Hearing for T.V. as stipulated in closed session.**

MOTION: Mr. Petigrow
ABSTAIN: Mrs. Brill

SECOND: Mrs. Lab

VOTE: 4-0-1 (RC)

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 January 9, 2012 at Roosevelt Middle School.**

MOTION: Mr. Petigrow

SECOND: Mrs. Casalino

VOTE: 5-0 (VV)

VIII. PETITIONS AND HEARINGS OF CITIZENS

IX. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Mr. Petigrow

SECOND: Mrs. Brill

VOTE: 5-0 (VV)

Respectfully submitted,

Mark A. Kenney, Secretary