

**NUTLEY BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING
MARCH 21, 2005**

The Nutley Board of Education held a Special Meeting on Monday, March 21, 2005 in the Board Conference Room, 375 Bloomfield Avenue, Nutley, NJ 07110.

President Alamo opened the meeting at 6:30 PM.

**CALL TO
ORDER**

MEETING NOTICE

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President Alamo stated that in compliance with Chapter 231, Public Law 1975 entitled Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting had been provided as specified in the Act. Proper notice of this Special Meeting was provided on March 17, 2005. Said notice was posted at the entrance of the Board of Education offices, mailed to The Nutley Sun, The Star Ledger, The North Jersey Herald & News and The Nutley Journal and mailed to the Nutley Township Clerk.

This is an official meeting.

FLAG SALUTE

**FLAG
SALUTE**

Trustee Parisi led the assembly in the flag salute.

ROLL CALL

**ROLL
CALL**

Present: Mr. John Cafone
Mr. Gerard Del Tufo
Dr. Gerard M. Parisi
Mr. Alfred R. Restaino, Jr.
Mrs. Maria Alamo

Absent: Dr. Philip T. Casale (Arrived 6:38 PM)
Mr. Sal Olivo (Arrived 6:45 PM)
Mr. Kenneth J. Reilly
Mr. James Viola

Also Present: Mr. Joseph Zarra, Superintendent of Schools
Dr. James Vivinetto, Assistant Superintendent
Mr. Dennis M. Oblack, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Discussion of Elementary School Facility Needs:

Ms. Andrea Kahn from McManimon & Scotland discussed the various ways to structure proposed questions to voters. She also discussed the timing of the bond sales.

A discussion and questions from the trustees ensued.

Mr. Lee Heckendorn from DCM Architecture, Inc. explained the scope of work to be considered for a future referendum. He explained that Washington School is in most need of renovations due to the condition of the stucco and heating systems and Spring Garden is next due to the similar facade situation as was experienced at Lincoln. He also spoke about the cost inflation due to the volume of the school construction. He stated that the construction in the original proposal was \$160/ sq. ft. vs. the current amount of \$220/sq. ft.

Mr. Kevin Coll of CVM Engineers discussed the structural conditions of the schools.

Mr. Robert Benson of DCM Architecture, Inc. discussed the heating systems in the buildings from the standpoint of age, condition and efficiency.

A discussion and questions from the trustees ensued.

HEARING OF CITIZENS (Resolutions Only)

None

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OF
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RESOLUTIONS

Trustee Restaino explained the additional changes made to the budget since it was tentatively approved on March 7, 2005. A discussion followed.

Trustee Casale commended Trustee Restaino, the Budget Committee and the Administrators for their hard work on a difficult task.

**1. AMENDMENT OF RESOLUTION – APPROVAL OF
2005-06 TENTATIVE BUDGET**

**AMEND APPROVE
2005-06 TENTATIVE
BUDGET**

Trustee Restaino moved, and Trustee Del Tufo seconded, the following resolution. Upon being put to a roll call vote the resolution was unanimously approved.

WHEREAS the Board of Education of the Township of Nutley desires to amend the tentative budget for the 2005-06 school year previously adopted on March 7, 2005,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the amending of its tentative budget resolution for the 2005-06 school year as follows:

General Fund	\$ 45,602,436
Special Revenue Fund	1,221,270
Debt Service Fund	<u>1,322,874</u>
Total Budget	\$ 48,146,580

Of which the following amount shall be raised by local tax levy:

General Fund Tax Levy	\$ 38,602,126
Debt Service Tax Levy	<u>1,303,973</u>
Total Tax Levy	\$ 39,906,099

and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary be authorized to submit this budget to the County Superintendent for approval, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board also requests approval of the statutory Spending Growth Limitation Adjustments as follows:

Special Education Costs	\$ 225,955
Use of Banked SGLA	<u>216,361</u>
Total	\$ 442,316

and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary be authorized to publish the 2005-06 budget in The Nutley Sun.

Trustee Cafone informed the Board that the second question would present a learning experience as students learn to do research in automated libraries.

Trustee Parisi stated that this allows us to move in the direction we want to go from a technology standpoint.

**2. APPROVAL OF SEPARATE QUESTION PROPOSAL
TO VOTERS**

**APPROVE
SEPARATE BUDGET
QUESTION**

Trustee Cafone moved, and Trustee Casale seconded, the following resolution. Upon being put to a roll call vote the resolution was unanimously approved.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Township of Nutley to approve a separate question to be presented to the voters as follows:

REVOLVED, that there should be raised an additional \$262,890 for General Funds in the same school year, 2005-2006. These taxes will be used exclusively for technology upgrades in all seven district schools. The additional levy will provide funds for new computers, software and peripheral equipment for the Library/Media Center in each school and for one Business Department computer lab in the high school. In addition, funding will be provided for new printers for the high school labs, photography and art classrooms; new audio-visual equipment and electronic balances for the high school science labs; and equipment to upgrade the district's core system infrastructure. The taxes, if raised, will be used exclusively for these purposes. These proposed additional expenditures are in addition to those necessary to achieve the Core Curriculum Content Standards.

**3. PREPARATION OF BID SPECIFICATIONS AND
PROJECT MONITORING SERVICES FOR ASBESTOS
REMOVAL**

**BID SPECS
ASBESTOS
REMOVAL**

Trustee Cafone moved, and Trustee Casale seconded, the following resolution:

WHEREAS there exists a need for preparation of bid specifications and project monitoring services for asbestos removal for the Franklin Middle School addition and renovation project, and

WHEREAS the firm of Westchester Environmental, LLC of West Chester, PA is qualified and capable of performing these services, and

WHEREAS Westchester Environmental, LLC has submitted a proposal acceptable to the Board for these services, and

WHEREAS N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5a provides for the award of contracts for this type of professional service without competitive bidding.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Township of Nutley approves Westchester Environmental, LLC Proposal No. WE05-04R dated March 15, 2005 as per the recommendation of architect Lee Heckendorn of DCM Architecture, Inc. and Alan Ianuzzi of Tri-Tech Engineering, Construction Manager.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that fees and expenses for these services will not exceed \$3,800 for preparation of bid specifications and related work, and \$29,684 for asbestos removal monitoring services, without the prior written approval of the Business Administrator.

After a discussion regarding this resolution it was decided by the Board to amend this resolution.

Trustee Casale moved, and Trustee Parisi seconded, the following changes to amended this resolution:

Paragraph One – Take out the words: and project monitoring services.

Paragraph Five – Add the words: for preparation of bid specifications.

Paragraph Six – Take out the words: and \$29,684 for asbestos removal monitoring services, without the prior written approval of the Business Administrator.

Upon being put to a roll call vote it was unanimously agreed to amend this resolution.

PREPARATION OF BID SPECIFICATIONS AND PROJECT MONITORING SERVICES FOR ASBESTOS REMOVAL

Trustee Del Tufo moved, and Trustee Casale seconded, the following resolution. Upon being put to a roll call vote the resolution was unanimously approved.

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**ADJOURN
EXECUTIVE
SESSION**

MOTION TO ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 9:00 PM Trustee Casale moved and Trustee Parisi seconded the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board of Education will be discussing matters exempt from public discussion pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education adjourn to closed executive session at this time to discuss personnel, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the results of the discussions will be made public by inclusion on the agenda of a subsequent meeting of the Board of Education or when the reasons for discussing such matters in closed session no longer exist.

The motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis M. Oblack
Board Secretary