Board of Education Nutley, New Jersey

January 14, 1980

A Special Meeting of the Board of Education of the Town of Nutley, New Jersey, was held in the Board Room, 149 Chestnut Street, on Monday, January 14, 1980, at 8:00 p.m., with Mrs. Ann Rabinowitz, Vice President, presiding.

FLAG SALUTE:

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

ANNOUNCEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE:

Mrs. Rabinowitz read the following notice:

"As required by the 'Open Public Meetings Act' (Chapter 231, P.L. 1975), notice of this meeting was provided to the public and the press by being included in the Annual Schedule of Meetings which was adopted at the Organization Meeting held on May 21, 1979, and

- 1. Posted at the entrance of the Board offices.
- 2. Mailed or delivered to The Nutley Sun, the Newark-Star Ledger, and the Passaic Herald-News, and
- 3. Delivered to the Nutley Town Clerk."

ROLL CALL:

The other members present at roll call were: Mrs. Roy Imhoff, Mr. Walter S. Lindstrom, Mr. James Murray, Mr. Carl Perez, Mr. Gerard T. Restaino, and Mr. Frank V. Tangorra. Absent and excused: Mrs. John Wightman and Mr. Louis F. Williams. Approximately 15 citizens were present.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF PURPOSE OF MEETING:

Mrs. Rabinowitz read the following notice:

"The purpose of this meeting is to adopt a tentative budget for operation of the school district for the 1980-1981 school year, and to transact any other business which may properly come before the Board."

HEARING OF CITIZENS (Agenda Items Only):

Donald Heerwig, 148 Lakeside Drive, asked various questions concerning the drop in enrollment, teaching staff, winter closing of schools

with regard to savings in fuel versus closing of a particular school, and questioned whether the Board had come to any further decision with regard to closing Radcliffe School. Dr. Fadule and Mrs. Rabinowitz replied.

Ronald Kulik, 10 Cleveland Avenue, questioned why there was not more of a cut in the reduction of staff since the district had lost 137 students last year, and over a ten-year period the loss was 1,500 students. Dr. Fadule replied.

Questions were asked with regard to a tax increase, and Mrs. Rabinowitz requested that Mr. Ramsland reply. Mr. Ramsland commented that there would be a 10-point tax increase this year in comparison to a 12-point tax increase last year. The reason for the smaller increase in the district tax levy was due largely to an increase in State Aid revenues.

ADOPTION OF TENTATIVE BUDGET:

Mrs. Imhoff presented and moved the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Lindstrom. On a roll call vote the resolution was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 18A:7A-28, as amended, requires the preparation on or before January 15, 1980 of a school budget for the ensuing year,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education hereby adopts a tentative budget for the 1980-81 school year in the total amount of

Current Expense	\$11,294,260
Debt Service	\$ 241,934
Total	\$11,536,194

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Secretary be authorized to submit this budget to the County Superintendent for his examination to determine that all the information submitted therein is verifiable from records on file in his office and is consistent with such records, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That upon receiving the approval of the County Superintendent the Secretary is authorized to publish the 1980-1981 Budget in THE NUTLEY SUN.

TRANSFER OF FUNDS:

Mr. Tangorra presented and moved the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Perez. On a roll call vote the resolution was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, funds have been included in each of the last several budgets for major non-recurring expenditures, including the replacement of asbestos ceilings, Park Oval bleachers, band uniforms, and business office data processing equipment, and

WHEREAS, these funds are presently being carried in the Free Appropriation Balances (Surplus) account,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education authorizes the Secretary-Business Administrator to transfer \$385,500 from Free Balances to the following 1979-80 Current Expense accounts:

720B	Contracted Services for Repair	\$316,500
	of Buildings	
730B	Replacement of Non-Instructional	60,000
	Equipment	
1030	Deficits of Student Body Activities	9,000
	Total	\$385.500

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Board, on motion made by Mrs. Imhoff, seconded by Mr. Murray, the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

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