

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
OAKLAND, NEW JERSEY**

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Meeting A Special Meeting/Work Session of the Board of Education was held at the Administration Office on the above date. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM by Mr. Talamini.

Meeting Notice Mr. Talamini led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance and read the Open Public Meetings announcement as follows: The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to insure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of this Act, the Oakland Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time and place thereof posted on November 7, 2012 in the Municipal Building, the Board Offices, all school offices and copies sent to newspapers serving Oakland: The Record, Ridgewood News and Suburban News. The Board reserves the right to limit public discussion of personnel items, so as to preserve individual privacy.

The Board appreciates the concerns and comments expressed by the public and will take them into consideration. However, please remain advised that, neither the Board nor the administration may comment on or respond to public inquiries or statements regarding any internal personnel matters involving a District employee.

Please be further advised that there is no privilege or qualified privilege with regard to any statements that you make before the Board of Education. Furthermore, in addition to their respective rights to privacy, employees of this school district retain all rights regarding defamation and slander according the laws of New Jersey.

Roll Call The following members were present: Mr. Akovity, Mr. Gaffney, Ms. Matts, Mr. Scerbo, Mr. Talamini. Also present were Dr. Richard G. Heflich, Ms. Joan Dunn, Mr. Paul Lerch, Lerch, Vinci, Higgins, Auditor, and approximately three members of the public.

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Executive Session
Part I

WHEREAS, The Board of Education must discuss subjects concerning Chief School Administrator search and conduct interviews of interim Superintendent candidates, and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid subjects are not appropriate subjects to be discussed in a public meeting; and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid subjects to be discussed are within the exemptions which are permitted to be discussed and acted upon in closed executive session pursuant to P.L. 1975, Chapter 231, it is therefore

RESOLVED, that the aforesaid subjects shall be discussed in a closed executive session by this Board and the administrative staff at the conclusion of the public segment of this meeting and information pertaining thereto will be made available to the public as soon thereafter as possible and once the reasons for nondisclosure no longer exist.

Ms. Matts moved and Mr. Gaffney seconded to enter Executive Session (Part I). On a roll call vote: ALL AYES.

Executive Session was entered at 5:35 PM

Return to Open Session

Ms. Matts moved and Mr. Talamini seconded to return to Open Session. On a roll call vote: ALL AYES.

Open Session was returned to at 6:30 PM

Mr. Lerch discussed the Audit Report with the Board of Education. Mr. Lerch gave an overview of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the year ending June 30, 2012. It had been distributed previously to the members of the Board of Education. He stated that the data was unqualified which is positive for the District. The fund balance was reviewed in some detail as well as the capital reserve account. There are two recommendations which appear in the Corrective Action Plan which is much lower than the six items from the prior year. The Board discussed the report and the plans to address the issues raised.

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Executive Session
Part II

Ms. Matts moved and Mr. Akovity seconded to continue the Executive Session (Part II) for same purposes as previously stated. On a roll call vote: ALL AYES.

**Return to Open
Session**

Ms. Matts moved and Mr. Gaffney seconded to Return to Open Session. On a voice vote: ALL AYES.

Open Session was returned to at 7:15 PM

Dr. Heflich reviewed Agenda for Regular Monthly Meeting.

**Adjournment of
Public Meeting**

Ms. Matts moved and Mr. Talamini seconded to adjourn the meeting. On a voice vote: ALL AYES.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:25 PM and the Board moved to the Cafetorium for the Regular Public Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Ms. Joan C. Dunn
Board Secretary/Business Administrator