

**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 6:01 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. Gaffney, 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 6:40.

- *Superintendent's Report*
 - Discussion on the equivalency waiver
 - Discussion on the revised calendar
 - Discussion on the Settlement agreement with the coordinators

Tonight's Schedule

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

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

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• *Business Administrator's Report*

Buildings & Grounds

- VMS Parking Lot
 - Approval of project on Agenda tonight to be sent to State
- Congratulations to Mr. Tumminia
 - Has completed all coursework to obtain his CEFM license
- Safe Routes to School Grant
 - Met with Borough
 - Will focus on Heights Area
- Scoreboard
 - Approved by Town
- Discuss Maintenance truck
 - Bids have been opened
- Security Cameras on Agenda for tonight
 - Dogwood Hill School
 - Installed and working well
- Drainage and Survey at Heights
 - Currently in the process of reviewing plans
- Busy April Break
 - Energy Audit
 - Patwood Finalize
 - Staff Room at VMS
 - Paint in Cafeteria
 - Outside Cleaning Up Grounds
 - Right to Know Survey
 - Manito Roof Repair to Soffit
 - Fire Alarm Repair at Dogwood Hill
 - Clean Buses

Cafeteria

- State review was done during the week of 3/23
 - Review was excellent
 - Ms. King and Ms. Piccone did an outstanding job preparing for the review as well as maintaining records and operations through the year.
- Corrective Action Plan Minimal
 - Used old forms once
 - Need to work with Realtime to update and distinguish the fields of ethnicity (Hispanic or Non-Hispanic) as well as race
 - As an FYI - need to update policy
- National Review Survey, part of Healthy Hunger - Free kids act to be done next week

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• *Business Administrator's Report (continued)*

Finance

- In the process of closing our open PO's and beginning to prepare for the end of year closeout
- Budget vote next week

Transportation

- Will look at potential new bus to be ordered in the spring
- Need to re-bid routes and re-evaluate transportation

Other

- Future Dates
 - April 21, 2015 - Election
 - April 28, 2015 - Reorganization Meeting
 - Meeting dates will be established at reorganization for May going forward
 - Will try to keep it to the Third Tuesday of the Month

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

Executive Session was entered at 6:29 PM

Mr. Akovity arrived at 6:40 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 7:15 PM

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

Meeting was adjourned at 7:16 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. Kyle J. Bleeker
Board Secretary/Business Administrator