

**NUTLEY BOARD OF EDUCATION
OPEN PUBLIC MEETING
SEPTEMBER 13, 2010**

The Nutley Board of Education held a Public Meeting on Monday, September 13, 2010 in the JHWMS Choir Room located at 325 Franklin Avenue, Nutley, NJ.

President Reilly opened the meeting at 6:30 PM.

FLAG SALUTE

President Reilly led the assembly in the flag salute.

MEETING NOTICE

President Reilly 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 Open Public Meeting was provided in the notice of April 28, 2010. Said notice was posted at the entrance of the Board of Education offices, mailed to The Star Ledger, The North Jersey Herald & News, The Nutley Journal, The Nutley Sun, Township Clerk advertised in The Nutley Sun on May 6, 2010 and posted on the district website.

This is an official meeting.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mr. James Kuchta
Mr. Charles Kucinski
Mr. Vincent Moscaritola
Mrs. Deborah J. Russo
Mr. Steven Rogers
Mr. Walter Sautter
Mr. Kenneth Reilly

Absent: Dr. Robert Reid
Mr. Thomas J. Sposato

Also Present: Mr. Joseph Zarra, Superintendent of Schools
Mrs. Mariana Francioso, Assistant Superintendent of Schools
Mrs. Karen A. Yeamans, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Zarra spoke about the school openings.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Facilities - President Reilly said that he visited the schools and was not happy with the current conditions at Radcliffe and Spring Garden Schools. He assured the public that work will continue to be done under safe conditions.

MOTION TO ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 6:40 PM President Reilly moved and Trustee Kucinski 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 recess to Closed Executive Session at this time to discuss the following:

Legal & Personnel Issues

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 approved by voice vote.

RECONVENE MEETING

At 8:40 PM Trustee Kuchta moved, Trustee Russo seconded, and the Board unanimously approved by voice to reconvene the meeting.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mr. James Kuchta
Mr. Vincent Moscaritola
Mrs. Deborah J. Russo
Mr. Steven Rogers
Mr. Walter Sautter
Mr. Kenneth Reilly

Absent: Mr. Charles Kucinski (Arrived 8:43 PM)
Dr. Robert Reid
Mr. Thomas J. Sposato

Also Present: Mr. Joseph Zarra, Superintendent of Schools
Mrs. Mariana Francioso, Assistant Superintendent of Schools
Mrs. Karen A. Yeamans, Business Administrator/Board Secretary
Mr. Thomas Cosma, Board Construction Attorney

Trustee Kucinski returned at 8:43 PM.

Mr. Cosma, Board Construction Attorney, gave an overview on the Appellate Division decision on the Tri-Tech lawsuit.

HEARING OF CITIZENS (Resolutions Only)

Resident Terry Quirk, representative for the Nutley Parent Advocacy Network (NPAN), asked if the course was changed in Superintendent's Resolution 14.

Mr. Zarra responded that the title was the only change.

Resident Mike Russo referred to Superintendent's Resolution 5 and asked why the Board is paying for the crossing guard and not the town. Mr. Zarra said it is a parking lot crossing not a street.

He also inquired about Superintendent's Resolution 7 and asked if the funds were coming from the Extended Day Program or the Board of Education. Mr. Zarra responded that the funds come from the Extended Day Program.

SUPERINTENDENT'S RESOLUTIONS

Trustee Moscaritola moved, Trustee Kucinski seconded, a motion that the Board approves the Board Secretary's Resolutions numbers 1 through 14 as listed below.

Upon a roll call vote Resolutions numbers 1 through 14 were unanimously.

1. RESCIND APPOINTMENT – Professional Staff

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the rescinding of the resolution Professional Staff, approved at the August 23, 2010 Board Meeting appointing Jenna Pavlisko.

2. RESCIND APPOINTMENT – Instructional Substitute Aides

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the rescinding of the Addendum Instructional Substitute Aides approved at the August 31, 2010 Board Meeting appointing Kathleen Pastena.

3. RESCIND Change-in-Training Level

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the rescinding of the Addendum Change-in-Training Level approved at the August 31, 2010 Board Meeting advancing Denia Garcia to M.A.

4. APPOINTMENT – Professional Staff

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the appointment of Miss Angela Irene as teacher for the 2010-11 school year, effective September 14, 2010, at the annual salary of \$23,928, B.A.+15 Step 8 (p/t .5), in accordance with the 2010-11 Teachers' Salary Guide.

5. APPOINTMENT – School Crossing Guard

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the appointment of Maria Liloia as Crossing Guard at the Radcliffe School driveway at the hourly rate of \$15.65, not to exceed 17 ¼ hours per week, for the 2010-2011 school year.

6. APPOINTMENTS – Substitute School Aides

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the following substitutes for the 2010-11 school year:

Carol Cullari
Diana Mayer
Joanne Puccio
Donna Signorelli

7. APPROVAL OF STIPEND – BOE Extended Day Program

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves a stipend for Dr. Barry Prystowsky in the amount of \$5,000 as Medical Director of the Extended Day Program for the 2010-11 school year.

8. APPROVAL OF STIPENDS

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the following personnel be paid stipends for the NCLB Grant in the following amounts for school year 2010/2011:

Title III	Ciro Violante	\$2,000
Title IV	Natale Ferrara	\$1,000

9. APPROVAL OF STIPEND – Substitute Caller

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves a stipend for Miss Denise Mazza in the amount of \$2,800 as substitute caller for the high school and special services department for the 2010-11 school year.

10. APPROVAL OF SUBSTITUTE RATES

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the substitute rates for school year 2010/2011 (Schedule A).

11. APPROVAL OF SUMMER HOURS

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves summer hours, June 29, 30, July 7, 8, 9, 13, 15, 22, 27, and August 9, 10, 16, 2010 for Mr. James Kelly at his per diem rate for duplicating, editing, decks/studio maintenance, bulletin board requests and inventory.

12. TRANSFER OF PERSONNEL

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the following transfers:

<u>Name</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Melissa Rosamilia	Lincoln	Radcliffe (Instructional Aide)
Barbara Sarno	Lincoln	Radcliffe (Instructional Aide)
Mary Venable	NHS	JHWMS (Instructional Aide)

13. APPROVAL OF REVISED CAFETERIA SUBSTITUTES

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the following revised cafeteria substitutes for the 2010-2011 school year:

Mary Bellucci	Carmen Geoffroy	Judy Lee Pugliese
Laura Borino	Angela Gil	Lani Restaino
Susan Brandt	Diane Guarino	Mary Ritacco
Linda Cafone	Donna LaCapra	Denise Silva
Norma Cuzzo	Catherine Luzzi	
Lillian Darby	Bette Jean Marzella	
Jo-Ann DeAmarin	Anna Marzulla	
Phyllis DeCilla	Donna Miller	
Elizabeth DeMunno	Maria Musco	
Kimberly Farro	Toni O'Halloran	
Leigh Flynn	Josephine Orlando	
	Angela Palma	

14. APPROVAL OF NEW COURSE

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the following high school course change:

<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Study Skills Course	HSPA Language Arts Literacy Test Preparation Class

BOARD SECRETARY'S RESOLUTIONS

Trustee Sautter moved, Trustee Moscaritola seconded, a motion that the Board approves the Board Secretary's Resolutions numbers 1 through 7 as listed below.

Upon a roll call vote Resolutions numbers 1 through 7 were unanimously approved.

1. ADOPTION OF BYLAW (First Reading)

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education adopts the following Bylaw (first reading) Appendix A.

2. ARRA-IDEA BASIC FY 2009-2011 AMENDMENT APPLICATION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the ARRA-IDEA Basic FY 2009-2011 Amendment Application.

3. APPROVAL OF TRAVEL LIST

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the travel list and all expenses per (Appendix B).

4. APPROVAL OF SCHOOL BASED THERAPY SERVICES AGREEMENT

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the agreement with School Based Therapy Services for occupational therapy services for school year 2010-2011.

5. APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDERS – EXTERIOR FAÇADE REPAIRS AT LINCOLN SCHOOL

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the following change order, on file in the Business Office, for the Exterior Façade Repairs at Lincoln School to Circle-A Construction as per the recommendation of the Board's Engineer and Construction Manager as follows:

Change Order No. 5 – \$ 6,263.00 (Acct #: 30-999-405-450-03-330)
Additional work to address leaks at the front entrance stairs.

6. APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDERS – ADDITIONS AND ALTERATIONS – SPRING GARDEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the following Change Orders, to GPC, Inc., , on file in the Business Office, for the Spring Garden Project as per the recommendation of the Board's Engineer and Construction Manager as follows:

Change Order No. GC-6 – Total Amount - \$4,063.88 (Acct.#30-999-405-450-05-330)
Remove and replace ceilings in toilet rooms.

Change Order No. GC-7 – Total Amount - \$(834.24) (Acct.#30-999-405-450-05-330)
Credit for damage to landscaping.

7. APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER – ADDITIONS AND ALTERATIONS – SPRING GARDEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the following Change Order, on file in the Business Office, to Wojchik Electric, Inc., for the Spring Garden Project as per the recommendation of the Board's Engineer and Construction Manager as follows:

Change Order No. E-5 – Total Amount - \$2,992.65 (Acct.#30-999-405-450-05-330)
Provide new roof top outlets and switch.

**8. APPROVAL OF SCHOOL BASED THERAPY SERVICES AGREEMENT –
Maternity Leave Coverage**

Trustee Kucinski moved, Trustee Kuchta seconded, a motion that the Board approves the following resolution. Upon a roll call vote the following resolution was unanimously approved.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the agreement with School Based Therapy Services for occupational therapy services for maternity leave coverage for Carla Cavallo from September 13, 2010 until January 31, 2011 at \$81.00 per hour.

HEARING OF CITIZENS

Resident Terry Quirk, representative for the Nutley Parent Advocacy Network (NPAN), inquired about the need for additional lunch aides.

Resident Sal Olivo represented a group of residents who want to raise funds to beautify the front of Nutley High School.

Resident Alan Thomas asked if the Board discussed appealing the Tri-Tech court decision.

Resident Mike Russo suggested that the back-to-school supply list be put on the website for each class before school starts. He also asked if the student's emergency cards could be filled in on-line.

Resident Terry Quirk, representative for the Nutley Parent Advocacy Network (NPAN), asked about teachers' putting on-line homework assignments. She also asked if the public could receive notification on the agenda if the Board suspects that Executive Session will take an excessive amount of time.

Resident Dave Schiedel addressed the Board regarding his concerns with Radcliffe School construction issues, equipment and contractors in the building during school hours.

Resident Paula DeBois spoke of the concerns the parents have at Radcliffe School with the construction and construction workers.

Resident Vicky Flynn asked Mr. Cosma legal questions regarding the Tri-Tech case.

Resident Francesca Roselli spoke to the Board about reviewing the kindergarten admission policy.

Resident Neil Henning asked if there was an existing policy regarding kindergarten admission. He stated that if there is a policy, it should be applied across the district. He would like to see communication with parents enhanced.

Resident Alan Thomas asked if the construction counsel is reviewing all potential claims against all parties.

NEW BUSINESS

Trustee Kucinski passed out flyers from the Soccer Booster Club.

Trustee Rogers inquired when the presentation was scheduled for the public safety officer to discuss the Stop, Drop and Go possibility at Radcliffe School with the Board.

Trustee Rogers left the meeting at 9:48 PM.

OLD BUSINESS

Trustee Kuchta inquired about the statute of limitations on pending and future construction matters relative to referendum projects.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:48 PM on a motion by Trustee Kuchta seconded by Trustee Kucinski, and unanimously approved by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen A. Yeamans
Board Secretary