

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
OAKLAND, NEW JERSEY**

February 24, 2015

1 of 2

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 6:03 PM by Ms. Shelkin.

Meeting Notice Ms. Shelkin 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: Ms. Cooper, 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. Mr. Akovity arrived at 6:17 pm and Mr. Gaffney arrived at 7:05 pm.

• *Superintendent's Report*

- Gave an overview of tonight's PARCC presentation by Ms. Manganelli and Mr. Smiraldi
- The District is well prepared for the PARCC test
- At this time less than 2% of eligible students are opting out
- Police will be bringing DARE students to Big Apple Circus, not Ringling Brothers
- Continuing to monitor dismissal procedures at VMS
- Discussion on Safe Schools grant awarded to Borough of Oakland

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
OAKLAND, NEW JERSEY**

February 24, 2015

2 of 2

Tonight's Schedule

. 6:00 p.m. - Public Work Session

. 7:30 p.m. - Board of Education Regular Meeting

• *Business Administrator's Report*

- Gave overview of agenda items

- Mr. Akovity asked if the architect had given opinion regarding the Energy Audit Company

. Mr. Bleeker responded they had not

. Mr. Akovity recommended and the BOE agreed to re-word the resolution to include "contingent upon satisfactory reference check with the architect"

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

Executive Session was entered at 6:25 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 7:28 PM

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

Meeting was adjourned at 7:29 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. Kyle J. Bleeker
Board Secretary/Business Administrator