WEST ORANGE BOARD OF EDUCATION Public Board Meeting - 8:00 p.m. – November 25, 2013 West Orange High School 51 Conforti Avenue

Minutes

I. ROLL CALL OF THE MEMBERS AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Present: Mrs. Casalino, Mrs. Brill, Mrs. Lab, Mrs. Mordecai, Mr. Charles

Motion to adjourn to closed session to discuss personnel items, certain job descriptions, proposal for legal services and ROTC program.

MOTION: Mrs. Lab SECOND: Mr. Charles VOTE: 5-0 (VV)

Motion to reconvene to open session.

MOTION: Mr. Brill SECOND: Mrs. Lab 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 January 10, 2013.
- B. That said notice was sent by regular mail to the West Orange Township Clerk and the Editors of the <u>West Orange Chronicle</u> and the <u>Star-Ledger</u>.
- 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 12, 2013 (Att. #1)

MOTION: Mrs. Lab SECOND: Mr. Charles VOTE: 5-0 (VV)

- IV. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC ON AGENDA ITEMS
- V. SUPERINTENDENT'S AND/OR BOARD'S REPORTS

A. First Reading of the Following Board Policies:

Use of School Facilities	1330.00
Conduct/Discipline	5131.00
Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying	5131.10
Internet Safety and Technology	6142.10
Research	6162.50
Special Education	6171.40

MOTION: Mrs. Lab SECOND: Mr. Charles VOTE: 5-0 (VV)

VI. REPORTS, DISCUSSIONS, AND RECOMMENDATIONS

A. PERSONNEL

1. Resignations

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

Rita Wojchik, English Teacher, WOHS, for retirement purposes, effective 2/3/14

Michael Lawrence, Honors and A.P. Physics Teacher, WOHS, for retirement purposes, effective 7/1/14

Mary Ann McGonigle, Language Arts Teacher, WOHS, for retirement purposes, effective 2/1/14

Victor Alcindor, English Teacher, from WOAP Program, effective 1/31/14

2. Appointments

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

Sonia Sulis, Italian Teacher, Liberty and Roosevelt Schools, BA-1, \$50,440, effective retroactive to 10/1/13 (continuation pending receipt of State documents)

Kelly Boehmer, Technical Education Teacher, WOHS, MA-8, \$62,352, effective 1/2/14 (replacement)

Beverly Garcia, Clerical Aide, Pleasantdale School, \$17.50/hour, not to exceed 6 hours/week effective 11/25/13-6/18/14 (replacement)

Lauren Salvatoriello, Part-time Instructional Aide, Pleasantdale School, BA-1, \$23.41/hour, not to exceed 20 hours/week, effective retroactive to 11/18/13-6/18/14

Edward Cassidy, Utility Supervisor, Buildings and Grounds Department, salary to remain the same, effective 12/30/13 (replacement)

Paula Petrucelli, Breakfast Aide, Pleasantdale School, \$35/hour, 5 hours/week, effective 12/2/13 (replacement)

Rosa Valencia, 1:1 Instructional Aide, Roosevelt School, BA-4, \$28,232, effective retroactive to 11/11/13 (replacement)

Co-Curricular Assignments/Resignations for the 2013-2014 school year:

- Appointment, Paul Tankard, Winter Color Guard Coordinator, Fine Arts, \$3,000
- Appointment, Louis Hellinger, Winter Color Guard Show Designer (Drill), Fine Arts,\$3,000
- Resignation, Ursula McGee, Unity Club Advisor, Roosevelt School, effective retroactive to 11/14/13

The following Substitute Custodians, Night Shift, Buildings and Grounds Department, \$12/hour, effective 11/26/13:

- Alphonso Richardson
- Gustavo Contreras
- Joseph Dobias

Additions to the Substitute List for the 2013-2014 school year, pending completion of paperwork:

- Sara Dankosky, Teacher
- Joseph Motyka, Teacher

Staff to provide home instruction, on an "as needed" basis, for the 2013-2014 school year, as per the attached (Att. #2)

Coaching Assignments, WOHS, for the 2013-2014 school year:

- David Grant, Winter Weight Room Monitor
- Claire Leggiero, Winter Weight Room Monitor

3. Leave(s) of Absence

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

Phyllis Seibert, Kindergarten Teacher, Hazel School, paid medical leave of absence, effective retroactive to 11/6/13-6/30/14

Jill Deardorff, Special Education Teacher, Pleasantdale School, maternity leave of absence, effective 12/18/13-4/4/14

Nicole Silvagni, Resource Room Teacher, Liberty School, extension of maternity leave of absence, effective retroactive to 9/3/13-1/31/14

Angela Bisono, Custodian, Washington School, medical leave of absence, effective retroactive to 11/15/13-12/15/13, or until released by physician

Lois Menken, Occupational Therapist, Redwood/St. Cloud/Washington Schools, approval of 2 days without pay, effective 1/23/14-1/24/14

Aliki Salomone, English Teacher, Roosevelt School, maternity leave of absence, effective 2/21/14-6/30/14

Amie Navarro, General Education Aide, Mt. Pleasant School, maternity leave of absence, effective 1/2/14-5/2/14

Anita Crompton, Basic Skills Teacher, Redwood School, paid medical leave of absence, effective retroactive to 11/19/13 until released by physician

Karen Gleason, Science Teacher, Roosevelt School, maternity leave of absence, effective 4/10/14-6/30/14

Barbara Chery, Part-time Bus Monitor, Transportation Department, unpaid medical leave of absence, effective retroactive to 11/7/13-12/8/13

4. Transfers

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

Kristine DiTrani-Weinberger, Special Education Teacher, Roosevelt School, to .5 Special Education Teacher, St. Cloud School, effective 12/1/13

Personnel – Item 2a

Motion to table the appointment of Edward Cassidy as Utility Supervisor, Buildings and Grounds.

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

Personnel – Items 1 through 4, with the exception as noted above

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

B. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

- 1. Recommend approval of the following textbook adoption requests: (Att. #3)
 - Biology for Biology, Grade 9
 - Foundations for LEP Biology, Grades 9, 10, 11, 12
- 2. Recommend approval of the following Field Trip requests for the 2013-2014 school year:

Group	Destination	
Liberty School, Grade 8	Liberty Science Center	
Hazel, Grade 4	Ellis Island (destination change)	

Curriculum and Instruction – Items 1 and 2

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

C. FINANCE

1. Recommend approval of the 11/25/13 Bills List: (Att. #4)

Payroll/Benefits	\$ 5,726,578.21
Transportation	\$ 547,601.29
Special Ed. Tuition	\$ 301,466.13
Instruction	\$ 490,510.57
Facilities	\$ 197,043.70
Capital Outlay	\$ 261,629.66
Grants	\$ 151,826.15
Food Service	\$ 393,086.98
Textbooks/Supplies/Athletics/Misc.	\$ 145,131.58
	\$ 8.214.874.27

- 2. Recommend approval of tuition for the 2013-2014 School Year Out-Of-District Placements as per the attached (Att. #5)
- 3. Recommend approval of Application for School Business Request for the following:
 - Elise Volpe, to attend PowerSchool University, Orlando, FL, March 8-13, 2014, for a cost of \$3,581

- 4. Recommend acceptance of donation from New York Life Foundation, in honor of gift from New York Life Employee, in the amount of \$60, for the benefit of Redwood Elementary School.
- 5. Recommend approval of the following Fine Arts appointments:
 - Jaclyn Milnes, Winter Color Guard Instructor, \$1,956
 - Matthew Schmidt, Vocal Music Director, Spring Musical, \$2,500
 - Matthew Schmidt, Rehearsal Pianist, Spring Musical, \$1,396
- 6. Receipt of the Treasurer of School Monies Reports for the months of July and August, 2013 (Att. #6)

Finance – Items 1 through 5

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

Finance – Item 6

The Board acknowledged receipt of the Treasurer of School Monies Reports for the months of July and August, 2013.

D. REPORTS

- 1. The Board of Education recognizes receipt of the HIB report for the period ending 11/25/13
- VII. 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 December 16, 2013 at West Orange High School.

MOTION: Mr. Charles SECOND: Mrs. Lab VOTE: 5-0 (VV)

- IX. PETITIONS AND HEARINGS OF CITIZENS
- X. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Mrs. Mordecai SECOND: Mr. Charles VOTE: 5-0 (VV)