Board of Education Nutley, New Jersey October 20, 1980

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 Monday, October 20, 1980, at 8:00 p.m., with Mr. Louis F. Williams, President, presiding.

FLAG SALUTE:

The meeting was opened with Mr. Murray 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. Douglas Eisenfelder, Mrs. Jacqueline Imhoff, Mr. James Murray, Mr. Carl Perez, Mrs. Ann Rabinowitz, Mr. Gerard T. Restaino, and Mrs. Marilyn Wightman. Absent and excused: Mr. Frank V. Tangorra. Four citizens were present.

MINUTES:

Copies of the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on September 22, 1980, at 8:00 p.m., being in the hands of each member, reading of same was dispensed. Mr. Murray moved that the minutes be approved, seconded by Mr. Eisenfelder, and unanimously approved by the Board.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Mr. Ramsland presented and read the following communications:

1.

A letter from Robert F. Kanaby, Executive Secretary-Treasurer, N.J.S.I.A.A.:

"Thank you for returning the questionnaire sheets distributed at our September 25th meeting.

"We are most interested in the comments of your Board members and appreciate your interest and cooperation in this matter."

2.

A letter from Sara Jones re the Nutley High School Band:

"I would like to know why the Band does not play more at the football games. Last week they were put to shame by Columbia and this week it was Irvington. They both played numerous numbers, not just the cheer number as Nutley did.

"I'm certain it's not the fault of the Band, that's what they are there for.

"I have also been told that seven band members quit after the first game. The quitting has been going on for sometime. There has got to be something wrong with the Music Director and his assistant.

"The young people are always being accused of doing wrong. Here you have a group that are kept busy and out of trouble.

"It's very sad."

3.

A letter from Frank F. Viola, President, Industrial Haulage Corp.:

"At schools and churches each year throughout the country children are seriously injured as a result of their playing on or around garbage containers. Even more tragic is the fact that some have lost their lives and others will. Aside from the dangers that trucks dumping these large containers represent there are other numerous hazards regarding the containers themselves such as:

> FALLING INTO OR OFF OF A CONTAINER. BEING STRUCK BY A HEAVY CONTAINER LID. CUTS OR SCRATCHES THAT MAY RESULT IN AN INFECTION.

"SCA is deeply concerned about the safety of the children who attend your school or church. Unfortunately, we have little control over these individuals, but, you do. Consequently, we request you distribute a notice regarding children playing on or around garbage containers.

"Your help in this matter will make your area a safer place and could even save the life of a child. Your cooperation is most appreciated."

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Mr. Ramsland presented and read the following report:

"A tragic accident occurred at the southwest entrance to the Park Oval about an hour after the game on Saturday. A Clifton man, driving south on Franklin Avenue, lost control of his car, presumably because of a heart attack, crossed the northbound lane and crashed into the brick entrance gate piers. One pier was demolished, the other pier badly damaged, the gates were sent flying, and the iron picket fence was damaged. The driver was DOA at Clara Maass hospital. It is, however, extremely fortunate that no one was on the sidewalk or steps at the time. I have contacted our insurance carrier and am hopeful for a speedy adjustment so that we can get repairs underway.

"Speaking of the Oval, the aluminum seat boards for the visiting band were in place for Saturday's game. They had been delivered in time for the first game, but our supplier had troubles with his installer, and, therefore, missed the first two games. "I have received official notification that the State budget cap increase percentage for 1981-1982 is 10.6348%. Last year it was 9.2290%. Since our cost per pupil is very close to the state average, our budget cap for the 1981-1982 school year will probably be in the 10 to $10\frac{1}{2}$ % range.

"In addition to general maintenance and glass replacement at the high school, eight windows were replaced this month. 13 projects of carpentry and general maintenance were done, and 23 of plumbing and heating.

"Fire drills held during the months of September and October were as follows:

Sept.		Spring Garden School	11:00 a.m.		28 secs.
Sept.	24	Franklin School	10:10 a.m.	2 min.	10 secs.
Sept.		Washington School	8:50 a.m.	1 min.	30 secs.
Sept.	29	Nutley High School	10:40 a.m.	4 min.	
Sept.	29	Yantacaw School	12:55 p.m.	l min.	28 secs.
Oct.	6	Yantacaw School	10:21 a.m.	l min.	30 secs.
Oct.	6	Spring Garden School	10:40 a.m.	l min.	25 secs."

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Mr. Ramsland presented the financial report as of September 30, 1980, showing total funds available of \$12,555,548.13, contractual orders to date of \$2,974,423.69, leaving a balance of funds available of \$9,581,124.44.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Dr. Fadule presented and read the following report:

"As of October 20th all Open Houses in the district have been conducted. Board members and the Superintendent addressed the district's priorities wherever appropriate. The atmosphere of the meetings seemed to be positive and constructive.

"The Kindergarten Curriculum Committee directed by Mr. Powderly will meet for the first time on Saturday, October 25th. The Elementary Math Standards Committee directed by Miss Rose DiGeronimo are almost finished their assignments. The Composition Writing Skills Committee has progressed quite well."

CAFETERIA REPORT:

Mrs. Rabinowitz presented the cafeteria report as of September 30, 1980, showing a cash balance as of July 1, 1980 of \$21.34, total receipts of \$34,207.54, total disbursements of \$16,625.30, leaving a balance of \$17,603.58. Total "A" lunch - 18,516. Total milk sold - 20,990. Free lunches - 2,484. Reduced price lunches -587. School days - 20.

HEARING OF CITIZENS (Agenda Items Only):

None

BILLS AND MANDATORY PAYMENTS:

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education authorizes the payment of bills and mandatory payments in the total amount of \$1,231,023.28 as per the attached Schedule A which have been audited by the Business Department.

REQUESTS FOR USE OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS:

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education approves the requests for the use of school buildings and grounds (Schedule B), provided they conform to the rules and regulations set by the Board of Education.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE - Teacher:

Mrs. Sandra Prestifilippo

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education approve a maternity leave of absence for Mrs. Sandra Prestifilippo, Franklin School art teacher, effective October 27, 1980 through June 30, 1981, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That any request for an extension of this leave must be submitted to the Superintendent of Schools on or before April 1, 1981.

RESIGNATION - Custodian:

Mr. Dennis Van Syckel

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the resignation of Mr. Dennis Van Syckel, Washington School custodian, be accepted effective September 30, 1980.

RESIGNATION - Athletic:

Mr. Ronald Vassallo

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the resignation of Mr. Ronald Vassallo as Assistant Track Coach for the 1980-1981 school year be accepted.

RESCINDING APPOINTMENT - Athletic: Miss Mary Jane Gallagher

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

WHEREAS, by resolution of July 28, 1980 Miss Mary Jane Gallagher was appointed Twirling Coach for the 1980-1981 school year,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That this appointment be rescinded.

APPOINTMENT - Athletic:

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Mrs. Antoinette Papincak

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the appointment of Mrs. Antoinette Papincak as Cheerleading Coach be approved for the 1980-1981 school year at the annual salary of \$575.00 (1) which is in accordance with the 1980-1981 athletic salary guide.

APPOINTMENT - Substitute:

Mrs. Grace Russo

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That Mrs. Grace Russo be approved as a substitute effective October 8, 1980 at the rate of \$30.00 per day and fringe benefits which include Blue Cross-Blue Shield and dental plan.

APPOINTMENTS - Teachers, Title I & State Compensatory Education Programs:

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the following additional teachers for the Title I and State Compensatory Education Programs be approved for the 1980-1981 school year:

High School	Mary Ann Smith	S.C.E.
Holy Family	Marcia Zager	Title I
Radcliffe School	Rose Milazzo	Title I

APPOINTMENT - Clerk-Typist:

Mrs. Suzanne Peters

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That Mrs. Suzanne Peters be appointed Clerk-Typist in the Athletic Director's Office for the 1980-1981 school year, effective October 14, 1980, at the annual salary of \$6,103 (4-4) which is in accordance with the 1980-1981 Clerk-Typists salary guide.

APPOINTMENT - Substitute Bus Attendant: Mrs. Carmela Masucci

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That Mrs. Carmela Masucci be appointed as a substitute bus attendant for the 1980-1981 school year, effective October 10, 1980, at the hourly rate of \$3.76 (Group 1, Step 2).

APPOINTMENTS - Teacher Substitutes:

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the teacher substitutes listed on the attached Schedule C be approved for the 1980-1981 school year.

APPOINTMENTS - Secretarial/Clerical Substitutes:

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the following additional secretarial/ clerical substitutes be approved for the 1980-1981 school year:

> Mrs. Jean Ciccone Mrs. Madeline Lilore

APPOINTMENTS - Custodial Substitutes:

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That Mr. Elnet Brown and Mr. Dwight Watkins be appointed as custodial substitutes for the 1980-1981 school year at the rate of pay of \$3.75 per hour, effective October 6, 1980.

EMPLOYER LIABILITY - Pension Increase:

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

WHEREAS, the General Non-Contributory Pension Act (Chapter 379) Public Laws (1971) request annual changes in pension benefits to correspond to changes in the Consumer Price Index, and

WHEREAS, Helen Sullivan retired from service in the Nutley School System on June 30, 1964 under said act,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the pension of Helen Sullivan be increased by the amount of \$238.11 to a new annual rate of \$3,377.15 effective January 1, 1981.

NEW JERSEY STATE INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP:

Mrs. Imhoff presented and moved the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Mrs. Wightman. Upon being put to a roll call vote the resolution was adopted with Mr. Williams, Mr. Eisenfelder, Mrs. Imhoff, Mr. Murray, Mrs. Rabinowitz and Mrs. Wightman voting aye and Mr. Perez and Mr. Restaino voting nay:

> BE IT RESOLVED, That the Nutley School District renews its membership in the New Jersey State Interscholastic Athletic Association for the 1980-1981 school year.

ATHLETIC FEES:

Mr. Williams, President, tabled the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, That the recommended adjusted fees for officials and other game personnel as shown in Schedule D be approved for the 1980-1981 school year.

CHANGE ORDER - Suburban Restoration, Inc.:

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education approves a change order to Suburban Restoration, Inc. in the total amount of \$7,454 for the following additional electrical work at the high school in connection with the ceiling and lighting replacement:

Emergency lights - 1st & 2nd floors	\$4,480
Emergency lights - gym	560
Exit lights	360
Additional lighting in art room	504
50 speakers to replace original	1,550
	\$7,454

AUDIT:

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

WHEREAS, the audit of the financial records of the school district for the 1979-1980 school year has been made. according to the requirements of Title 18A, by the firm of Deloitte Haskins & Sells, and

WHEREAS, copies of a synopsis of this audit, together with recommendations have been made available to the public,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education acknowledges receipt of this audit and accepts the recommendations contained therein.

AUDITORS' RECOMMENDATIONS:

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the following steps which have been taken relative to the auditors' recommendations be ratified by the Board and recorded in the minutes:

Recommendation

 That requests for bids be publicly advertised for all commitments in excess of \$2,500 as required by N.J.S. 18A:18A-4. The Board regrets the inadvertent omission and the Secretary has been instructed to monitor future purchases more carefully.

That documentation in the form of invoices or statements be presented to school principals before checks are issued on General Organization Fund accounts and that such documentation be retained as part of the accounting records of each Fund.

All principals have been advised of this requirement and their compliance requested.

3. That Spring Garden School and Athletic Clearing Account maintain both cash receipts and disbursements ledgers.

Custodians of both of these accounts have been advised of this requirement and the Business Office has set up a functional accounting system for them.

4. That the Athletic Clearing Account be reconciled on a timely basis and that all checks be dual-signed as required by the Board of Education.

The custodian of this account has been directed to comply with this recommendation.

MEMORIAL - Miss Araminta E. Ayers:

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

WHEREAS, it is with a sense of sorrow and regret that the Board of Education of the Town of Nutley records the death of Miss Araminta E. Ayers on October 2, 1980, and

WHEREAS, Miss Ayers had an educational career spanning 39 years in the Nutley Public Schools, and

WHEREAS, she was a loyal and devoted teacher who enriched the lives of all the young people with whom she came in contact,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the Town of Nutley, expresses its feeling of loss and extends its heartfelt sympathy to her family, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be made a part of the minutes of this meeting and a copy sent to the members of her family.

MEMORIAL - John E. Clayton, Jr.:

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

WHEREAS, it is with a sense of sorrow and extreme regret that the Nutley Board of Education records the death of John E. Clayton, Jr., on October 4, 1980,

WHEREAS, John E. Clayton, Jr. had served the Nutley Board of Education as an elected member, during which time he served as Vice-President and President, and

WHEREAS, throughout the years Mr. Clayton has exemplified the finest qualities and has brought honor and recognition to the Board of Education serving as a representative to the Washington School P.T.A., Third Half Club, P.T.A. Council, Nutley High School Parents Council, Essex County School Boards Association and the Nutley High School Athletic Committee, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Clayton has served as Nutley's Director of Senior Citizens Affairs for the Department of Parks and Recreation and has been most active in Nutley civic affairs, serving as a Trustee with the Nutley Elks Lodge 1290, Nutley's Shade Tree Commission, Old Guard, Am Friends Club at Amvet Post 30, St. Mary's Knights of Columbus Council 2346, Nutley Emergency and Rescue Squad and has been active in the Holy Name Society of St. Mary's Church, and

WHEREAS, he has loyally and faithfully devoted his full strength and talent to hundreds of senior citizens, and has conducted himself at all times in an exemplary manner, which won him the everlasting affection and love of the senior citizens, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Clayton was one of Nutley's outstanding citizens, and his qualities of leadership, his foresight, clear judgment, and wise counsel, together with his daily contacts, were characterized by a courtesy that won the warmest friendship of all with whom he was associated, and

WHEREAS, even though Mr. Clayton has won recognition and success in the field of business, it is as a man and friend that he is held in the highest esteem by all who touch his life,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the Town of Nutley expresses its feeling of great loss and extends to his family its warmest sympathy, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this memorial be made a part of the minutes of the Board and a copy sent to Mrs. Clayton and members of his family.

HEARING OF CITIZENS:

Several questions were asked by Mrs. Marilyn Craine, 464 Prospect Street, with regard to the time allotted for band practice, to which Dr. Fadule replied.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

None

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Board, on motion made by Mr. Perez, seconded by Mrs. Imhoff, the meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

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