

Minutes of **Monday, April 27, 2015 Special Public Meeting (District Strategic Planning)** of the Orange Board Of Education held at 6:30 p.m., at Lincoln Avenue School, 216 Lincoln Avenue, Orange, New Jersey.

Mr. Abdul-Shabazz Ashanti  
Mr. E. Lydell Carter  
Mrs. Paula Desormes  
Mrs. Marion Graves-Jackson  
Ms. Cristina Mateo  
Mr. Jeffrey Wingfield  
Mrs. Patricia Arthur

**ALSO PRESENT:**

- Mr. Ronald C. Lee, Superintendent of Schools
- Mrs. Belinda Scott-Smiley, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent for Operations/Human Resource Services
- Dr. Paula E. Howard, Deputy Superintendent of Schools
- Mr. Adekunle O. James, School Business Administrator/  
Board Secretary
- Mr. Akindele Ayodele, Assistant School Business Administrator/Board Secretary
- Mr. Melvin Randall, School Board Attorney with the firm of  
Love & Randall

In conformance with the **Board of Education Policy 1120-1 and Open Public Meeting Act, Chapter 231**, this is to announce that this Special Public Board Meeting of the Orange Board of Education is being convened with adequate notice. Notice of this meeting has been posted at the Administrative Office, filed with the City Clerk's Office of the City of Orange Township and delivered to the Orange Transcript and the Star Ledger.

The City of Orange Township Board of Education encourages the participation and input from members of the public at its board meetings. However, in accordance with Board Policy, verbal attacks against individual staff members or members of the Board are not permitted. Persons are encouraged to address the Board regarding comments relating to agenda items or issues concerning the educational process. The Board of Education thanks you for your cooperation.

**FLAG SALUTE**

All in attendance will participate in performing the flag salute


**BOARD COMMENTS**

- The meeting commenced at 6:45pm. Mr. Lee welcomed members of the public and introduced the consultants from the NJ School Boards.
- Ms. Charlene Peterson of the New Jersey School Board gave a recap of the previous strategic planning meeting and informed the public that the objective of the last meeting was to develop broad goal statements for each of the goal areas.
- Members of the public were subdivided into four groups (ie:- 21<sup>st</sup> Century Learning; Community Engagement & Outreach; Culture & Climate and Finance & Facilities) followed by break up sessions where members of each group further discussed the goals. The Consultants invited leaders of each group to render summaries of their goals, followed by a general discussion.
- The meeting ended at 8:30pm.

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 and in conformance with the Board of Education Policy 1120-1 **and Open Public Meeting Act, Chapter 231**, this is to announce that the Orange Board Of Education will hold its next regularly scheduled **Meeting** on **October 11, 2011**, Closed Session at 5:00 p.m. and Public Session at 7:30 p.m. It is expected that the discussion undertaken in the closed session board meeting can be made public at the time official action is taken or when its confidentiality is no longer required.

**APPROVAL DATE: May 12, 2015**

**ATTESTED TO BY:**

  
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**School Business Administrator/  
Board Secretary**