

**ORADELL BOARD OF EDUCATION  
ORADELL, NEW JERSEY 07649  
PUBLIC WORK/BUSINESS SESSION MEETING &  
PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING  
Oradell Public School Auditorium  
May 1, 2024**

**AGENDA**

**I. CALL TO ORDER - 7:30 p.m.**

**II. FLAG SALUTE**

**III. SUNSHINE LAW STATEMENT**

All requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act have been met for this meeting of the Board of Education of the Borough of Oradell. Notice of this meeting was filed with The Record and Town News and all persons requesting such notice.

**IV. MISSION STATEMENT**

The Oradell Public School District is dedicated to the ongoing pursuit of educational excellence through comprehensive innovative curriculum and instruction. The District is committed to providing opportunities for social, emotional, and academic discovery to foster curiosity, courage, and character. Our goal is to prepare our students to become life-long learners who are self-directed, resilient, productive responsible citizens.

Adopted by the Oradell Board of Education March 27, 2019

**V. ROLL CALL**

Mrs. Acosta, Mr. Del Greco, Mrs. Downey, Mrs. Norian, Mr. Nutland, Mrs. Walker, Mr. Walsh, Mr. Derian, and Mrs. Watson-Nichols

**VI. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR AGENDA ITEMS ONLY**

**VII. BOARD PRESIDENT'S REMARKS**

**VIII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

2024-2025 Final Budget Presentation

**IX. BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

2024-2025 Final Budget Presentation

**X. MINUTES**

REVIEW OF MEETING MINUTES

- April 17, 2024 Work/Business Section

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

- March 27, 2024 Work/Business Section

\_\_\_\_\_ Motion \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded

**ROLL CALL**

**XI. COMMITTEE REPORTS/ACTIONS**

**A. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS**

A1. **HIB Report for March 2024** - It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board of Education affirms the decisions and findings of the listed HIB Reports) as reported by the Superintendent to the Board of Education:

1	03.18.2024.6
2	03.21.2024.7
3	03.19.2024.8
4	03.26.2024.9

A2. **Proclamation declaring May 6-10, 2024 as Teacher Appreciation Week:**

Proclamation declaring **May 6-10, 2024** as Teacher Appreciation Week at Oradell Public School:

**WHEREAS**, teachers are our nation’s heroes who motivate and inspire young minds and enable students to achieve extraordinary things; and

**WHEREAS**, teachers keep American democracy alive by laying the foundation for good citizenship and mold future citizens through guidance and education; and

**WHEREAS**, teachers fill many roles, as listeners, explorers, role models, motivators, and mentors, and open students’ minds to ideas, knowledge, and dreams; and

**WHEREAS**, teachers continue to influence us long after our school days are over; and

**WHEREAS**, New Jersey and in particular Oradell boast some of the best teachers in the country who care about each student’s education and upbringing, teaching them skills that will help them make our communities better; and

**WHEREAS**, teachers spend countless hours preparing lessons, evaluating progress, counseling and coaching students, and performing community service; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Oradell Board of Education proclaims **May 6-10, 2024, to be TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK**; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Oradell Board of Education recognizes and commends all of Oradell’s teachers and educators with appreciation for their contributions to the lives of our students; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Oradell Board of Education strongly encourages all members of our community to join with it in personally expressing appreciation to our teachers for their dedication and devotion to their work.

\_\_\_\_\_ Motion \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded

**ROLL CALL**

**B. BUILDING & GROUNDS/ SAFETY - Mr. Derian, Chairperson**

**B1. Use of School Facilities** - It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board of Education approves the following requests for use of school facilities for the **SY 2023-2024** in accordance with **Board Policy #1330**:

#	Organization	Event	Area of Building	Dates	Time	Custodian OT	Facility Charge
1	Odyssey of the Mind	Lollipop Sales	Front Lawn (near Auditorium)	5/6, 5/14, 5/31, & 6/14/24	2:30-4:00pm	N/A	N/A
2	The Men's Glee Club of New York	Choir Rehearsal/ Small Performance for Families	Auditorium	6/1/24	11:00am-4:00pm	\$58.81 x 1.5 Saturday Rate Total: \$294.05	Group D Fee: \$250 A/C Fee: \$31 Total: \$281 <b>Grand Total: \$575.05</b>
3	Oradell Girl Scout Troop 95851	Showing "The Lorax" movie for an Environmental Message	MPR C&D	5/10/24	6:15pm (setup) 7:00-9:30pm (movie)	N/A	N/A
4	Oradell PTA	Read and Rap Book Club Final Meeting	Art Room	5/21/24	3:00-4:00pm	N/A	N/A
5	Oradell PTA	Kindy Book Club	Kindergarten Classroom	5/7/24	3:00-4:15pm	N/A	N/A
6	Oradell PTA	Spring Plant Sale	Front Lawn	5/10/24	2:30-4:00pm	N/A	N/A
7	Oradell PTA	The Curious Kids Club	Art Room, Stem Lab & multiple classrooms	5/1/24	3:00-4:00pm	N/A	N/A

\_\_\_\_\_ Motion \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded  
**ROLL CALL**

**C. CURRICULUM - Mrs. Norian, Chairperson**

**D. FINANCE/ TECHNOLOGY - Mrs. Acosta, Chairperson**

**D1. Hand Check Payroll Register for April 30, 2024** - It is hereby moved, upon the recommendation of the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, that the Board retroactively approves the disbursements on the Payroll Hand Check Register for April 30, 2024 in the amount of **\$420,810.57**.

- D2. **Region V Council for Special Education for the 2024-2025 School Year** - RESOLVED, that the Oradell Board of Education (“Board”) desires to participate as a full member of the Region V Council for Special Education (“Region V”) for the 2024-2025 School Year; does hereby accept, adopt and agree to comply with the Region V Bylaws; designates Ms. Megan Bozios, Superintendent, as its representative to Region V; and empowers the superintendent to cast all votes and take all other actions necessary to represent the interests of the Board in Region V.
- D3. **Region V Joint Purchasing Agreement for the 2024-2025 School Year** - It is hereby moved, upon the recommendation of the superintendent, that the Oradell Board of Education enters into a Joint Purchasing Agreement with Region V Council for Special Education/River Edge Board of Education for 2024-2025 School Year.
- D4. **Region V Joint Transportation Agreement for the 2024-2025 School Year** - It is hereby moved, upon the recommendation of the superintendent, that the Oradell Board of Education enters into a Joint Transportation Agreement with Region V Council for Special Education/River Edge Board of Education for 2024-2025 School Year.
- D5. **Adoption of the FINAL 2024-2025 School District Budget** – It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board approves the tentative 2024-2025 school district budget for submission to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools to meet minimum educational standards as follows:

General Fund	\$15,879,443
Special Revenue Fund	\$ 281,173
Debt Service Fund	<u>\$ 427,450</u>
Total Budget	\$16,588,066

BE IT RESOLVED that included in the general fund appropriations is a deposit in the amount of **\$57,356 into the board of education’s approved Capital Reserve Account** for future funding of capital projects and represent expenditures for construction elements or projects that are in addition to the facilities efficiency standards necessary to achieve the New Jersey Student Learning Standards.

BE IT RESOLVED that included in **budget line 600 is a withdrawal from Capital Reserve – Local Share in the amount of \$522,312 for School Facilities Project: SDA Project #: 3870-050-23-G5PE; Grant #: G5-6798; HVAC System Upgrades at the Oradell Public School.** The final eligible cost of this school facility project is \$870,520.

BE IT RESOLVED that included in **budget line 620 is a withdrawal from Capital Reserve – Excess Costs & Other Capital Projects in the amount of \$260,000 for Renovations of Stairwells and Installation of a Rooftop HVAC Unit** at the Oradell Public School. The total cost of these school facility projects is \$260,000, which represents expenditures for construction elements or projects that exceed the facilities efficiency standards determined by the Commissioner as necessary to achieve the New Jersey Student Learning Standards as recommended by the Superintendent.

BE IT RESOLVED that included in **budget line 630 is a withdrawal from Maintenance Reserve Account in the amount of \$150,000 for use on required maintenance** activities for a school facility as reported in the board of education’s comprehensive maintenance plan pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:26-20.5.

BE IT RESOLVED that included in **budget line 660 is a withdrawal from Emergency Reserve Account in the amount of \$45,000 for school security improvements.**

BE IT RESOLVED that included in the Adoption of the Final 2024-2025 General Fund Tax Levy is the **Use of Banked Cap in the amount of \$50,000 and the Health Care Adjustment in the amount of \$75,250.**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the following General Fund and Debt Service tax levies be approved to support the 2024-2025 budget:

**General Fund Tax Levy    \$13,365,953**  
**Debt Service Tax Levy        \$427,450**

**D6. Approval of a Maximum Travel Expenditure for SY 2024-2025**

WHEREAS, the Oradell Board of Education recognizes school staff and Board members will incur travel expenses related to and within the scope of their current responsibilities and for travel that promotes the delivery of instruction or furthers the efficient operation of the school district; and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-7.3 et seq. requires Board members to receive approval of these expenses by a majority of the full voting membership of the Board and staff members to receive prior approval of these expenses by the Superintendent of Schools and a majority of the full voting membership of the Board; and

WHEREAS, Oradell Board of Education ESTABLISHED \$40,000 as the maximum for the current school year and has expended \$5,660 as of this date; and

BE IT RESOLVED the Board of Education approves travel and related expense reimbursements in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-7.3, to a maximum expenditure of \$40,000 for the 2024-2025 school year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the School Business Administrator shall track and record these costs to ensure that the maximum amount is not exceeded

**D7. Approval of Special Education Program/Services -** It is hereby moved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board approves the following Program/Services beginning on May 6, 2024 – ending June 30, 2024.

Student #183	Northern Valley Regional High School Valley Program- Tuition	\$14,307.15
	Occupational Therapy 2x/week @ \$62/session	\$992.00
	Physical Therapy 1x/week @ \$62/session	\$496.00
<b>Total: \$15,795.15</b>		

**D8. Approval of an In-Kind Donation from Zuccaro, Inc. -**

WHEREAS, the Oradell Board of Education is accepting an in-kind donation of services totaling more than \$1,000 from Zuccaro, Inc; and

WHEREAS, the services provided by Zuccaro, Inc. include all associated work, excluding materials, to resurface the basketball court on Center Street; and

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Oradell Board of Education approves the acceptance of the in-kind donation for the aforementioned specified purposes.

\_\_\_\_\_ Motion \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded  
**ROLL CALL**

- E. **NJSBA/ BCSBA DELEGATE REPORT** - Mr. Walsh, Delegate
- F. **PERSONNEL** - Mrs. Walker, Chairperson

F1. It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board accepts and approves the Personnel Committee Report dated **May 1, 2024**.

\_\_\_\_\_ Motion \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded  
**ROLL CALL**

- G. **POLICY** - Mr. Del Greco, Chairperson
- H. **PUBLIC RELATIONS** - Mrs. Downey, Chairperson

**XII. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

**XIII. OLD BUSINESS**

**XIV. NEW BUSINESS**

**XV. CLOSED SESSION - (IF NECESSARY)**

*(NOTICE: Public action may be taken after Closed Session concludes.)*

**WHEREAS**, a matter to be considered by the Board of Education deals with personnel, negotiations and/or possible litigation, and

**WHEREAS**, public disclosure of this matter may be prejudicial to the public good,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that this matter be considered in a meeting closed to the public; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Minutes of this meeting be sealed until the matter is resolved.

\_\_\_\_\_ Motion \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded  
**ROLL CALL**

**XVI. ADJOURNMENT**

\_\_\_\_\_ Motion \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded  
**ROLL CALL**