Board of Education Nutley, New Jersey

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, December 26, 1973, at 8:00 p.m., with Mrs. Thomas E. Jaworek, President, presiding.

### FLAG SALUTE:

The meeting was opened with Mr. Theodore J. Berger leading the Board members and citizens in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

#### ROLL CALL:

The other members present at roll call were: Mr. John E. Clayton, Jr., Mr. Theodore J. Berger, Mr. Albert E. Cameron, Jr., Mr. Walter Lindstrom, Mr. James M. Piro, Mrs. Edward M. Popadick, Mr. Gerard T. Restaino, and Mr. Frank V. Tangorra. Six citizens present.

#### MINUTES:

Copies of the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on November 28, 1973, at 8:00 p.m., being in the hands of each member, reading of same was dispensed. Mr. Clayton moved that the minutes be approved, seconded by Mr. Tangorra, and unanimously approved by the Board.

#### COMMUNICATIONS:

None

#### SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Mr. Ramsland presented and read the following report:

"As of this date five citizens have requested and received Nominating Petitions for the Board election to be held on Wednesday, February 13, 1974. The last date to file Nominating Petitions is Friday, January 4, 1974, at 4:00 p.m., and the Drawing for Position on Ballot will be on Monday, January 7, 1974 at 8:00 p.m. The Public Hearing on the budget has been tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, January 23, 1974, at 8:00 p.m. in the high school auditorium. The first Budget Presentation is scheduled for Monday, January 14, 1974 at 7:30 p.m. at Yantacaw School.

"As I am sure you can imagine, the snow and ice created quite a problem with our staff. It was impossible to use our snow blowers which necessitated chipping and shoveling by hand. With the freezing weather this caused quite a problem. Two tons of sand were used around the property of the system.

"In response to a question raised at last month's Board meeting, I would like to indicate for the record why night custodians are not being hired for the elementary schools. The buildings need more custodial time to keep them clean, and night custodians seemed the most practical at the time (14 months ago). After several months of study, however, I have concluded that we can accomplish the objective at considerably less cost by adding a half-time custodian who would work primarily after school is out, but still in the afternoons. One of the present custodians will also have his hours rearranged so as to have him in the building an extra hour after school is out. Further, such an arrangement will allow us to hire a woman as the part-time person, and a woman on the custodial staff is most desirable from several points of view. The only serious disadvantage is not having regularly scheduled custodians on duty for night-time activities. However, it is frequently necessary to have non-scheduled custodians in for these activities in order to protect the school's property. This could not be done by a custodian performing routine duties in another part of the building. It is my considered opinion that, given the present circumstances, the hiring of half-time women custodians is preferable to hiring full-time male night custodians.

#### Lincoln School

"Various items completed at Lincoln School included the installation of new univents, installation of shelving in the Special Education room and the projection room, and one-way glass was put in the door of the special education room.

#### Washington School

"Steam and return lines that had rusted out in the cement floor of the science room were replaced, and shelving for a storage closet in the lunchroom was completed.

#### Franklin School

<sup>M</sup>The floor was repaired in the shop area where a water leak had caused considerable damage.

# Spring Garden School

"Faulty solenoids were replaced in the univent in room 203.

# Yantacaw School

"The gym floor which had been damaged by vandals was repaired, and installation of the ceiling in the secretary's office and the library was completed.

#### Nutley High School

"Two univents were repaired, new fountains were installed in the science rooms and dutch doors were installed in the music storage room.

#### Special Education Center

"Cabinets in the new room on the second floor were completed and installed. New lighting fixtures and wall outlets were installed in various areas and we are now in the process of painting all new interior work and most of the existing rooms. A new roof has been installed on the building and the fire escape has been rebuilt.

"Broken windows, plumbing breakdowns, and various miscellaneous items were repaired in all the schools, as well as the gas lines leading to the incinerators being capped off.

"The conference tables which we are using for the first time tonight were completed by our maintenance staff, and I am sure will prove to be not only more adaptable and convenient for the Board members, but certainly will make it much easier for the citizens of Nutley to see and hear the Board members and for the Board to see the citizens.

"The plumbers are utilizing the school vacation days to perform repairs in the schools which require shutting down the heat or draining water pipes. The custodians will be busy cleaning the buildings for the return of the students and teachers on January 7, 1974.

# "Fire drills recently held were as follows:

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Nov.	12	Special Education Center	9:45 a.m.	2 min. 25 secs.
Nov.	14	Radcliffe School	2:43 p.m.	1 min. 40 secs.
Nov.	28	Special Education Center	10:15 a.m.	2 mins.
Nov.	28	Franklin School	2:30 p.m.	2 min. 14 secs.
Nov.	28	Radcliffe School	3:10 p.m.	l min. 52 secs.
Nov.	29	Lincoln School	2:30 p.m.	l min. 27 secs.
Nov.	30	Yantacaw School	12:54 p.m.	1 min. 35 secs.
Nov.	30	Spring Garden School	3:07 p.m.	l min. 10 secs.
Dec.	3	Radcliffe School	3:05 p.m.	l min. 45 secs.
Dec.	5	Special Education Center	1:00 p.m.	1 min. 30 secs.
Dec.	10	Radcliffe School	2:50 p.m.	l min. 52 secs.
Dec.	11	Franklin School	2:35 p.m.	2 min. 14 secs.
Dec.	13	Special Education Center	10:00 a.m.	l min. 20 secs.
Dec.	14	Washington School	12:50 p.m.	1 min. 40 secs.
Dec.	14	Spring Garden School	3:12 p.m.	l min. 20 secs.
Dec.	18	Spring Garden School	1:30 p.m.	l min. 20 secs.
Dec.	19	Lincoln School	10:05 a.m.	l min. 11 secs.
Dec.	19	Washington School	12:50 p.m.	l min. 40 secs.
De <b>c.</b>	20	Yantacaw School	3:14 p.m.	2 min. 30 secs."

#### FINANCIAL REPORT:

Mr. Ramsland presented the financial report as of November 30, 1973, showing total funds available of \$7,372,493.34, contractual orders to date of \$6,735,343.10, leaving a balance of funds available of \$637,150.24.

#### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Mr. Fowler presented and read the following report:

"I would like to publicly thank the Nutley Board of Education for their appointment of me to the position of Superintendent of Schools. As your Acting Superintendent I have had an opportunity to become somewhat familiar with the position. I have been especially impressed with the cooperation afforded me by Board members, staff and parents. It is my sincere belief that through this type of cooperation Nutley will continue to provide quality education for all of our children.

"A resource room has been established at Franklin School." It has been staffed on a part-time basis by one of our supplemental teachers, Mrs. Mildred Stiffler.

"Employees of Essex Chemical Corporation, headed by Mr. Daniel Marese of Nutley, planned and sponsored a party for all the trainable students. The party was held in the Special Education Center on Thursday, December 20, 1973. Mr. Marese and his co-workers are to be commended for their untiring efforts on behalf of these students. Mr. Stivala will be sending a thank you note to all concerned. "The drug education conference held on Saturday, December 8, 1973 was attended by approximately 100 staff members and other interested parties. All reports indicate that this was a very worthwhile program.

"We are in receipt of a report from a Title I monitoring team who visited our district on November 21, 1973. In compliance with their recommendations, action is being taken to make the necessary corrections as noted.

"The Nutley Board of Education's visual presentation of the 1974-1975 school budget will be ready early in January."

#### HEARING OF CITIZENS:

None

# APPROVAL OF BILLS & MANDATORY PAYMENTS:

On motion made by Mr. Clayton, seconded by Mr. Piro, and unanimously approved by the Board, bills for goods received and services rendered for December 26, 1973 were approved and payments ratified. (See pages 55a, 55b, and 55c)

On motion made by Mr. Clayton, seconded by Mr. Cameron, and unanimously approved by the Board, bills for mandatory payments for December 26, 1973 were approved and payments ratified. (See page 55c and 55d)

#### CAFETERIA REPORT:

Mr. Clayton presented the cafeteria report as of November 30, 1973, showing a cash balance as of July 1, 1973 of \$125.62, total receipts of \$50,765.27, total disbursements of \$42,222.14, leaving a balance of \$8,668.75. Total "A" lunch - 15,633. Free lunches - 1,548. Reduced Price Lunches - 125. Milk - 17,136. School Days - 17.

# REQUESTS FOR USE OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS:

Mr. Tangorra presented and moved the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Mrs. Popadick, and unanimously approved by the Board. (See pages 55e and 55f)

# APPOINTMENT - SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS:

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

WHEREAS the Board of Education, meeting in executive session on Thursday, December 13, 1973, appointed Mr. Glyn Fowler as Superintendent of Schools,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education officially ratifies this action and appoints Mr. Glyn Fowler\_as Superintendent of Schools of the School District of Nutley, New Jersey for the period beginning October 1, 1973 to June 30, 1974, at an annual salary agreed upon by the Board of Education. (\$30,000 per annum)

Mr. Tangorra commented that it is always good for our system whenever the Board has qualified people to really step up and in this particular case a person really well qualified has been appointed as Superintendent of Schools. Mr. Fowler has been with the School System for twenty-four years and has proven himself over and over again. We are most happy to have Mr. Glyn Fowler as our new Superintendent of Schools.

Mrs. Jaworek stated that Mr. Tangorra expressed the Board's sentiments, and offered Mr. Fowler the Board's warm support and a great welcome.

#### APPOINTMENT:

#### Cafeteria

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education hereby concurs in the action taken by its Secretary-Business Administrator in appointing Mrs. Virginia Ashley as a cafeteria employee, effective September 6, 1973 to June 30, 1974, in accordance with the current cafeteria salary guide. (3-1) \$2,068

#### **APPOINTMENT:**

# Bus Driver

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

> BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education hereby concurs in the action taken by its Secretary-Business Administrator in appointing Mr. Thomas A. Daly, Jr. as a bus driver, effective December 5, 1973 to June 30, 1974, in accordance with the current transportation salary guide. (1-4) \$7,280.00 per annum

#### APPOINTMENT: --

## Secretarial Substitutes

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the additional secretarial substitutes listed below be approved for the 1973-1974 school year:

# Mrs. Judith Gerasimenko Miss Elena Desses

#### APPOINTMENT:

# Additions to Substitute List - Teachers:

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the teacher substitutes listed on the attached sheet be approved for the 1973-1974 school year.

# **REVISED GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS:**

Mr. Piro\_presented and moved the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Lindstrom, and unanimously approved by the Board.

WHEREAS, the State Board of Education approved the new system of credit assignments and graduation requirements for New Jersey secondary schools, and

WHEREAS, these changes will take effect in the school year 1972-1973 for the entering ninth grade graduating class of 1976.

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the Town of Nutley approves the attached graduation requirements and credit assignments for the entering ninth grade graduating class of 1976 and future classes.

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# MANDATORY FUEL ALLOCATION PROGRAM:

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

WHEREAS, the Federal government has issued regulations establishing priority customers under the mandatory fuel allocation program, and

WHEREAS, education has not been specifically included among the priority customers, and

WHEREAS, the Nutley Board of Education believes that education is an investment in human resources and is integral to the moral, social, and economic development of the nation, and

WHEREAS, the Nutley Board of Education recognizes that areas such as agriculture and hospital/medical services are essential, and

WHEREAS, other non-essential sectors of the economy are continuing to operate without regard to the current energy crisis, and

WHEREAS, education is being required to conform to the mandatory regulations designed to conserve energy,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That education be specifically included in the list of priority customers under the mandatory allocation program.

# MANDATORY CLOSING OF SCHOOLS:

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

WHEREAS, the New Jersey State Board of Education has mandated that all public schools in the State be closed during the Christmas and New Year's period until January 7, and

WHEREAS, this action by the State Board of Education violated the concept of local control of public education, and

WHEREAS, local boards of education are most familiar with conditions in their local communities, and

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WHEREAS, it is the duty and function of local boards of education to keep the schools open whenever and 'whereverpossible, and

WHEREAS, the local boards of education have always stood ready to work with the State in bringing their collective expertise to bear upon the resolution of educational problems relating to the energy crisis,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the Town of Nutley expresses its great concern and strong displeasure with the lack of faith the New Jersey State Board of Education has expressed in local boards of education by mandating the closing of public schools, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the Town of Nutley strongly urges the State Board of Education to refrain from further mandates and instead to provide recommendations to local boards of education which they can weigh against local conditions.

# **APPOINTMENT - Election Workers:**

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

> BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education hereby appoints the Judges of Elections, Inspectors of Elections, and Clerks of Elections for the Annual School Election to be held on Wednesday, February 13, 1974, between the hours of 2:30 p.m. and 9:00 p.m., to be as follows:

#### Lincoln School

Radcliffe School

Mr. Daniel Marese, Judge Mrs. Rose Marese, Inspector Mrs. Robert Sorge, Clerk Mrs. Ruth Ferrie, Clerk Mr. Ralph Ferrie, Clerk Mrs. Josephine Esposito, Clerk Mrs. Chris Pecora, Clerk

Franklin School

Mrs. G. B. Deering, Judge Mrs. Barbara Avagliano, Inspector Mrs. Anthony Greco, Clerk Mrs. Joseph Reid, Clerk Mrs. John Petetti, Clerk Mrs. Ruth Seipp, Clerk

Yantacaw School II

Mr. J. Wesley Tillou, Judge Mrs. J. Wesley Tillou, Inspector Mrs. Alice Luxton, Clerk Mrs. Laura Robinson, Clerk Mrs. Charles Rohleder, Clerk Mrs. Marguerite Cox, Clerk Mrs. Vincent LoCurcio, Clerk Mrs. Thomas D'Ambola, Judge Mrs. Betty Catrambone, Inspector Mrs. Anthony Amoscato, Clerk Mrs. Frank Dziedzic, Clerk Mrs. Catherine Jackson, Clerk Mrs. Hans Haemisegger, Clerk Mrs. Rosemarie Simmons, Clerk Mrs. Elizabeth Barrett, **Qerk** Washington School

Mr. Carl Lore, Judge Mr. Charles Fanelli, Inspector Mrs. Carmella Donadia, Clerk Mrs. John M. Stoeckel, Clerk Mrs. Kenneth Duke, Clerk Mrs. Albert Thibault, Clerk Mrs. Timothy Herlihy, Clerk Mrs. Jessie Rosa, Clerk

# Yantacaw School III

Mrs. John Peddieson, Judge Mrs. J. B. Hamburger, Inspector Mrs. Margaret Nichols, Clerk Mrs. Shirley Kutzner, Clerk Mrs. Dorothy A. Duffe, Clerk Mrs. Patricia Crompton, Clerk Miss Kate S. Brewster, Clerk Mr. Harold Ross, Judge' Mrs. Dorothy Faulkner, Inspector Mr. William Cundiff, Clerk Mrs. Helen Strothkamp, Clerk Mrs. Peter Murray, Clerk Mrs. Leslie Kovach Clerk Mrs. Iris Arrigoni, Clerk Mrs. Florence Carson, Clerk

Spring Garden School

# SCHOOL CLOSING:

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Nutley Board of Education agrees to follow the New Jersey State Board of Education's mandate concerning the closing of the Nutley Public Schools during the period December 24, 1973 through the first week of January, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That students and teachers will return to school on January 7, 1974, and that any other changes in the school calendar will be announced as the need arises, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Nutley Board of Education agrees to the following:

a. Thermostatic temperature controls will be set at 68° during school hours and at 55° at all other times. Any organization using the school facilities for evening or weekend programs should advise their participants accordingly.

b. Recreation programs, as well as other presently scheduled programs, will be allowed to continue as scheduled; however, heat will be limited to the night settings.

c. Any new requests for evening or weekend use of buildings will be carefully studied prior to granting permission for use of same.

d. P.T.A. programs will be allowed to continue as planned.

- e. Student participation in field trips will only be granted by special permission.
- f. High school students will be asked not to drive vehicles to school.

g. All employees will be asked to form car pools, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That parents will be informed as new developments occur, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Education asks that the citizenry cooperate during this crisis period.

# TRANSFER OF FUNDS:

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

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BE IT RESOLVED, That the Secretary-Business Administrator be authorized to transfer funds within the 1973-1974 Current Expense account as follows:

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213	6,500	216
213	13,000	220
230A	4,500	230C
230B	2,000	230C
213	2,500	240
510	1,500	520A
510	1,771	535
510	1,500	550
610	2,500	650
740B	100	740C
213	6,500	820
130N	100	1510
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HEARING OF CITIZENS:

# OLD BUSINESS:

None

None

None

NEW BUSINESS:

ADJOURNMENT:

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There being no further business to come before the Board, on motion made by Mr. Clayton, seconded by Mr. Tangorra, the meeting was adjourned at 8:34 p.m.

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Secretary

Date Approved

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