

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
OAKLAND, NEW JERSEY**

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Meeting A Work Session of the Board of Education was held at the Administration Office on the above date. The meeting was called to order at 6:04 PM by Mr. Gaffney.

Meeting Notice Mr. Gaffney 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 May 3, 2014 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, Ms. Cooper, Mr. Gaffney, Mr. Scerbo, Ms. Shelkin. Also present were Dr. Gina M. Coffaro, Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Kyle J. Bleeker, Business Administrator/Board Secretary, and no members of the public.

- *Presentation of the June 30, 2014 CAFR and AMR by Mr. Paul Lerch of Lerch, Vinci, and Higgins*

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• *Business Administrator's Report*

Buildings and Grounds

- LAN Contract for Heights Parking lot \$12,900
- Auction Items
 - Very successful second auction to date approximately \$37,000 in revenue brought in
- New custodian for Dogwood Hill on for appointment tonight
 - Mr. Donald Kanaar
 - Mr. Raybeck will transfer to Heights
- Visited Paramus BOE to see Centurion Security System
 - scheduling sales rep to give us a quote

Technology

- Middlesex Regional Ed Services Commission recently awarded contracts on behalf of State entities for Broadband technology services
- We are in process of evaluating if it would be a good fit for us
- Preliminary discussion is that we may be able to receive 1Gb service for what we are paying for 300 MB
 - May have to purchase new content filter

Cafeteria

- Village Fresh Report - approximately 25% of lunches sold have been Village Fresh
- On the agenda is an approval to purchase kitchen equipment for the three elementary schools
 - Three stoves (one for each elementary school)
 - Two convection ovens (one for Dogwood Hill and one for Manito)

Finance

- Audit presented by Mr. Lerch
- Corrective Action Plan will be implemented
- Refunding
 - State Mandates that we review bonds annually to determine if we can achieve an NPV savings of 3% or more
 - For the 2006 we are projected to save approximately \$55,000 over the remaining life of the bond (2021)
 - The 2007 bonds are non-callable until 2019 and therefore no savings will be achieved at this time
 - There will be a second reading in January

Transportation

- New procedures for dismissal at VMS will take place in mid-January
 - Mr. Desiderio is preparing a memo notifying the parents

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Other

- Future Dates
 - January 20, 2015 next BOE meeting

- *Superintendent's Report*
 - Discussion of new proposed parking at VMS
 - Discussion of waiver from QSAC

Tonight's Schedule

- . 6:00 p.m. - Public Work Session
- . 7:30 p.m. - Board of Education Regular Meeting

Executive Session Ms. Cooper moved and Ms. Shelkin seconded to Enter Executive Session. On a roll call vote: ALL AYES.

Executive Session was entered at 7:10 PM

Return to Open Session Mr. Scerbo moved and Mr. Akovity seconded to Return to Open Session. On a roll call vote: ALL AYES.

Open Session was returned to at 7:30 PM

Adjournment Ms. Shelkin moved and Mr. Scerbo seconded to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:31 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. Kyle J. Bleeker
Board Secretary/Business Administrator