

**WEST ORANGE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Public Board Meeting – 6:00 p.m. – March 12, 2012
Administration Building
179 Eagle Rock Avenue**

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 hearing.

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

Motion to reconvene to open session.

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 January 17, 2012.**
- 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 February 28 and , March 1 and 5, 2012 (Att. #1)

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

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

- A. Presentation on Partnership with Diversity Council at Kean University**
- B. Board Wellness Presentation**

C. HIB Report

**D. Second Reading of the Following Board Policies:
Conduct/Discipline**

5131.00

MOTION: Mr. Petigrow

SECOND: Mrs. Casalino

VOTE: 5-0 (RC)

Student Disabilities Pursuant to Section 504

6164.40

MOTION: Mr. Petigrow

SECOND: Mrs. Brill

VOTE: 5-0 (RC)

V. REPORTS, DISCUSSIONS, AND RECOMMENDATIONS

A. PERSONNEL

1. Resignations

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

Peggy Simmons, Payroll Department, Business Office, for retirement purposes, effective 6/30/12

Kerri Egan, School Nurse, WOHS, effective 2/28/12

David Gadallah, Cisco Instructor, WOHS, effective 3/19/12

2. Appointments

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

Veronica Piombo, 504 Aide, WOHS, BA-4, \$27,441, effective 3/12/12

Megan Durkin, Physical Education Teacher, WOHS, maternity leave replacement, BA-1, \$240 per diem, effective 5/7/12-6/20/12 (replacement)

Yanet Guervara, Spanish Teacher, Mt. Pleasant/Pleasantdale Schools, maternity leave replacement, MA-1, \$256.28 per diem, effective 3/27/12-6/21/12 (replacement)

Thomas Biasi, Cisco Instructor, WOHS, medical leave replacement, BA-1, \$240 per diem, effective 3/14/12-6/21/12 (replacement)

Jessica Clancy, Grade 4, Pleasantdale School, maternity leave replacement, MA-1, \$256.28 per diem, effective 4/25/12-6/20/12 (replacement)

Tiffany Goodson, Project Director, Small Learning Community Project Director, \$8,000 annual stipend

Jeanne Bielecke, Instructor for Grade 3 NJASK After-School Program, Washington School, for the period 2/28/12-4/26/12, for a total cost of \$1,022 (Att. #2)

Elizabeth Ramos, Nurse, Edison School, NJASK After-School Program, for the period 3/1/12-4/18/12, for a total cost of \$766.50 (Att. #3 - confidential)

Rosalie Dudkiewicz, Nurse, Roosevelt School, NJASK After-School Program, for the period 2/28/12-4/18/12, for a total cost of \$1,788.50 (Att. #4 - confidential)

Marianne VanCauwenberge, Special Education Teacher, Redwood School, NJASK After-School Program, for the period 3/7/12-4/26/12, for a total cost of \$876 (Att. #5 - confidential)

Lynn Steinberg, Mathematics Teacher in the Freshman Academic Coaching Program, for a projected cost of \$2,450, to be funded through the SLC Grant (Att. #6)

Scott Ryan, Assistant Lacrosse Coach, WOHS, \$8,033 stipend, effective retroactive to 3/2/12

William Urbanski, Weight Room Monitor, WOHS, Spring 2012, \$3,560 stipend, effective retroactive to 3/9/12

Volunteer Coaches, WOHS, for the 2011-2012 school year:

- Brian Dorf, Baseball Team
- Joe Perna, Baseball Team
- Megan Durkin, Softball Team
- Kelly Karp, Softball Team

Wendi Giuliano, Writing Club Advisor,
Washington School, \$500 stipend

Additions to the 2011-2012 Substitute
List as per the attached (Att. #7)

Staff to provide home instruction on an “as needed” basis for
the 2011-2012 school year (Att. #8)

Security Officer, Parking Detail, one hour/day, 5
days/week, \$25/hour:

- Hazel School, effective 3/14/12
- Redwood School, effective retroactive to 3/1/12

3. Leave(s) of Absence

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

Meredith Schwartz, Physical
Education/Health Teacher, WOHS, maternity leave of absence,
effective 6/11/12-6/30/12

Cheryl Ann Dunlap, Business
Education Teacher, WOHS, extension of medical leave of
absence through 4/5/12

Purvi Patel, Special Education
Teacher, WOHS, leave of absence, effective 5/21/12-6/30/12

Christine O’Neill, Resource Room Teacher,
WOHS, medical leave of absence, effective 5/7/12-6/8/12

Lisa Leuzzi, Special Education Instructional
Aide, Pleasantdale School, medical leave of absence, effective
2/27/12-5/7/12 (or until released by physician)

4. Recommendation to approve District Organizational
Chart as stipulated in closed session.

Personnel – Items 1 and 3

MOTION: Mrs. Casalino
5-0 (RC)

SECOND: Mrs. Brill

VOTE:

Personnel – Item 2

Motion to appoint William Urbanski, Weight Room Monitor, WOHS

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

NAY: Mrs. Mordecai

Personnel – Item 2 (continued)

Motion to amend appointment of Security Officers, Hazel and Redwood Schools, to 2 hours/day (morning and afternoon), 5 days/week

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

MOTION to approve Item 2, inclusive of amended appointment of Security Officers, and exclusive of William Urbanski (voted separately)

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

Personnel – Item 4

MOTION: Mrs. Casalino **SECOND:** None **VOTE:**
None

B. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

1. Recommend approval of Field Trip requests for the 2011-2012 school year (Att. #9)
2. Recommend approval of Writing Club at Washington School for the 2011-2012 school year as per the attached (Att. #10)
3. Recommend approval of “The Introduction to Teaching Reading in a Workshop Model, 3-6” training, to be conducted by a Lesley University faculty member, April 3-4, 2012, for a total cost of \$8,795 (Att. #11)
4. Recommend approval of the 2012-2013 School Calendar (Att. #16)

Curriculum and Finance – Items 1 through 3

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

Curriculum and Finance – Item 4

MOTION: Mr. Petigrow
NAY: Mrs. Lab

SECOND: Mrs. Casalino

VOTE: 4-1 (RC)

C. FINANCE

1. Recommend approval of the 3/12/12 Bills List: (Att. #12 summarized below)

Payroll/Benefits	\$ 2,891,670.69
Transportation	\$ 358,226.48
Special Ed. Tuition	\$ 308,445.39
Instruction	\$ 58,998.48
Facilities	\$ 117,673.35
Capital Outlay	\$ 20,944.38
Grants	\$ 16,344.59
Textbooks/Supplies/Athletics/Misc.	\$ 48,123.91
	<u>\$ 3,820,427.27</u>

2. Recommend approval of Application for School Business Request, in the amount of \$4,070.50, as per attached (Att. #13)
3. Recommend approval of NJ Sustainable Schools Project 2012-2015 District Commitment Letter (Att. #14)
4. Recommend acceptance of donation of \$1,000 from the West Orange Mountaintop Association to the WOHS Baseball Teams.
5. Recommend approval of Agreement between Covers2Trust and West Orange High School as per the attached. (Att. #15)
6. Recommend approval of Sidebar Agreement between the West Orange Board of Education and the West Orange Administrators' Association as stipulated in closed session.

Finance – Items 1 through 4, and Item 6

MOTION: Mr. Petigrow

SECOND: Mrs. Brill

VOTE: 5-0 (RC)

Finance – Item 5

MOTION: None

SECOND: None

VOTE: None

D. REPORTS

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

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

MOTION: Mr. Petigrow
ABSTAIN: Mrs. Mordecai

SECOND: Mrs. Brill

VOTE: 4-0-1 (RC)

VII. **MOTION FOR THE NEXT BOARD MEETING to be held at 6:00 p.m. on March 28, 2012 at West Orange High 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)