

**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 6:05 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 four members of the public.

• *Presentation by Mr. Charles Anthony Solimine, Esq. of McManimon, Scotland & Baumann, LLC regarding the refunding bond ordinance and resolution*

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- *Business Administrator's Report*

- Buildings and Grounds

- Shared Services Agreement with town
 - This is for the work at VMS Parking lot
 - Scoreboard
 - Board to be purchased with the town
 - Installation to be paid for by us
 - Discuss maintenance truck
 - New hours for evening staff 2:30-11:00 pm
 - New custodian at Dogwood has started
 - Meeting with Centurion on Friday
 - Personnel new Job Description

- Technology

- Meeting with Lightpath to see if the MRESC Broadband bid would be a good fit for us
 - May have to purchase new content filter

- Cafeteria

- Village Fresh Report - approximately 20% of lunches sold have been Village Fresh
 - New equipment discussed at last meeting has been ordered and delivery is expected during February Break

- Finance

- 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
 - Annual resolutions regarding the election
 - Resolution closing Capital reserve account per the auditor
 - Budget is approximately 85% finalized, will be meeting with Admin in the coming days to review fully as well as a meeting with Mr. Scerbo
 - Draft of the Budget to the County by March 9
 - Approved by BOE on March 3

- Transportation

- New procedures for dismissal at VMS are going very well
 - Thank you to Chief
 - Personnel for Executive Session

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Other

- Future Dates

- February 9, 2015 Negotiations with OAA
- February 19, 2015 NJSBA Security Task Force event in Montville
- February 24, 2015 Next BOE meeting
- March 3, 2015 Meeting to approve preliminary budget

• *Superintendent's Report*

- Thanked the Board for support of security meeting at Indian Hills

Tonight's Schedule

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

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

Executive Session was entered at 6:50 PM

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

Open Session was returned to at 7:23 PM

Adjournment Ms. Shelkin moved and Ms. Cooper seconded to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:24 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. Kyle J. Bleeker
Board Secretary/Business Administrator