

Board of Education
Nutley, New Jersey

April 13, 1981

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, April 13, 1981, at 8:15 p.m., in order that the present Board of Education may complete pending business prior to the organization of the new Board. Mr. Louis F. Williams, President, presided.

FLAG SALUTE:

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

CALL OF ROLL:

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, Mr. Frank V. Tangorra, and Mrs. Marilyn Wightman. Five citizens were present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Copies of the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on March 30, 1981, 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 Mrs. Imhoff, and unanimously approved by the Board.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Mr. Ramsland presented and read the following communications:

1. A letter from Dorothea Kronyak, Director of Catholic Family and Community Services, Mount Saint Joseph Children's Center:

"We would like to express our sincere thanks to you and the members of the Board of Education for donating to our center the stove and refrigeration from the Orphanage Building. These were acquired through the Elks Committee on Abused Children.

"Please be assured that they will be extremely helpful to us here at the Center.

"Your kindness and consideration are greatly appreciated."

2. A letter from Fred G. Burke, Commissioner, State of New Jersey, Department of Education:

"The documentation submitted by the Nutley School Board to support an upgrading in the classification status of the Nutley School District, Nutley High School, Franklin, Lincoln, Washington, Yantacaw, and Spring Garden Schools from Interim Approved to Approved in the area of Other Law and Regulation (Facilities, Equality of Educational Programs, and Vocational Education Safety Regulations) has been received, reviewed and approved by my office. Consequently, on April 1, 1981, I recommended and the State Board of Education approved the upgrading in the classification status of the schools and district in this area of evaluation as requested. The upgrading has been duly noted in our official records and you are free to notify the school community of the upgrading."

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Mr. Ramsland presented and read the following report:

1. "Another election is now history, and the electorate has again given the Board of Education a vote of confidence to implement its plans for next year. However, this did not just happen. Many people contributed to the successful planning, execution, and results of the budget election. So many, in fact, that I dare not mention names, lest I omit some. Let me just publicly thank the volunteers who served on election boards at the polling places. Many of them have served for a number of years; some worked this year for the first time. In spite of the potentially disastrous combination of many last minute cancellations and new, unfamiliar voting machines, they came through with flying colors. A sincere thank you to all of you.
2. "Congratulations to Mr. Williams, Mrs. Rabinowitz and Mr. Perez on their re-election to the Board. Only one voter thought they should be replaced.
3. "The State Board of Education has approved the change in classification of the Nutley Schools and district from 'Interim Approved' to 'Approved' in the area of 'Other Law and Regulation'.
4. "Ten windows were replaced during the past month. In addition to this, 23 items of carpentry and general repairs were made, and 15 of plumbing and heating.

"Fire drills held during the months of March and April were as follows:

March 26	Lincoln School	2:10 p.m.	56 secs.
March 27	Franklin School	2:00 p.m.	1 min. 45 secs.
March 31	Washington School	1:00 p.m.	1 min. 30 secs.
March 31	Franklin School	10:07 a.m.	2 min.
April 1	Nutley High School	2:07 p.m.	2 min.
April 3	Spring Garden School	1:38 p.m.	1 min. 28 secs."

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Mr. Ramsland presented the financial report as of March 31, 1981, showing total funds available of \$12,629,912.35, contractual orders to date of \$11,704,077.21, leaving a balance of funds available of \$925,835.14.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Dr. Fadule presented and read the following report:

Informational Items:

"All districtwide New Jersey Minimum Basic Skills testing is completed.

"All curriculum planning and student scheduling for the 1981-82 school year is in progress.

"The Nutley High School Higher Educational Opportunities Fair will be conducted May 5th. (Attachment)"

CAFETERIA REPORT:

Mrs. Rabinowitz presented the cafeteria report as of March 31, 1981, showing a cash balance as of July 1, 1980 of \$21.34, total receipts of \$207,048.15, total disbursements of \$176,797.86, leaving a balance of \$30,271.63. Total "A" lunch - 23,561. Total milk sold - 18,163.

HEARING OF CITIZENS (Agenda Items Only):

None

STATEMENT OF RESULTS OF ANNUAL SCHOOL ELECTION:

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

WHEREAS, the Annual Election of the legal voters of the School District of the Town of Nutley, in the County of Essex, New Jersey, was held on Tuesday, April 7, 1981, between the hours of 2:30 and 9:00 p.m. and as much longer as was necessary to permit all the legal voters then present at the polling places to vote, and

WHEREAS, voting was conducted at the Washington, Lincoln, Yantacaw, Spring Garden, Radcliffe, and Franklin Schools, all in the School District, and

WHEREAS, voting was conducted for the election of three members to the Board of Education for a period of three

years and for authorizing the raising of \$9,720,902 in district taxes to support the proposed 1981-1982 Current Expense Budget,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the results of the election be recorded in the minutes as per the attached report.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That Ann Rabinowitz, Louis F. Williams and Carl Perez be declared elected as members of the Board of Education for three year terms.

BILLS AND MANDATORY PAYMENTS:

Mr. Tangorra 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 \$646,294.14 as per the attached Schedule A which have been audited by the Business Department.

REQUESTS FOR USE OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS:

Mrs. Wightman presented and moved the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Mrs. Rabinowitz, 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.

Mr. Williams read the following letter from Dr. Thomas A. Davis, Assistant Superintendent of Schools:

"Please accept this letter tendering my resignation as Assistant Superintendent of Schools effective June 30, 1981. I have accepted the post of Superintendent of Schools in Randolph Township, New Jersey.

"It is with a deep sense of regret that I leave Nutley. In the six years that I have worked here I have been impressed with the dedication and quality of both faculty and administrative staff. Additionally, the enthusiasm of our students is exceptional and has spurred me on.

"I am particularly indebted to you and the entire Board of Education for their unswerving support. Without this it would have been impossible for me to have completed the tasks Dr. Fadule and the Board set as priorities for the schools. Dr. Fadule's help, inspiration, and guidance, and the professional competence and hard work of our teachers, have made my work rewarding and have contributed incalculably to my own professional growth.

"When the members of the Randolph board researched my work in Nutley, their inquiries confirmed that our town has an excellent school system, one that enjoys the full support of staff and community. It is this sense of shared commitment and effort that has made my years here so productive and worthwhile.

"In leaving I want to offer my warmest best wishes for the continued success of the Nutley schools in meeting the challenges of the coming years."

Comments were made by several Board members expressing regret on the resignation of Dr. Davis, and complimenting him on the excellent job he performed during the years he has served in the capacity of Assistant Superintendent.

RESIGNATION - Assistant Superintendent
of Schools:

Dr. Thomas A. Davis

Mr. Murray 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 Board of Education accepts with regret the resignation of Dr. Thomas A. Davis, Assistant Superintendent of Schools, effective June 30, 1981.

Mr. Williams announced that after serving the Board as its President for the past three years, he wished to inform the Board prior to the reorganization meeting that he would not be a candidate for the Presidency for the coming year. He further commented that it had been a privilege to serve with an excellent administrative staff, and he extended his appreciation to Mrs. Rabinowitz, Vice-President, and the Board members for their support and dedication during his term as President.

HEARING OF CITIZENS:

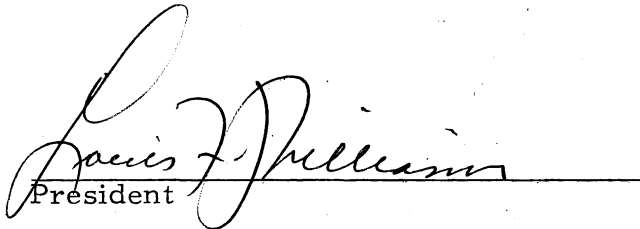
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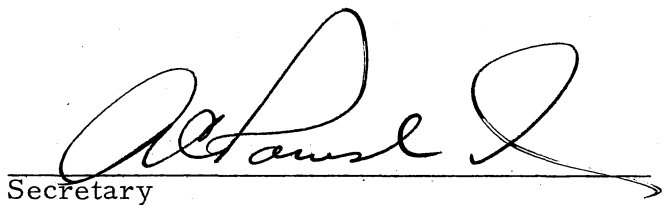
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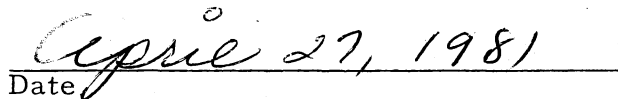
None

ADJOURNMENT:

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


President


Secretary


Date