

WEST ORANGE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Public Board Meeting – 6:00 p.m. – April 16, 2012
Administration Building
179 Eagle Rock Avenue

Minutes

I. ROLL CALL OF THE MEMBERS AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Motion to adjourn to closed session to discuss personnel items.

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 March 21, 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 March 28 and April 5, 2012 (Att. #1)

MOTION: Mrs. Brill **SECOND:** Mrs. Mordecai **VOTE:** 3-0-2 (VV)
ABSTAIN: Mr. Petigrow, Mrs. Casalino

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

- A. Credit Recovery Presentation**

B. Second Reading of the Following Board Policies:

Recruitment, Selection and Hiring of Professional Staff 4111.00

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

Recruitment, Selection and Hiring of Non-Professional Staff 4211.00

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

C. HIB Report

V. REPORTS, DISCUSSIONS, AND RECOMMENDATIONS

A. PERSONNEL

1. Resignations

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

Angela Farrell, Basic Skills Teacher, Hazel School, for retirement purposes, effective 7/1/12

Purvi Patel, Resource Room Teacher, WOHS, effective 7/1/12

2. Appointments

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

Teresa Schuele, Grade 8 Math Teacher, Liberty School, maternity leave replacement, MA-1, \$256.28 per diem, effective 4/16/12-6/20/12 (replacement)

Albina Loconsole, Basic Skills Teacher, Washington School, maternity leave replacement, BA-1, \$240.00 per diem, effective retroactive to 3/28/12-6/20/12 (replacement)

Rossanna Santos, Guidance

Counselor, WOHS, MA-1, \$256.28 per diem, effective retroactive to 3/16/12-6/21/12 (replacement)

Helaine Spitzer, Clerical Aide, WOHS, \$16.87/hour, effective 4/17/12 (replacement)

Mallory DeMarco, Instructional Assistant, Autistic Program, WOHS, 3 days/week, \$23/hour, for a total amount not to exceed \$4,140, funded through IDEA Grant, effective 4/16/12

Carlos Arena, Instructional Assistant, Autistic Program, Mt. Pleasant School, BA-1, \$26,140, effective 4/16/12 (replacement)

Yveline Dessources, Part-time Security Guard, Redwood School, 1.5 hours/day, \$16.87/hour, effective 4/17/12 (additional)

Co-Curricular Assignments, Liberty School, 2011-2012 school year:

- Melissa Martino, Grade 8 Team Leader, maternity leave, effective 3/31/12
- Michael Bridge, Grade 8 Team Leader, maternity leave replacement, effective 4/1/12, \$783.30 stipend (prorated 3 months)

Co-Curricular Assignments, Roosevelt School, 2011-2012 school year:

- Rescind Ursula McGee, Sole Director/Advisor Spring Musical, \$2,611.00
- Appoint Ursula McGee, Co-Director/Advisor Spring Musical, \$1,305.50
- Appoint Deb Rees, Co-Director/Advisor Spring Musical, \$1,305.50

Robert Desch and Nubia Rodriguez to provide 1:1 support for student for Boys Track Practices and Meets, 15 hours, \$23/hour for a total cost of \$345, to be split upon hourly submission, for the period 4/16/12-5/24/12 (Att. #2 - confidential)

Dave Sinisi to provide 1:1 support for student for Track Practices and Meets, 32 hours, \$23/hour, for a total cost of \$736, for the period 4/23/12-5/30/12 (Att. #3 - confidential)

Staff to provide home instruction on an "as needed" basis for the 2011-2012 school year (Att. #4)

**Additions to the 2011-2012 Substitute
List as per the attached (Att. #5)**

3. Leave(s) of Absence

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

Jessica Moffett Lee, Grade 4 Teacher,
Pleasantdale School, change in start date of maternity leave of
absence from 4/27/12 to 4/16/12-6/30/12

Nicole Healy, Grade 1 Teacher,
Gregory School, maternity leave of absence, effective 6/4/12-
1/31/13

Michele Ledesma, Art Teacher,
Hazel/Redwood Schools, maternity leave of absence, effective
9/1/12-12/31/12

Cheryl Ann Dunlap, Business Education
Teacher, WOHS, extension of medical leave of absence until
5/10/12

Kristen Montalbano, Special Education
Teacher, Gregory School, personal leave of absence, effective
9/1/12-6/30/13

Personnel – Items 1 through 3

MOTION: Mrs. Casalino

SECOND: Mrs. Brill

VOTE: 5-0 (RC)

B. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

1. Recommend approval of Field Trip requests for the 2011-2012 school year (Att. #6)
2. Recommend approval of the following course proposal as approved by the Curriculum Council: (Att. #7)
 - Tomorrow's Teachers

Curriculum and Instruction – Items 1 and 2

MOTION: Mrs. Brill

SECOND: Mr. Petigrow

VOTE: 5-0 (RC)

C. FINANCE

1. Recommend approval of the 4/16/12 Bills List: (Att. #8 summarized below)

Payroll/Benefits	\$ 3,917,119.24
Transportation	\$ 217,420.79
Special Ed. Tuition	\$ 394,903.38
Instruction	\$ 116,575.20
Facilities	\$ 288,027.91
Bills List (continued):	
Capital Outlay	\$ 25,006.50
Grants	\$ 136,103.68
Food Service	\$ 6,538.02
Debt Service	\$ 821,025.63
Textbooks/Supplies/Athletics/Misc.	<u>\$ 63,382.52</u>
	<u>\$ 5,986,102.87</u>

2. Recommend approval of Application for School Business Request, in the amount of \$7,571.76, as per attached (\$2,095.60 funded through IDEA, \$2,095.60 funded through Title I) (Att. #9)
3. Recommend acceptance of the following donations:
- \$24,216 from the Redwood Elementary School Parent-Teacher Association to Redwood Elementary School for the purchase of 12 SMART Boards
 - \$700 from the Target Field Trip Grant to Liberty School to enable the 8th Grade students to visit the Grounds for Sculpture
 - \$2,750 from West Orange Community House to Mt. Pleasant School for the purchase of educational technology.
4. Recommend approval of resolution for submission of grant application for the 2012 Safety Grant Program through the New Jersey School Boards Association Group's NJEIF Sub Fund in the amount of \$13,904.34. (Att. #10)
5. Recommend approval of tuition for the 2011-2012 School Year Out-Of-District placements (7 students) in the amount of \$95,893.56 as per the attached (Att. #11 - confidential)
6. Recommend approval of service contract agreements with the Essex Regional Educational Services Commission for the 2012-2013 school year for both public and nonpublic services as per the attached (Att. #12)
7. Recommend approval of service agreement with Bayada Nurses to provide nursing care for student for the 2011-2012 school year in an approximate amount of \$7,000 (Att. #13 - confidential)

8. Recommend acceptance and approval of the 2012-2013 Advancement via Individual Determination (AVID) Implementation Agreement in the amount of \$3,315.00 (Att. #14)

9. Recommend approval to submit to the New Jersey Department of Education an amendment to the 2012 IDEA Basic Grant Application to reallocate funds as per attached (Att. #15)

10. Recommend approval of the preparation of the plans prepared by Parette Somjen Architects for the Art Room Renovations at the Hazel Avenue Elementary School and the submission of the plans and application to the New Jersey State Department of Education and the necessary amendments to the West Orange Board of Education's Long Range Facilities Plan.

11. Recommend approval of the attached resolution authorizing The Arc Kohler School to include the cost of meals provided in the annual tuition rate and relieving The Arc Kohler School of the requirement of charging for reduced and/or paid meals. (Att. #16)

Finance – Items 1 through 11

MOTION: Mr. Petigrow

SECOND: Mrs. Mordecai

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 April 18, 2012 at West Orange High School.

MOTION: Mrs. Casalino
(RC)

SECOND: Mrs. Mordecai

VOTE: 5-0

VIII. MOTION FOR THE NEXT BOARD MEETING to be held at 6:00 p.m. on May 7, 2012 at the Administration Building.

MOTION: Mrs. Brill
(RC)

SECOND: Mrs. Casalino

VOTE: 5-0

IX. PETITIONS AND HEARINGS OF CITIZENS

X. MOTION to adjourn to Closed Session

MOTION: Mr. Petigrow

SECOND: Mrs. Casalino

VOTE: 5-0 (VV)

XI. MOTION to reconvene to Open Session

MOTION: Mr. Petigrow

SECOND: Mrs. Casalino

VOTE: 5-0 (VV)

XII. ADJOURNMENT
MOTION: Mrs. Brill

SECOND: Mrs. Casalino

VOTE: 5-0 (VV)