

Minutes of **Tuesday, March 8, 2016, Public Board Meeting** of the Orange Board Of Education held at 7:30 p.m., Orange Preparatory Academy, 400 Central Avenue, Orange, New Jersey.

Cristina Mateo is presiding over tonight's meeting.

Mr. Abdul-Shabazz Ashanti
Mrs. Paula Desormes
Ms. Gloria Fisher
Mr. Jarteau Israel
Mr. Jeffrey Wingfield
Mr. E. Lydell Carter
Ms. Cristina Mateo

ROLL CALL: (7) PRESENT (0) ABSENT

ALSO PRESENT:

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

In conformance with the **Board of Education Policy 1120-1 and Open Public Meeting Act, Chapter 231**, this is to announce that this 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

The following Orange High School student will lead the public in the Flag Salute:
Taiwo Odunowo

PRESENTATIONS

Career and Technical Education at OHS Video Presentation
Taiwo Odunowo

CIAO-CAST Video Presentation
Ms. Erica Stewart, Principal, Career & Innovation Academy of Orange

Gifted and Talented Awareness Month: Scholars Academy
Mrs. Karen Machuca, Principal, Scholars Academy

2016-2017 District Budget Presentation

Mr. Adekunle James, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Superintendent Report

Mr. Ronald C. Lee, Superintendent of Schools

BOARD MINUTES

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BOARD COMMENTS

- Roll call was performed by Mr. James at 7:35pm followed by the Flag Salute performed by an OHS student and a presentation by OHS Administration Dr. Erika Stewart rendered a presentation followed by a presentation by Ms. Machuca on the Gifted and Talented. Ms. Kathy Carter also rendered a presentation on findings by the OFAC on certain breaches by the District in 2012. The OFAC concluded in February 2016 that the allegation was unsubstantiated.
- Mr. James rendered a presentation on the 2016-2017 Budget.
- Awards and recognition were bestowed on Students of the Month as well as Parent of the Month.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Ms. Patricia Arthur suggested that community members take a bus to Trenton to protest the underfunding of the District Budget by the State.
- Gloria Stewart expressed satisfaction with what's happening in the District. She thanked Dr. Howard for her assistance in Public Education and all the help she is rendering in this area. She commended Mr. James for the Budget Presentation.
- Joel Torres expressed concerns with the underfunding by the State. He is willing to join forces to go and protest in Trenton. He said he works on substance abuse cases and would like to conduct a survey in the Orange community. He would also like to partner with the District to bring more resources on Substance Abuse.
- Kevin Cushing expressed concerns that the District will continue to lose experienced teachers, stating that the District should value experience and try to retain experienced teachers.
- Ronald Terry asked what inefficiencies is the District observing at the top and how is the District addressing such inefficiencies? He said if the funding formula is not used by the State, Why is the District not challenging the various mandates from the State?

- Bill Nussbaum, President of Orange Education Association, suggests that the District refocuses areas to cut and look into areas of Administration. He stated that Administrative cost in the District is above State’s average.

BOARD RESOLUTIONS

A16-006 RESOLUTION TO AWARD THE EMERGENCY PROPOSAL CONTRACT FOR THE BOILER REPLACEMENT AT CENTRAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

WHEREAS, the Orange Board of Education, through its Business Office, sought proposals for a Boiler Replacement at Central Elementary School and received the following quotes:

C. Dougherty & Co. Inc.	\$54,000.00
Pennetta Industrial Automation LLC	\$89,000.00
Liberty Mechanical Inc.	\$97,895.00

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Orange Board of Education, hereby awards the bid contract for a Boiler Replacement at Central Elementary School, 33 Cleveland Street, Orange NJ, to **C. Dougherty & Co. Inc. of Patterson, NJ** in the amount indicated above.

Moved by Jeffrey Wingfield. Seconded by Paula Desormes.

ROLL CALL: (7) YEA (0) NAY

C16-011 RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE PAYMENT OF BILLS FOR FEBRUARY 2016

WHEREAS, the Orange School District request the payment of the attached detailed bills for February 2016, whose totals are summarized as follows:

<u>FUNDS</u>	<u>CHECKS</u>	<u>BILLS</u>	<u>TOTALS</u>
Fund 11 - General Current Expense	\$66,923.92	\$2,079,812.60	\$2,146,736.52
Fund 12 – Capital Outlay	90,500.00	0.00	90,500.00
Fund 15 – Whole School Reform	96,698.87	1,145,921.35	1,242,620.22
Fund 20 – Special Revenue Funds	89,535.99	889,444.07	978,980.06
Fund 50 – Enterprise Fund	556,118.16	0.00	556,118.16
Grand Total	\$899,776.94	\$4,115,178.02	\$5,014,954.96

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Orange Board of Education hereby approves the total payment of district bills in the amount of **\$5,014,954.96**

Moved by Jeffrey Wingfield. Seconded by Paula Desormes.

ROLL CALL: (7) YEA (0) NAY

**C16-012 RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT THE BOARD SECRETARY'S
REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2016**

WHEREAS, the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, hereby submits the Board Secretary's Financial Report for the month of January 2016.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Orange Board of Education, after review of such report, hereby accepts the January 2016 Board Secretary's Financial Report.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this report be on file in the Business Office

Moved by Jeffrey Wingfield. Seconded by Paula Desormes.

ROLL CALL: (7) YEA (0) NAY

**C16-013 RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT THE TREASURER OF SCHOOL
FUNDS REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2016**

WHEREAS, under statute regulations the Treasurer of School Funds is required to reconcile bank accounts and the Board Secretary Report and said reports have been submitted.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Orange Board of Education hereby accepts the Treasurer of School Funds Report for the month of January 2016.

Moved by Jeffrey Wingfield. Seconded by Paula Desormes.

ROLL CALL: (7) YEA (0) NAY

**C16-014 RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE BOARD OF EDUCATION'S
MONTHLY CERTIFICATION OF BUDGETARY MAJOR
ACCOUNT/FUND STATUS FOR
JANUARY 2016**

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:20-2.3(3), we (the Board) certify that as of December 2015, after review of the Board Secretary's Financial Report (appropriate sections) and upon consultation with appropriate Official, to the best of our knowledge, no major account of funds has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6:20-1.13(b) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Orange Board of Education, hereby approves its Monthly Certification of Budgetary Major Account/Fund Status, as indicated above.

Moved by Jeffrey Wingfield. Seconded by Paula Desormes.

ROLL CALL: (7) YEA (0) NAY ✓

**C16-015 RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS
(FUND 11) FOR THE 2015-2016 SCHOOL YEAR**

WHEREAS, the Orange School District requires budgetary transfers to meet the encumbrances for the 2015-2016 school year, as per the attached.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Orange Board of Education hereby approves the Transfer of Funds.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the 2015-2016 budget be adjusted accordingly.

Moved by Jeffrey Wingfield. Seconded by Paula Desormes.

ROLL CALL: (7) YEA (0) NAY

**C16-016 RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE SUBMISSION OF ORANGE
PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT'S PROPOSED BUDGET FOR
THE 2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR**

WHEREAS, the Board of Education developed the Proposed 2016-2017 School Year Budget for the operations of the public school district, as follows:

General Current Expense Fund 11	\$37,074,622
Capital Outlay Fund 12	1,164,145
Special Schools Fund 13	53,000
Transfer of Funds to Charter Schools	2,632,467
General Fund (SBB) Whole School Reform Fund 15	<u>48,491,861</u>
Total General Funds	89,416,095
Special Revenue	<u>15,044,905</u>
TOTAL Proposed 2016-2017 BUDGET	<u>\$103,335,448</u>

WHEREAS, the 2016-2017 Annual School Budget contains a request of local tax levy of \$11,926,140.00 operating expenditures, which represents an increase of (2%) \$233,845.00 over the 2015-2016 school year and local municipal bonding of \$0 for instructional equipment and capital projects.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Orange Board of Education hereby approves the submission of the proposed budget for 2016-2017 school year in the above stated amounts and that the budget be transmitted to the Essex County Superintendent's Office and the State Department of Education.

Moved by Jeffrey Wingfield. Seconded by Paula Desormes.

ROLL CALL: (7) YEA (0) NAY

**D16-004 RESOLUTION FOR THE ORANGE BOARD OF EDUCATION
TO ACCEPT THE REVISED 21st CENTURY LEARNING
CENTER GRANT**

WHEREAS, the NJDOE submitted a Notice of Grant opportunity and the Orange School District submitted a grant; and,

WHEREAS, the NJDOE accepted to fund the grant for \$2,749,440 (two million, seven hundred forty-nine thousand, four hundred forty-two dollars) over 5 years,

and at \$549,888 (five hundred forty-nine thousand, eight hundred, eighty-eight dollars) annually.

WHEREAS, the grant provides funding for out of school hours programming for Rosa Parks Community School, Oakwood Community School, Park Avenue and Heywood Avenue.

WHEREAS, the Orange Board of Education is the lead agency for this grant.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, for the Orange Board of Education to accept the revised 21st Century Learning Center Grant.

Moved by Jeffrey Wingfield. Seconded by Abdul-Shabazz Ashanti.

ROLL CALL: (7) YEA (0) NAY

E16-004 RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE REQUEST OF THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP, DIVISION OF RECREATION, TO UTILIZE BELL STADIUM TO HOST THEIR TRACK & FIELD AND FLAG FOOTBALL PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the City of Orange Township, Division of Recreation is requesting to utilize the following:

BELL STADIUM

Track & Field and Flag Football Program

April 5, 2016 – June 19, 2016

(Monday – Thursday & Saturdays TBD) Track and Field

5:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

May 1, 2016 - June 19, 2016

(Sundays) Flag Football

9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

June 11 & 18, 2016 - Track Championships

8:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Orange Board of Education, hereby approves the request of the City of Orange Township, Division of Recreation, as indicated above and with the condition that all Board of Education events take precedence over the City of Orange Township, Division of Recreation's usage and pending the signing of the Request to Use Facilities form.

Moved by Jeffrey Wingfield. Seconded by Abdul-Shabazz Ashanti.

ROLL CALL: (7) YEA (0) NAY

E16-005 RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE REQUEST OF THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP, DIVISION OF RECREATION, TO UTILIZE ORANGE HIGH SCHOOL GYM TO HOST THEIR ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP GAME AND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CHEERING COMPETITION

WHEREAS, the City of Orange Township, Division of Recreation is requesting to utilize the following:

ORANGE HIGH SCHOOL GYM

Elementary Schools Basketball Championship Game And Elementary School Cheering Competition

Saturday April 9, 2016

10:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Saturday April, 16, 2016 (Snow Day)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Orange Board of Education, hereby approves the request of the City of Orange Township, Division of Recreation, as indicated above and with the condition that all Board of Education events take precedence over the City of Orange Township, Division of Recreation's usage and pending the signing of the Request to Use Facilities form.

Moved by Jeffrey Wingfield. Seconded by Abdul-Shabazz Ashanti.

ROLL CALL: (7) YEA (0) NAY

E16-006 RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE REQUEST OF THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP, CITY COUNCIL, TO UTILIZE LINCOLN AVENUE SCHOOL AUDITORIUM TO HOST THEIR PUBLIC FORUM

WHEREAS, the City of Orange Township, City Council is requesting to utilize the following:

LINCOLN AVENUE SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

Public Forum

Monday, March 14, 2016

6:30 p.m.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Orange Board of Education, hereby approves the request of the City of Orange Township, City Council, as indicated above and with the condition that all Board of Education events take precedence over the City of Orange Township, Office of the Municipal Clerk's usage and pending the signing of the Request to Use Facilities form.

Moved by Jeffrey Wingfield. Seconded by Abdul-Shabazz Ashanti.

ROLL CALL: (7) YEA (0) NAY

E16-007 RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE REQUEST OF THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP, DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION, TO UTILIZE OAKWOOD AVENUE SCHOOL AUDITORIUM TO HOST THEIR COMMUNITY MEETING

WHEREAS, the City of Orange Township, Department of Administration is requesting to utilize the following:

OAKWOOD AVENUE SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

Community Meeting

Thursday, March 10, 2016

6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Orange Board of Education, hereby approves the request of the City of Orange Township, Department of Administration, as indicated above and with the condition that all Board of Education events take precedence over the City of Orange Township, Office of the Municipal Clerk's usage and pending the signing of the Request to Use Facilities form.

Moved by Jeffrey Wingfield. Seconded by Abdul-Shabazz Ashanti.
ROLL CALL: (7) YEA (0) NAY

E16-008 RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE REQUEST OF MAJOR LEAGUE ULTIMATE TO UTILIZE BELL STADIUM TO HOST THEIR PROFESSIONAL FRISBEE LEAGUE

WHEREAS, the Major League Ultimate Company is requesting to utilize the following:

BELL STADIUM
Ultimate Frisbee League
April 9 & 16, 2016
May 1 & 7, 2016
June 5, 2016
12:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Orange Board of Education hereby approves the request of Major League Ultimate, as indicated above, pending the signing and return of the Hold Harmless Agreement, proof of insurance coverage, completion of the Request to Use Facilities form and payment of service fees (custodial & security) in the amount of \$5,655.76

Moved by Jeffrey Wingfield. Seconded by Abdul-Shabazz Ashanti.
ROLL CALL: (7) YEA (0) NAY

E16-009 RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE REQUEST OF THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP, DIVISION OF RECREATION, TO UTILIZE OPA GYM TO HOST THEIR GIRLS ONLY BASKETBALL CLINIC

WHEREAS, the City of Orange Township, Division of Recreation is requesting to utilize the following:

OPA GYM
Girls only Basketball Clinic
Saturdays
April 23 & 30, 2016
May 7 & 14, 2016
10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Orange Board of Education, hereby approves the request of the City of Orange Township, Division of Recreation, as indicated above and with the condition that all Board of Education events take precedence over the City of Orange Township, Division of Recreation's usage and pending the signing of the Request to Use Facilities form.

Moved by Jeffrey Wingfield. Seconded by Abdul-Shabazz Ashanti.
ROLL CALL: (7) YEA (0) NAY

E16-010 RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE REQUEST OF COUNCILWOMAN JAMIE SUMMERS-JOHNSON, TO UTILIZE HEYWOOD AVENUE SCHOOL AUDITORIUM TO HOST WARD MEETINGS

WHEREAS, Councilwoman Jamie Summers-Johnson is requesting to utilize the following:

HEYWOOD AVENUE SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

Ward Meetings

March 30, 2016

April 27, 2016

May 11, 2016

June 1, 2016

6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Orange Board of Education, hereby approves the request of the City of Orange Township, City Council, as indicated above and with the condition that all Board of Education events take precedence over the City of Orange Township, Office of the Municipal Clerk's usage and pending the signing of the Request to Use Facilities form.

Moved by Jeffrey Wingfield. Seconded by Abdul-Shabazz Ashanti.

ROLL CALL: (7) YEA (0) NAY

F16-007 RESOLUTION TO APPROVE DISTRICT-WIDE FIELD TRIPS

WHEREAS, the Orange Board of Education seeks to expand educational opportunities by providing alternative non-traditional experiences.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Orange Board Of Education approves the Workshops/Conferences as per attached summary.

Moved by Jeffrey Wingfield. Seconded by Abdul-Shabazz Ashanti.

ROLL CALL: (7) YEA (0) NAY

F16-008 RESOLUTION TO APPROVE DISTRICT-WIDE WORKSHOPS/CONFERENCES

WHEREAS, the Orange Board of Education seeks to expand educational opportunities by providing alternative non-traditional experiences.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Orange Board Of Education approves the Field Trips as per attached summary.

Moved by Jeffrey Wingfield. Seconded by Abdul-Shabazz Ashanti.

ROLL CALL: (7) YEA (0) NAY

F16-009 RESOLUTION TO ADOPT VARIOUS STATE MANDATED, DISTRICT NEW AND REVISED POLICIES (SECOND READING)

WHEREAS, the Orange Board of Education is required by the State of New Jersey, Department of Education, to adopt and implement for all Public Schools within the district the following new and revised policies:

- P 3322 Staff Member's Use of Personal Cellular Telephones/Other Communication Devices **(Revised)**
- P 4322 Staff Member's Use of Personal Cellular Telephones/Other Communication Devices **(Revised)**
- P & R 5330 Administration of Medication (M) **(Revised)**
- P 5339 Screening for Dyslexia (M) **(New)**
- P 5615 Suspected Gang Activity **(Revised)**
- P 5756 Transgender Students **(Revised)**
- P 8540 School Nutrition Programs **(Revised)**
- P 8540 Free and Reduced Rate Meals **(Abolished)**
- P 8550 Outstanding Food Service Charges **(New)**
- P 8820 Opening Exercises/Ceremonies **(Revised)**
- P & R 1240 Evaluation of Superintendent (M) **(Revised)**
- P & R 3221 Evaluation of Teachers (M) **(Revised)**
- P & R 3222 Evaluation of Teaching Staff Members, Excluding Teachers and Administrators (M) **(Revised)**
- P & R 3223 Evaluation of Administrators, Excluding Principals, Vice Principals, and Assistant Principals (M) **(Revised)**
- P & R 3224 Evaluation of Principals, Vice Principals, and Assistant Principals (M) **(Revised)**
- P 3431.1 Family Leave (M) **(Revised)**
- P 4431.1 Family Leave (M) **(Revised)**
- P 5337 Service Animals **(New)**
- P 5516 Use of Electronic Communication and Recording Devices (ECRD) (M) **(Revised)**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Orange Board of Education approves the above mentioned new and revised policies for the Orange Public School District (Second Reading)

Moved by Jeffrey Wingfield. Seconded by Abdul-Shabazz Ashanti.

ROLL CALL: (7) YEA (0) NAY

F16-010 RESOLUTION TO UPDATE ORANGE SCHOOL DISTRICT COMPREHENSIVE EQUITY PLAN FOR ACADEMIC YEARS 2016-17, 2017-18 AND 2018-19

WHEREAS, the Orange School District is required to implement a New Jersey Department of Education Comprehensive Equity Plan (CEP); and

WHEREAS, the CEP is designed to eliminate discrimination according to race, age, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender, religion, disability, socio-economic status, pregnancy or parenthood; and

WHEREAS, the CEP will document and describe the responsibility of the Board of Education, Staff Development and Training, Equality and Equity in Curriculums, Equality and Equity in Student's Access, Equality and Equity in Guidance Programs and Services, and Employment Practices; and

WHEREAS, the CEP is required to comply with N.J.A.C.6A:7-1.4; and

WHEREAS, the current CEP requires revisions to reflect changes in personnel on the District's Affirmative Action Team, changes in the members on the New Jersey's State Board of Education as well as to update the CEP to comply with the New Jersey Department of Education's Guidelines.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the City of Orange Township; hereby approves Orange School District Comprehensive Equity Plan for Academic Years 2016-2017, 2017-18, 2018-19

Moved by Jeffrey Wingfield. Seconded by Abdul-Shabazz Ashanti.
ROLL CALL: (7) YEA (0) NAY

F16-011 RESOLUTION TO REQUIRE EMPLOYEE # 3783 TO OBTAIN AN INDEPENDENT MEDICAL EXAMINATION

WHEREAS, the Orange Board Of Education had reviewed the Superintendent's recommendation regarding employee #3783.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED , upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, Employee #3783 shall forthwith submit to a medical examination pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6a:32-6.3 (e-g) and Orange Board Of Education Policy 3161 "Examination for Cause". "Costs for examination(s) made by a physician or institution designated by the board of education shall be borne by the district board of education. If, however the examination is performed by a physician or institution designated by the employee, with the approval of the district board of education, the cost shall be borne by the employee" Title 6A: 32 (g).

The Superintendent shall provide prompt notice of this action, and the reason therefore to be submitted to the employee.

Moved by Jeffrey Wingfield. Seconded by Abdul-Shabazz Ashanti.
ROLL CALL: (7) YEA (0) NAY

G16-010 RESOLUTION TO CERTIFY THE FINDINGS OF THE NJ OFFICE OF FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY AND COMPLIANCE FINDINGS OF THE 2012 ALLEGED NJ ASK 6 SECURITY BREACH-ORANGE PUBLIC SCHOOLS, LINCOLN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL – OFAC CASE INV-090-12 AT A PUBLIC MEETING

WHEREAS, the Orange Public Schools self-reported an alleged breach to the Office of Assessment (OA) during the administration of the NJ ASK 6 Spring 2012 at Lincoln Avenue School; and,

WHEREAS, the OA contacted the Essex County Office of Education, and a representative conducted a preliminary investigation of the alleged test breach in May 2012. Subsequent to the preliminary investigation, a Corrective Action Plan (CAP) was developed in June 2012; and,

WHEREAS, the county office reviewed the preliminary investigation and subsequently referred the case to the Office of Fiscal Accountability and Compliance (OFAC) for further investigation; and,

WHEREAS, the OFAC reviews the county's preliminary investigation and subsequently collected statements, conducted staff and student interviews and reviewed relevant documents; and,

WHEREAS, the OFAC submitted a report to the district concluding, "Based upon witnesses' accounts and a review of pertinent documentation, the investigators determined the allegations against [Employee #1002] were unsubstantiated." File on case INV-090-12 was closed; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C 6A:23A-5.6, the Orange Board of Education is required to publicly review and discuss the findings in this report at a public board meeting no later than 30 days after receipt of the report.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Orange Board of Education approves the RESOLUTION TO CERTIFY THE FINDINGS OF THE NJ OFFICE OF FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY AND COMPLIANCE FINDINGS OF THE 2012 ALLEGED NJ ASK 6 SECURITY BREACH-ORANGE PUBLIC SCHOOLS, LINCOLN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL – OFAC CASE INV-090-12 AT A PUBLIC MEETING.

Moved by Jeffrey Wingfield. Seconded by Abdul-Shabazz Ashanti.
ROLL CALL: (7) YEA (0) NAY

G16-011 RESOLUTION TO APPROVE JEFFERY WINGFIELD SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER TO ATTEND THE 2016 NATIONAL SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION (NSBA) ANNUAL CONFERENCE AND EXPOSITION IN BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

WHEREAS, the Orange Board of Education is required pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:11-12 to adopt policy and approve travel expenditures by district employees and board members using local, State, or Federal funds to ensure that travel is educationally necessary and fiscally prudent; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that the training programs, seminars, conventions and conferences sponsored by the National School Boards Association (NSBA) and set forth in the attached schedule are directly related to and within the scope of the listed Board Member's current responsibilities, and/or any applicable professional development plans; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that participation in the NSBA training programs, and seminars, conventions and conferences requires school district travel expenditures and that this travel is critical to the administrative and/or instructional

needs of the district and/or furthers the efficient operation of the district, and/or will help improve Board Member's skills and knowledge related to district operations; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that the school district travel expenditures to NSBA training programs, seminars, conventions and conferences are in compliances with the State travel guidelines as established by the Department of the Treasury and within the guidelines established by the federal Office of Management and Budget, except as superseded by any conflicting provision of Title 18A of the New Jersey Statutes; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds that a mileage reimbursement rate equal to the applicable federal Internal Revenue Service mileage reimbursement rate is a reasonable rate; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that participation the NSBA training programs, seminars, conventions and conferences are in compliance with the district policy on travel.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board hereby approves the attendance of Jeffery Wingfield, School Board Member, to attend the 2016 National School Boards Association's Annual Conference And Exposition In Boston, Massachusetts, April 9-11, 2016, and the costs of attendance including all registration fees, hotel fees and statutorily authorized travel expenditures, provided that such expenditures are within the annual maximum travel expenditure amount.

BE, IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board authorizes, as required by statute, attendance at the NSBA training programs, seminars, conventions and conferences in the attached schedule.

Moved by Jeffrey Wingfield. Seconded by Jarreau Isreal.

ROLL CALL: (6) YEA (0) NAY (1) ABSTAIN

G16-012 RESOLUTION TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THE ORANGE BOARD OF EDUCATION DOES NOT REQUIRE ST. JOESPH'S SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND TO CHARGE STUDENTS FOR REDUCED AND/OR PAID MEALS FOR THE 2016-2017 SCHOOL

WHEREAS, St. Joseph's School for the Blind is not eligible to receive funding under the Child Nutrition Program; and,

WHEREAS, the Orange Board of Education Special Services has contracted to send to St. Joseph's School for the Blind certain students with disabilities who reside in the District; and,

WHEREAS, St. Joseph's School for the Blind has not applied for or received funding from the Child Nutrition Program as administered by the New Jersey Department of Agriculture.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that St. Joseph's School for the Blind shall not charge students for paid and reduced meals for the 2016-2017 school year in accordance with the income eligibility criteria established by the Child Nutrition Program as administered by the New Jersey Department of Agriculture

Moved by Jeffrey Wingfield. Seconded by Jarreau Isreal.

ROLL CALL: (7) YEA (0) NAY

G16-013 RESOLUTION TO APPROVE E.LYDELL CARTER, SCHOOL BOARD VICE-PRESIDENT, TO ATTEND THE 2016 NATIONAL SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION (NSBA) ANNUAL CONFERENCE AND EXPOSITION IN BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

WHEREAS, the Orange Board of Education is required pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:11-12 to adopt policy and approve travel expenditures by district employees and board members using local, State, or Federal funds to ensure that travel is educationally necessary and fiscally prudent; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that the training programs, seminars, conventions and conferences sponsored by the National School Boards Association (NSBA) and set forth in the attached schedule are directly related to and within the scope of the listed Board Member's current responsibilities, and/or any applicable professional development plans; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that participation in the NSBA training programs, and seminars, conventions and conferences requires school district travel expenditures and that this travel is critical to the administrative and/or instructional needs of the district and/or furthers the efficient operation of the district, and/or will help improve Board Member's skills and knowledge related to district operations; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that the school district travel expenditures to NSBA training programs, seminars, conventions and conferences are in compliance with the State travel guidelines as established by the Department of the Treasury and within the guidelines established by the federal Office of Management and Budget, except as superseded by any conflicting provision of Title 18A of the New Jersey Statutes; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds that a mileage reimbursement rate equal to the applicable federal Internal Revenue Service mileage reimbursement rate is a reasonable rate; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that participation the NSBA training programs, seminars, conventions and conferences are in compliance with the district policy on travel.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board hereby approves the attendance of E. Lydell Carter, School Board Vice-President, to attend the 2016 National School Boards Association's Annual Conference And Exposition In Boston, Massachusetts, April 9-11, 2016, and the costs of attendance including all registration fees, hotel fees and statutorily authorized travel expenditures, provided that such expenditures are within the annual maximum travel expenditure amount.

BE, IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board authorizes, as required by statute, attendance at the NSBA training programs, seminars, conventions and conferences in the attached schedule.

Moved by Jeffrey Wingfield. Seconded by Jarreau Isreal.

ROLL CALL: (6) YEA (0) NAY (1) ABSTAIN

G16-014 RESOLUTION TO REAFFIRM A MAXIMUM TRAVEL EXPENDITURE AMOUNT FOR THE 2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR

WHEREAS, the State Department of Education through NJAC 6A:23A-7.3 requires that district board of education should annually approve by a resolution the district maximum travel expenditure amount for the budget year; and

WHEREAS, the district is in the process of developing its 2016-2017 school budget and has determined to maintain its annual maximum travel expenditure per employee or Board members at \$1,500 for regular business and \$150 for cost of registration, for the prior year, pre-budget year and projected for the budget year; and

WHEREAS the \$1,500 annual expenditure also applies to conference, workshop, or regularly scheduled in-state county meetings and Department of Education sponsored or association sponsored events which includes regularly scheduled in-state professional development activities for which the registration fee does not exceed \$150 per employee or Board member; and

WHEREAS, the annual maximum travel expenditure is applicable to travel expenditures supported by Federal, State and local funds; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Orange Board of Education approves and reaffirm its annual maximum travel expenditure amount for the budget year 2016-2017 as indicated in the Board policy # 6471. And as required by NJAC 6A:23A-7.3

Moved by Jeffrey Wingfield. Seconded by Jarreau Isreal.

ROLL CALL: (7) YEA (0) NAY

G16-015 RESOLUTION TO APPROVE CRISTINA MATEO, SCHOOL BOARD PRESIDENT, TO ATTEND THE 2016 NATIONAL SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION (NSBA) ANNUAL CONFERENCE AND EXPOSITION IN BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

WHEREAS, the Orange Board of Education is required pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:11-12 to adopt policy and approve travel expenditures by district employees and board members using local, State, or Federal funds to ensure that travel is educationally necessary and fiscally prudent; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that the training programs, seminars, conventions and conferences sponsored by the National School Boards Association (NSBA) and set forth in the attached schedule are directly related to and within the scope of the listed Board Member's current responsibilities, and/or any applicable professional development plans; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that participation in the NSBA training programs, and seminars, conventions and conferences requires school district travel expenditures and that this travel is critical to the administrative and/or instructional needs of the district and/or furthers the efficient operation of the district, and/or will help improve Board Member's skills and knowledge related to district operations; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that the school district travel expenditures to NSBA training programs, seminars, conventions and conferences are in compliance with the State travel guidelines as established by the Department of the Treasury and within the guidelines established by the federal Office of Management and Budget, except as superseded by any conflicting provision of Title 18A of the New Jersey Statutes; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds that a mileage reimbursement rate equal to the applicable federal Internal Revenue Service mileage reimbursement rate is a reasonable rate; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that participation in the NSBA training programs, seminars, conventions and conferences are in compliance with the district policy on travel.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board hereby approves the attendance of Cristina Mateo, School Board President, to attend the 2016 National School Boards Association's Annual Conference And Exposition In Boston, Massachusetts, April 9-11, 2016, and the costs of attendance including all registration fees, hotel fees and statutorily authorized travel expenditures, provided that such expenditures are within the annual maximum travel expenditure amount.

BE, IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board authorizes, as required by statute, attendance at the NSBA training programs, seminars, conventions and conferences in the attached schedule.

Moved by Jeffrey Wingfield. Seconded by Jarreau Isreal.

ROLL CALL: (6) YEA (0) NAY (1) ABSTAIN

H. Case Numbers

Home Instruction Cases

#'s 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750

Moved by Jeffrey Wingfield. Seconded by Abdul-Shabazz Ashanti.

ROLL CALL: (7) YEA (0)NAY

Out-of-District Placement Cases

#'s 307731, 308084, 308205

Moved by Jeffrey Wingfield. Seconded by Paula Desormes.

ROLL CALL: (7) YEA (0)NAY

H.I.B Cases

Substantiated #s PAS020916001, LAS022616001, FSS020316001

Moved by Jeffrey Wingfield. Seconded by Paula Desormes.

ROLL CALL: (7) YEA (0)NAY

HUMAN RESOURCE AGENDA

- Leaves of Absences
- Separations: Retirement/Resignation/Suspensions
- Appointments
- Stipends
- Reassignment
- Other Personnel Actions
- For the Records

Moved by Jeffrey Wingfield. Seconded by Paula Desormes.

ROLL CALL: (7) YEA (0)NAY

DISTRICT MEETINGS

- Next scheduled meetings are as follows:

Public

- Facilities Committee Meeting – Monday, April 4, 2016 at 2:30 p.m., 451 Lincoln Avenue.
- Next Public Board Meeting – Tuesday, April 5, 2016 at 7:30 p.m., Orange Preparatory Academy, 400 Central Avenue.
- Curriculum Committee Meeting – Tuesday, March 29, 2016 at 5:00 p.m., 451 Lincoln Avenue

Closed

- Human Resource Committee Meeting – Monday, April 4, 2016 at 4:00 p.m.

CORRESPONDENCES

COMMITTEE REPORTS

BOARD COMMENTS

CORRESPONDENCES

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 March 8, 2016** Closed Session at 5:30 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.

Motion to adjourn Public Session.
Moved by Jeffrey Wingfield. Seconded by Paula Desormes.
ROLL CALL: (7) YEA (0)NAY

APPROVAL DATE: April 5, 2016

ATTESTED TO BY: 

**School Business Administrator/
Board Secretary**