

**ORADELL BOARD OF EDUCATION  
ORADELL, NEW JERSEY 07649  
PUBLIC WORK/BUSINESS SESSION MEETING  
Oradell Public School Auditorium  
October 13, 2021**

**MINUTES**

**I.     *The meeting was called to order at 7:33 p.m. by Mrs. Nichols.***

**II.    *The Flag Salute was led by Mr. Walsh.***

**III.   *The Sunshine Law Statement was read by Mrs. Nichols.***

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.    *The Mission Statement was read by Mr. Derian.***

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****

*Present: Mrs. Bhatia-Nigam, Mrs. Levy, Mrs. Norian, Mrs. Shapiro, Mrs. Walker, Mr. Walsh, Mr. Derian, and Mrs. Nichols.*

*Absent: Mr. Griffin*

*Also present were John M. Marmora, Business Administrator/Board Secretary, Megan Bozios, Superintendent, and approximately 9 members of the public via Zoom.*

**VI.    **OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR AGENDA ITEMS ONLY - None****

**VII.   **BOARD PRESIDENT’S REMARKS - None****

**VIII.  **SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT****

*Ms. Bozios gave an update on the security system project. Ms. Bozios mentioned that the Oradell families attended Goal setting Conferences with teachers. She reported that the Start Strong Assessments have started and discussed the report process. Ms. Bozios highlighted that*

*Oradell Special Area Teachers were able to collaborate with River Edge District. Ms. Bozios concluded with a reminder that October is National Principal's Month.*

**IX. BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

*Mr. Marmora stated the NJSBA Virtual Workshop starts on Tuesday, October 26<sup>th</sup>.*

**X. MINUTES**

*A motion by Mr. Walsh, seconded by Mrs. Walker, the approval of the 9/1/2021 Meeting Minutes and the review of Meeting Minutes of 9/22/2021 were approved and carried by a roll call vote of 6-0. Mrs. Nichols and Mr. Derian abstained. Mr. Griffin was absent.*

REVIEW OF MEETING MINUTES

- September 22, 2021 Work/Business Section

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

- September 1, 2021 Work/Business Section

**XI. CLOSED SESSION**

*A motion by Mrs. Norian, and seconded by Mr. Walsh, and carried by a roll call vote of 8-0, the Board entered into closed session at 7:38 p.m.. Mr. Griffin was absent.*

**WHEREAS**, a matter to be considered by the Board of Education deals with personnel 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.

*No action was taken.*

*A motion by Mr. Norian, seconded by Mr. Walsh, and carried by a roll call vote of 8-0, to exit closed session at 7:46 p.m. Mr. Griffin was absent.*

**XII. COMMITTEE REPORTS/ACTIONS**

**A. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS**

*A motion by Mr. Derian, seconded by Mr. Walsh, and carried by a roll call vote of 8-0 the Board approved A1. Mr. Griffin was absent.*

A1. **Approval of the Merit Goal Submission** - It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, that Board of Education approves the submission of the attached Merit Goal for the Business Administrator/ Board Secretary John M. Marmora for the 2021-2022 school year to the Executive County Superintendent for approval.

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

*A motion by Mr. Derian, seconded by Mrs. Walsh, and carried by a roll call vote of 8-0 the Board approved B1. Mr. Griffin was absent.*

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 2021 -2022** in accordance with **Board Policy #1330**:

#	Organization	Event	Area of Building	Dates	Time	Custodian OT	Facility Charge
1.	Oradell PTA (Category A)	Fall Garden Cleanup	Back Lawn Garden Beds	9/28/21,Tues. 10/3/21,Sun.	3:00P.M.-5:00 P.M. 1:00P.M.-4:00 P.M.	-0-	-0-
2.	Oradell PTA (Category A)	Legislative Committee Meet the BOE Candidate Night	Auditorium	10/6/21, Wed.	7:00P.M.-10:00 P.M.	-0-	-0-
3.	Oradell Public School 6 <sup>th</sup> Gr. Activities (Category A)	Meeting with 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Parents	Auditorium	10/20/21,Wed	7:00P.M.-8:30 P.M.	-0-	-0-
4.	Oradell Public School (Category A)	Family Science Instruction & Activities	MPR C & D	10/27/21, 11/10/21, 11/17/21, 12/1/21, 12/8/21 (Wednesdays)	3:30 P.M. -- 8:00 P.M.	-0-	-0-
5.	YWCA	After School Program	Gym	11/1/21 – 6/25/21	3:00 P.M. - 4:30 P.M.	-0-	-0-
6.	Oradell SEPAC	Meeting	IMC/Library	12/9/21, Thurs.	7:30 P.M. - 9:00 P.M.	-0-	-0-

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

*A motion by Mrs. Norian, seconded by Mrs. Walsh, and carried by a roll call vote of 8-0 the Board approved C1. Mr. Griffin was absent.*

C1. **Approval of Walking Field Trip Destination(s)** – It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board approves the following walking field trip destination(s) for SY 2021-2022:

#	Destination
1	Blauvelt Museum
2	Kinderkamack Business District

3	Memorial Field
4	Oradell Police and Fire Departments
5	Oradell Public Library
6	River Dell Regional Schools

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

*Mrs. Shapiro reviewed some highlights from the last Finance Committee Meeting on 9/29/2021, including auditorium renovation technology, and starting next year’s budget.*

*A motion by Mrs. Shapiro, seconded by Mr. Walsh, and carried by a roll call vote of 8-0 the Board approved D1-D6. Mr. Griffin was absent.*

- D1. **Hand Check Payroll Register for September 30, 2021**– 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 September 30, 2021 in the amount of **\$381,806.78**.
- D2. **Check Register for October 13, 2021** - It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Business Administrator/ Board Secretary, that the Board approves the disbursements on the October 13, 2021 Check Register in the amount of **\$240,844.25** check numbers **990058-990059 and 022361 - 022420**.
- D3. **Approval of the Financial Reports** of the Board Secretary and Treasurer – It is hereby moved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board approve the Report of the Board Secretary, A148, and the Treasurer, A149, as of **August 31,2021**
- D4. **Transfer of Funds** – It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board approves the Monthly Transfers Report as of **August 31,2021**, in accordance with Title 18A:22-8.1 and furthermore, designates the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to make budget transfers between line items, and to make additional transfers as necessary between monthly meetings of the Board.
- D5. **Monthly Budgetary Line Item Certification** – RESOLVED, that the Board Secretary for the Oradell Board of Education certifies that pursuant to N.J.A.C 6A:23A-16.10 (c) 3 as of **August 31,2021**, that no line item account has encumbrances and expenditures, which in total exceed the line item appropriation in violation of N.J.A.C 6A:23A-16.10 (a) ; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the Oradell Board of Education certifies that pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10 (c) 4 that after review of the Board Secretary’s Report (A148) and Treasurer’s Report (A149) and the advice of district officials, we have no reason to doubt that any major account or fund has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C 6A:23A-16.10 (b) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the District’s financial obligation for the remainder of the fiscal year.

D6. **REVISED 6/23/2021: Approval of Special Education Programs/Services for SY 2021-22** – It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board approves the following Programs/Services for SY 2021-22.

STUDENT #	DESCRIPTION OF PROGRAM/SERVICES	COST
104	Deron School (ESY tuition) 30 days	10,479
	1:1 Aide (ESY)	4,950
	Deron School (September 2021- <del>June</del> tuition) 180 days	(prorated) 62,874
	1:1 Aide (September 2021- <del>June</del> )	(prorated) 29,700
143	Northern Valley Regional High School-Valley Program (9/29/2021-6/30/2022)	(prorated) 72,373
	Occupational Therapy 2x/wk. @ \$65 (36 weeks)	4,680
143	Flex School (ESY tuition)	6,535
	Flex School (Sept-June tuition)	97,065

E. **NJSBA/ BCSBA DELEGATE REPORT-** Mr. Walsh, Delegate – *None*

F. **PERSONNEL-** Mrs. Walker, Chairperson

*Mrs. Walker stated that Section E was updated to replace Salary Amount from TBD to \$14.30/hr.*

*A motion by Mrs. Walker, seconded by Mr. Walsh, and carried by a roll call vote of 8-0 the Board approved F1. Mr. Griffin was absent.*

F1. It is hereby moved, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board accepts and approves the Personnel Committee Report dated **October 13, 2021**.

G. **POLICY-** Mrs. Levy, Chairperson

*Mrs. Shapiro commented that while the Board of Education Members don't always agree with all decisions. She supports the law.*

*A motion by Mrs. Levy, seconded by Mr. Walsh, and carried by a roll call vote of 8-0 the Board approved G1. Mr. Griffin was absent.*

G1. Second reading and adoption of the following Policies:

	Policy #	Description
1	5141.10	Face Coverings
2	5141.11	Vaccination and Testing

H. PUBLIC RELATIONS- Mr. Griffin, Chairperson - *None*

I. COVID-19 TASK FORCE- Mr. Griffin, Chairperson - *None*

XIII. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC – *None*

XIV. OLD BUSINESS - *None*

XV. NEW BUSINESS

*Mrs. Norian reiterated Mr. Marmora’s comment and encourages all the BOE members to attend the NJSBA workshops. Mr. Marmora pointed out that a copy of the Workshop Agenda is in tonight’s packet.*

*Mrs. Walker commented on a recent NJSBA article titled “Let’s Resort Civility at Board of Education Meeting”. Also spoke on the recent Blue Ribbon School Award appointments.*

*Mrs. Levy commented on the new art teacher’s, Ms. Schlessinger, pinwheels project showcased on the front lawn.*

*Mrs. Shapiro and Mrs. Levy asked about student testing. Ms. Bozios responded.*

*Mr. Derian commented on the meeting attendance. Mrs. Shapiro noted that the public is always welcomed.*

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

*A motion made by Mrs. Norian, and seconded by Mrs. Walker, and carried a roll call vote of 8-0, the meeting was adjourned at 7:58 p.m.*

*Respectfully Submitted,*



*John M. Marmora  
Business Administrator/Board Secretary*