

Board of Education  
Nutley, New Jersey

October 25, 1967

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the Town of Nutley, New Jersey, was held in the Board Room, 149 Chestnut Street, on Wednesday, October 25, 1967, at 8:00 p.m., with Mrs. John Peddieson, Vice President, presiding.

Other members present at roll call were: Mr. Carl A. Ohlson, Mr. Henry Ludwig, Mrs. Thomas E. Jaworek, Mr. Frank V. Tangorra, Mrs. Rollin G. Shaffer and Mr. Frank A. Cocchiola. Absent and excused: Mr. Edward J. Lenihan and Mr. John E. Clayton, Jr. Guests: Mr. Frank Solimo, 29 Briar Lane, Nutley, Mr. Emil Wahl, 82 Ohlson Avenue, Nutley, Mr. Robert Torp, student, 9214 Ridge Blvd., Brooklyn, New York.

#### MINUTES:

Copies of the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on September 27, 1967, being in the hands of each member, reading of same was dispensed. Mr. Tangorra moved that the minutes of the Regular Meeting be accepted, seconded by Mrs. Jaworek, and unanimously approved by the Board.

#### COMMUNICATIONS:

Mr. Zabriskie presented and read the following:

1. A letter from Ronald Cundiff, Custodian at Spring Garden School:

"I am hereby informing you of my resignation as Custodian-Fireman of Spring Garden School and the Nutley Board of Education to become effective as of October 31, 1967.

"I have been attending school for Computer Programming for the past year and I endeavor to seek a future in this field."

2. A letter to Mr. Edward J. Lenihan, from Robert O. Doerr, Chairman, P.S. Fund Raising Committee, Public Service Electric & Gas Company.

"On the morning of October 4, 1967, 1,600 Public Service employees had a very delightful and inspiring experience in our Newark auditorium. At four rallies kicking off our employee campaign to raise money for the United Community Fund of Essex and West Hudson, we heard magnificent music rendered by forty members of the Nutley High School Cadet Band, under the very able leadership of Mr. Lester P. Hrbek, Band Director.

"Other events took place on each of the four programs but the band performance was the "stand-out". This is not only my opinion - this was also the opinion of scores of people who spoke to me personally after attending the rallies. I am very sorry that your previous business commitment could not permit you to be present. I think you missed out on a grand performance.

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"Another thing that impressed many people here in the Terminal Building was the manner in which the boys and girls conducted themselves not only during the programs but during breaks and at lunch. Their behavior was exemplary. As you know, they ate in the employee cafeteria. It was a real pleasure to have them as guests. I know that many employees thoroughly enjoyed their presence.

"Thanks a million for getting the ball rolling on the arrangements to have the band on our property. Working on details with Dr. Ernest J. Ersfeld, Director of Music Education, and having him with us with Mr. Hrbek and the children was for me a rewarding experience. I hope that we can have a repeat performance when another similar occasion arises.

"As I said to Dr. Ersfeld, these boys and girls are a credit to their school, their community, and to the youth of America."

#### SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Mr. Zabriskie presented and read the following:

"All of the new aluminum framed windows have now been installed at the Washington School. Everyone seems to be quite happy with the installation, and I am certain these windows will do much for the morale of the teachers who had found it almost impossible to open the old wooden windows.

"Yantacaw School cabinets, etc. and renovations have been completed. The ten air ventilators which were transferred from the High School to the Yantacaw School have certainly improved the heating and ventilating situation at the school.

"The maintenance staff has been busy replacing broken windows, repairing plumbing breaks, and other items during the past month. The plumbers are now working on the return lines at the Washington School. Evidently there are some leaks down in the lower basement level which must be found and corrected. These are return lines which bring the water back into the boiler. At the present time the leaks have not been located, but I am sure they will be found soon.

"The grounds crew has been kept busy lining fields for the athletic events and preparing the Park Oval before and after football games.

"It is my understanding that the Belleville-Nutley Rowing Association will shortly award contracts for the completion of the boat house. It is anticipated that the contract will be signed the first part of next week. The building should be ready for our crew team's use this spring.

"We are pressing for the redrawing of the plans and the rewriting of the specifications for the development of the Margaret Avenue-DeMuro Park project in the hope that bids can be taken within the next month. Mr. Farewell and I recently met with a representative of the Federal and State Offices of Conservation, and from what I am able to understand, it looks as though we should receive approval within the next week or two.

"I attended a job site meeting at the Radcliffe School yesterday, and things are going along quite well. One unfortunate incident is that delivery of steel may be held up one week due to a trucking strike which I understand is now going on. The walls on the small building are being erected and should be ready for roof structure within a short period of time. Approval has been given to the general contractor, L. L. Amato Construction Co., to break through into the all-purpose room so that preparations for the necessary tie-ins may be made.

"I talked to representatives of the roof bonding company yesterday and the general contractor. We discussed whether or not the tying in of the new structure would in any way nullify our present bond. The representative of the roof bonding company intends to submit a letter to the Board shortly stating that this will in no way affect the present bond. Actually, we are not going to cut into the roof. However, it was thought that we should receive such a letter to make sure that our bond will not be affected.

"I want to thank the members of the Board of Education for permitting me to attend the Association of School Business Officials of the United States and Canada convention this past week. I would also like to thank you for making it possible for me to chair the committee which evaluated the business areas of the Dade County School System. This is an innovation that I thought of several years ago and that I have carried to the State and National levels.

"It is my opinion that New Jersey will set up within a short period of time a so called peer evaluation of the business functions of its school districts, and that I may be able to secure a grant for getting the program started on a National level. I am certain that once the program is started it will not only do much to raise the level of the business practices of our school systems as far as school districts, but will also help many of those who participate in the evaluation itself. It is my opinion that an evaluation of this type will improve physical buildings and their contents, cafeteria services, operational and maintenance services, as well as transportation and accounting practices of a school district.

"In the Dade County Evaluation I had 29 men and women who are professionals in their respective fields. These men and women came from all over the United States to work on the Dade County Evaluation. They learned a lot, and we are sure that Dade County will be a better school system because of their visit.

"One problem which we ran into was the fact that due to the shortness of time, we did not have the opportunity to prepare a written report of our evaluation findings. The Superintendent and Business Administrator asked that we give the reports verbally to the staff and Board members of Dade County. Because of the time problem, it was requested that only negative findings be given and that other comments be given later when the final report was submitted. This was fine except for one thing, at the meeting with the staff the press, radio and television was included at this portion of the program."

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Frank Solimo questioned why the \$120,000 allocated for the Margaret Avenue-DeMuro Park project was not followed through. Mr. Zabriskie stated that when bids were received on July 14, 1967, they came in much higher than was anticipated and work could not proceed on this project. It was felt that by making changes, and rewriting plans and specifications, bids would again be submitted and hopefully would come in at a much lower figure. Mrs. Peddieson commented that it was not unusual for bids to come in high, and it was anticipated that they would come in at the \$120,000 figure.

#### AUDIT:

In compliance with R.S. 18:6-65.2 I am reporting the recommendations of A. M. Hart & Company, Public School Accountants, who audited the Board's books for the school year 1966-1967.

#### Recommendations:

"That the two old outstanding checks be investigated and reissued or cancelled by Board Resolution.

"That consideration be given to establish a separate bank account for the Improvement Fund Section of Accounts."

Mr. Zabriskie stated that there was a resolution before the Board this evening to cancel out the two outstanding checks, and that a separate fund was not needed for the Radcliffe School addition with the type of bookkeeping system that is used at the Board of Education office.

Mr. Tangorra moved that the audit by A. M. Hart be accepted, seconded by Mrs. Jaworek, and unanimously approved by the Board.

#### FINANCIAL REPORT:

Mr. Zabriskie presented the financial report as of September 30, 1967, showing total funds available of \$4,383,522.71, contractual orders to date of \$3,922,203.27, leaving a balance of funds available of \$461,319.44.

#### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Dr. Fleischer presented and read the following report:

"Enrollment projections based on September 30 enrollment and variables based on experience over the last five years show that we can expect nearly 2200 students in the High School within five years. The Franklin School will be over 900 students by 1973-1974 and the elementary enrollments will be at about 2750 students (excluding special education). A word of caution is in order, each of our previous projections proved to be conservative. The variables change rapidly in this time and place. The September attendance report shown below bears this out dramatically.

#### September Attendance Report

	<u>Number Pupils Moved into Nutley</u>	<u>Number of Pupils Moved out of Nutley</u>
High School	164	40
Franklin	53	22
Elementary	<u>158</u>	<u>51</u>
	375	113

"The trend is most apparent when this report is incorporated in a five year summary.

Summary of Differences

	<u>1963</u>	<u>1964</u>	<u>1965</u>	<u>1966</u>	<u>1967</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Ave.</u>
Secondary 7-12	134	113	122	148	155	672	132
Elementary	<u>9</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>51</u>	<u>60</u>	<u>107</u>	<u>277</u>	<u>55</u>
Total	143	163	173	208	262	949	187

"An addition to the High School is necessary. Not only do we need additional classrooms, special areas such as gym, shop, and home economics, but office, conference, and storage spaces are also needed. The staff is now making a study as to the additional physical facilities needed for a modern up-to-date high school for 2200 students. The problem of locating such an addition poses another real problem and we should begin to think of the various alternatives which may be open to us.

"Mr. Luddy and his business education staff have been studying the feasibility of providing more extensive data processing in that department. We will present a proposed pilot program to the state for possible reimbursement.

"The guidance department of the High School is co-sponsoring with the High School Parents' Council its annual high school - college articulation night this evening. There is a change in format in that the panel is made up of local 'talent'. Mr. Broffman will discuss 'Parent and Student Responsibility in the Selection Process'. Mrs. Clement will talk on 'Latest Trends and Developments'. The following Nutley High School graduates will form the panel.

Carol Bruno	Newark State
Edward Connolly	Newark College of Engineering
Barbara Hoover	Montclair State
Thomas Pennett	Fordham

"On Wednesday, November 1st the High School will hold its 'open' house. The various elementary schools and the Franklin School have held their 'open' houses at the respective PTA meetings."

Mr. Solimo commented that in his neighborhood many of the students went to a parochial school after graduating from eighth grade. Mr. Solimo is of the opinion that the tuition in the non-profit schools is getting too high for the parents to pay, and he has noticed that more and more students are attending Nutley schools after the eighth grade. He feels that the Board of Education should look ahead now and start planning on having extra rooms for these students at the High School.

APPROVAL OF BILLS & MANDATORY PAYMENTS:

On motion made by Mr. Ohlson, seconded by Mrs. Jaworek, and unanimously approved by the Board, bills for goods received and services rendered were approved and payments ratified. See pages 34a, 34b, 34c, and 34d.

On motion made by Mr. Ohlson, seconded by Mr. Ludwig, and unanimously approved by the Board, bills for mandatory payments were approved and payments ratified. See page 34e.

REQUESTS FOR USE OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS & GROUNDS:

Mrs. Shaffer presented and moved the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Cocchiola, and unanimously approved by the Board:

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education approves the following, providing they conform to the rules and regulations set by the Board:

- \*1. A request from Cub Scout Pack No. 142 for the use of the Spring Garden School auditorium and gymnasium for the 1967-1968 school year for their meetings.
- \*2. A request from Boy Scout Troop No. 142 for the use of the Spring Garden School auditorium, gymnasium and basement teacher's room for the 1967-1968 School Year, for their meetings.
- \*3. A request from Cub Scout Pack No. 141 for the use of the Yantacaw School auditorium and gymnasium for the 1967-1968 School Year, for their meetings.
4. A request from the Spring Garden P. T. A. for the use of the Spring Garden School on Tuesday, November 7, 1967, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., for a cake sale.
5. A request from I. T. T. Local #447 for the use of the High School auditorium on Sunday, October 1, 1967, between the hours of 7:00 and 10:30 p.m., for a meeting.
- \*6. A request from the Tamarack Council, Boy Scouts of America for the use of two classrooms in the Lincoln School for the 1967-1968 School Year, for their meetings.
- \*7. A request from Mr. Thomas Farewell, Recreation Department, Town of Nutley, for the use of the Franklin School gymnasium on Friday, October 13, 1967 through to Friday, April 26, 1968, between the hours of 7:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m., for Franklin Frolics.
- \*8. A request from the Nutley High School for the use of the High School facilities for the 1967-1968 School Year, for their social activities.
- \*9. A request from the Special Education P. T. A. for the use of the Lincoln School for the 1967-1968 School Year, for their meetings.
10. A request from the Radcliffe School P. T. A. for the use of the Radcliffe School on Tuesday, November 7, 1967, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m., for a cake sale.
- \*11. A request from Miss Carol Tangorra, Sing-Out Nutley for the use of the High School auditorium on Sunday, October 28, 1967, between the hours of 5:00 and 10:30 p.m., for a sing-out performance.



- \*12. A request from the Nutley Adult School for the use of the High School for the 1967-1968 winter session.
- \*13. A request from Cub Pack No. 148 for the use of the Lincoln School auditorium and gymnasium for the 1967-1968 School Year, for their meetings.
- \*14. A request from Lillian Daniels School of Dancing for the use of the High School auditorium on Friday, May 24, 1968, between the hours of 7:00 and 12:00 p.m., for a dance recital.
- \*15. A request from the Nutley Little Theatre for the use of the High School auditorium on Saturday, November 11, 1967 and Sunday, November 12, 1967, between the hours of 2:00 and 6:00 p.m., for a children's show.

#### CAFETERIA REPORT:

Mr. Ohlson presented the cafeteria report as of September 30, 1967, showing a cash balance as of July 1, 1967 of \$11.24, total receipts of \$10,290.12, total disbursement of \$4,213.41, leaving a balance of \$6,087.95. Total "A" lunch - 12,269. Total milk sold - 21,295.

#### RESIGNATION:

#### Custodian

Mrs. Shaffer presented and moved the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Mrs. Jaworek, and unanimously approved by the Board:

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of Mr. Ronald Cundiff, custodian at the Spring Garden School, effective October 31, 1967.

#### APPOINTMENTS:

#### Substitutes

Mr. Ludwig presented and moved the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Mrs. Shaffer, and unanimously approved by the Board:

BE IT RESOLVED, That the substitutes listed below be approved for the 1967-1968 School Year:

Miss Diane Alvine Business Education

[REDACTED]

Mr. Allen Johnson English  
[REDACTED] Social Studies

Mrs. Janet Krueger K-3

[REDACTED]

Mr. Barry Miller Mathematics

[REDACTED]

Miss Jane Pascal K-6

[REDACTED]

Mrs. Jane Zwirek	Business Education
[REDACTED]	
Miss Dolores Notte	Physical Education
[REDACTED]	General Science
	Biology

#### APPOINTMENTS: Professional Personnel

Mr. Ludwig presented and moved the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Ohlson, and unanimously approved by the Board:

BE IT RESOLVED, That the following teachers and/or professional personnel be appointed for the 1967-1968 School Year at salaries agreed upon by the Board of Education, in accordance with the current salary guide:

Mr. Robert C. Schott	Guidance Counselor High School, as of November, 1967
Mrs. Margaret Criqui	Washington School as of October 9, 1967
Eugene Hrbarchuk, M. D.	Psychiatric Consultant

#### CANCELLATION OF BOARD WARRANTS:

Mr. Cocchiola presented and moved the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Mrs. Jaworek, and unanimously approved by the Board:

WHEREAS, warrant #50395, dated September 23, 1963, payable to the Garrard Publishing Company in the amount of \$3.90 and warrant #53097, dated July 22, 1965, payable to New Jersey Association of College Admission Counsellors in the amount of \$5.00, have been outstanding for a period of over two years and have been either lost or destroyed,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the Town of Nutley hereby authorizes its Secretary and the Custodian of School Monies to cancel these two outstanding Board warrants.

#### PURCHASE OF STATION WAGON:

Mr. Tangorra presented and moved the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Ohlson, and unanimously approved by the Board:

WHEREAS, bids have been received for the purchase of a vehicle to transport Nutley school children, and

WHEREAS, the low bidder was Newark Dodge, Inc., 11-21 Sussex Avenue, Newark, New Jersey, in the amount of \$2,775.00,



NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education hereby authorizes its Secretary to purchase a 1968 Dodge Station Wagon from Newark Dodge, Inc., low bidder.

Other Bidders Were:

Dodge-Montclair	\$2,935.00
10 Elm Street	
Montclair, New Jersey	

Mr. Zabriskie stated that the Board of Education is limited in the purchase of these vehicles since most manufacturers build the vehicle with the rear seat facing backwards, and the State Department will not permit this. Mr. Zabriskie further stated that letters had been written to manufacturers concerning this problem, but no replies had been received.

ALTERNATE SIGNATURE:

Mrs. Jaworek presented and moved the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Mrs. Shaffer, and unanimously approved by the Board:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education that in the absence of its Secretary, Mr. William H. Hoffmeister be authorized to sign checks in the following accounts:

Board of Education Social Security Account  
Board of Education Elementary and Secondary  
Education Act Account  
Board of Education Summer Payment Plan Account

OLD BUSINESS:

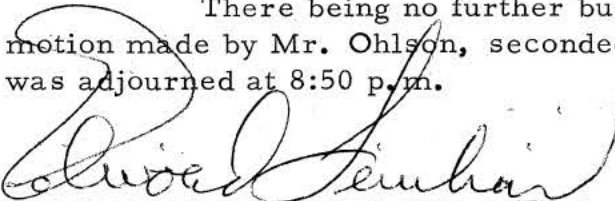
Mr. Solimo stated that he recalled that some time ago the Board of Education had received two trucks from the government and he questioned whether the Board used these trucks. Mr. Zabriskie stated that one truck had been given to the Town of Nutley and that the other one was used by the Board of Education frequently and in particular for the loading of the bleachers.

NEW BUSINESS:

None

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Board, on motion made by Mr. Ohlson, seconded by Mr. Cócchiola, the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.



President



Secretary

Nov 29, 1967

Date Approved

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