

Board of Education
Nutley, New Jersey

April 8, 1985

The Organization Meeting of the Board of Education of the Township of Nutley, New Jersey, was held in the Board Room, 375 Bloomfield Avenue, on Monday, April 8, 1985, at 8:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order by the Secretary, Mr. Arnold C. Ramsland.

FLAG SALUTE:

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

ANNOUNCEMENT OF PURPOSE OF MEETING:

Mr. Ramsland read the following:

"Pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 18A:10-3, the Organization Meeting of the new Board of Education of the Township of Nutley will be held on Monday, April 8, 1985, at 8:00 p.m., in the Board Room, 375 Bloomfield Avenue, Nutley.

"The purpose of this meeting is to organize the new Board of Education and to transact such other business as may come before the Board."

ADMINISTRATION OF OATH TO NEW BOARD MEMBERS:

Mr. Ramsland administered the Oath of Office to Dr. Anthony N. Baratta, Mr. Charles W. Kucinski, Jr., and Mr. Joseph L. Malanga.

CALL OF ROLL:

The members present at roll call were: Dr. Anthony N. Baratta, Mr. Sam Battaglia, Mr. Frank V. Hermo, Mr. Charles W. Kucinski, Jr., Mr. Joseph L. Malanga, Mr. Charles J. Piro, Mr. Robert J. Rusignuolo, and Mrs. Rosalie C. Scheckel. Absent: Mr. Gerard T. Restaino. Eight citizens were present.

ELECTION OF PRESIDENT:

Mr. Ramsland, assuming the chair as Temporary Chairman, announced that the first item of business on the agenda would be the election of officers for the coming year. Nominations were then opened for the office of President.

Mr. Sam Battaglia placed the name of Mr. Charles W. Kucinski, Jr. in nomination for President, seconded by Dr. Anthony N. Baratta.

On a motion by Mrs. Scheckel, seconded by Mr. Malanga and unanimously approved, nominations were closed. There being only one nomination, Mr. Kucinski was declared unanimously elected President of the Board of Education.

ELECTION OF VICE-PRESIDENT:

Mr. Kucinski requested Mr. Ramsland to conduct the election for Vice-President. Mr. Ramsland asked for nominations for the position of Vice-President.

Mr. Robert J. Rusignuolo placed the name of Mr. Frank V. Hermo in nomination for Vice-President, seconded by Mrs. Rosalie C. Scheckel. Mr. Charles J. Piro placed the name of Mr. Joseph L. Malanga in nomination for Vice-President, seconded by Mr. Sam Battaglia. Dr. Baratta then moved that nominations be closed, seconded by Mrs. Scheckel, and unanimously approved.

Since there were no further nominations, Mr. Ramsland asked if there were any objections to a vote on both candidates with a single roll call. There were none.

The votes were as follows:

Those voting for Mr. Frank V. Hermo:

Dr. Baratta
Mr. Hermo
Mr. Rusignuolo
Mrs. Scheckel

Those voting for Mr. Joseph L. Malanga:

Mr. Battaglia
Mr. Kucinski
Mr. Malanga
Mr. Piro

Mr. Ramsland stated that there was a 4 - 4 tie, and asked if there were further nominations on a compromise candidate. There were none. Mr. Ramsland then stated that the election of Vice-President could be tabled until the ninth member is present.

Mr. Kucinski then called for a recess.

Upon reconvening of the meeting, Mr. Ramsland stated that the last poll for Vice-President was a tie vote and then entertained additional nominations.

Mr. Piro nominated Mr. Joseph L. Malanga for Vice-President, seconded by Mr. Battaglia. Mr. Malanga then announced that he would withdraw his candidacy for the position of Vice-President.

Mr. Rusignuolo then nominated Mr. Frank V. Hermo for Vice-President, seconded by Mr. Piro. Mr. Battaglia then moved that nominations be closed, seconded by Mr. Malanga and unanimously approved. There being only one nomination, Mr. Hermo was declared unanimously elected Vice-President of the Board of Education.

All nominations and seconds for the offices of President and Vice-President were accompanied by laudatory remarks of past performances of the nominees,

Mr. Ramsland turned the chair over to Mr. Kucinski, President. Mr. Kucinski thanked the Board for the vote of confidence and assured all that he would try to continue with the fine job done by the former President.

Mr. Hermo thanked everyone for their support and pledged to do the best job he could. He also thanked Mr. Malanga for being a fine Board member.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Copies of the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on March 25, 1985, at 8:00 p.m., being in the hands of each member, reading of same was dispensed. Mr. Rusignuolo moved that the minutes be approved, seconded by Mrs. Scheckel, and unanimously approved by the Board.

COMMUNICATIONS:

None

HEARING OF CITIZENS:

None

STATEMENT OF RESULTS OF ANNUAL SCHOOL ELECTION:

Dr. Baratta presented and moved the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Rusignuolo, and unanimously approved by the Board:

WHEREAS, the Annual Election of the legal voters of the School District of the Township of Nutley, in the County of Essex, New Jersey, was held on Tuesday, April 2, 1985, 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

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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 \$12,729,740 in district taxes to support the proposed 1985/1986 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 Charles W. Kucinski, Jr., Joseph L. Malanga and Anthony N. Baratta be declared elected as members of the Board of Education for three year terms.

ADOPTION OF SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS:

Dr. Baratta presented and moved the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Malanga, and unanimously approved by the Board:

BE IT RESOLVED, That the regular monthly meetings of the Board of Education of the Township of Nutley be held on the fourth Monday of each month, except as noted otherwise, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That, in accordance with the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act of 1975, the following schedule of meetings for the next twelve months be adopted. (Schedule A)

ADOPTION OF POLICIES:

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the Township of Nutley hereby adopts for the ensuing year all Bylaws and Policies, Rules and Regulations currently in force.

DEPOSITORY OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SAVINGS ACCOUNTS:

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Nutley Savings and Loan Association be designated as the official depository for the 1985/1986 school year for individual student savings accounts to which deposits are made through the elementary schools.

DEPOSITORY OF SCHOOL FUNDS - Nutley Savings and Loan Association:

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Nutley Savings and Loan Association be designated as the official depository for the following accounts of the Nutley Board of Education for the 1985/1986 school year, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the following officers of the various accounts be authorized to sign checks drawn on the accounts effective April 8, 1985:

Special Projects

A. C. Ramsland
Jean Unglaub

School AccountsNutley High School

Frank T. Votto
John Jacone

Franklin School

Paul Primamore
William B. Shergalis

Lincoln School

Alexander B. Conrad

Spring Garden School

Anthony J. Stivala

Washington School

Rosemarie DiGeronimo

Yantacaw School

John Walker

Radcliffe School

Kathleen Serafino

High School Scholarships
Savings Account

Frank T. Votto
John Jacone

DEPOSITORY OF SCHOOL FUNDS - First Fidelity Bank:

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the First Fidelity Bank be designated as the official depository for the remaining accounts of the Nutley Board of Education for the 1985/1986 school year, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the following officers of the Board of Education be authorized to sign checks and warrants drawn on the general operating account, effective April 8, 1985:

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Primary SignatoryAlternate Signatory

Charles W. Kucinski, Jr., President Frank V. Hermo, Vice-President

A. C. Ramsland, Secretary

Richard A. Quigley, Treasurer of
School Monies

Rosemarie Sellari, Assistant
to the Treasurer of School
Monies

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the First Fidelity Bank be authorized to accept facsimile signatures of the check signing machine.

INVESTMENT OF FUNDS:

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Secretary-Business Administrator be and is hereby authorized to invest surplus funds of the Board of Education and funds which will be available for a determinate period of time in U.S. Government and Agency Securities, Business Savings Accounts of our designated depository, and Certificates of Deposit and Repurchase Agreements of our local banks, and in any other securities designated by law.

APPOINTMENT OF ATTORNEY AND NEGOTIATOR/CONSULTANT:

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

WHEREAS, there exists from time to time a need for legal services and negotiations/consultant services for the Board of Education, and

WHEREAS, funds are available for this purpose, and

WHEREAS, the Public School Contracts Law (Ch. 114, Laws of 1977) provides for the award of contracts for this type of professional service without competitive bidding,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Township of Nutley as follows:

1. The firm of Aron & Salsberg is hereby appointed Board attorney and negotiator/consultant for the 1985/1986 school year.
2. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a professional service under the provisions of

the Public School Contracts Law because said services are of an extraordinary, unspecifiable nature which cannot reasonably be described by written specifications, and require specialized expertise, extensive training, and proven reputation in the field.

APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR:

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

WHEREAS, there exists a need for an annual audit of school accounts, and

WHEREAS, funds are available for this purpose, and

WHEREAS, the Public School Contracts Law (Ch. 114, Laws of 1977) provides for the award of contracts for this type of professional service without competitive bidding,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Township of Nutley as follows:

1. The firm of Deloitte, Haskins & Sells is hereby appointed auditors for the accounts of the Board of Education for the 1985/1986 school year.
2. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a professional service under the provisions of the Public School Contracts Law because said services are of an extraordinary, unspecifiable nature, which cannot reasonably be described by written specifications, and require specialized expertise, extensive training, and proven reputation in the field.

LEASE OF BOARD PROPERTY TO NUTLEY FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY:

Mr. Malanga presented and moved the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Dr. Baratta, and unanimously approved by the Board:

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education leases a portion of its property adjacent to the Township Library to the Trustees of the Free Public Library of the Township of Nutley, for a term beginning May 1, 1985, and terminating April 30, 1986, at a term rental of One Dollar (\$1.00).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Education hereby authorizes its officers to execute said lease.

LEASE OF BOARD PROPERTY ON OVERLOOK TERRACE:

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education leases 20 feet of property owned by it, known as Lot Number 14, Block 212, (Overlook Terrace, rear entrance of Spring Garden School playground) on the tax maps of the Township of Nutley, to John Janiec and Mrs. Anne Janiec, his wife, for a term beginning May 1, 1985 and terminating April 30, 1986, at a term rental of One Dollar (\$1.00) in accordance with all requirements specified in the lease.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Education hereby authorizes its officers to execute said lease.

LEASE OF CHURCH STREET SCHOOL PROPERTY TO NUTLEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY:

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education leases the Church Street School property to the Nutley Historical Society in accordance with the provisions of the lease dated February 14, 1972, for a term beginning May 1, 1985 and terminating April 30, 1986, at a term rental of One Dollar (\$1.00), and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Education hereby authorizes its officers to execute said lease.

LEASE - 21 Romano Street:

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

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education that it hereby leases to Roxana Yang, owner of the property known as 21 Romano Street, Nutley, New Jersey, a strip of land 20 feet in width running along the westerly line of the premises of said lessee for the full width thereof, which said premises are listed as Block 18, Lots 45 and 46 in the tax assessor's books of the Township of Nutley, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That said lease be written for a term commencing May 1, 1985 and terminating April 30, 1986, at a term rental of One Dollar (\$1.00), and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Education hereby authorizes its officers to execute said lease.

LEASE - 22 Romano Street:

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

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Township of Nutley, that it hereby leases to Joseph L. and Mary Bernardi, owners of the property known as 22 Romano Street, Nutley, New Jersey, a strip of land 25 feet in width running along the westerly line of the premises of said lessee for the full width thereof, which said premises are listed as Block 18, Lots 78 and 79 in the tax assessor's books of the Township of Nutley, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That said lease be written for a term commencing May 1, 1985, and terminating April 30, 1986, at a term rental of One Dollar (\$1.00), and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Education hereby authorizes its officers to execute said lease.

OLD BUSINESS:

Mr. Battaglia commended Mr. Malanga for withdrawing his name for nomination as Vice-President, stating that it demonstrated Mr. Malanga's continued dedication to the Board. Mrs. Scheckel also thanked Mr. Malanga.

Mr. Malanga questioned the status of the crew building. Mr. Ramsland replied that Mr. Appleton of the Belleville Board of Education had been unable to reach the architect, and therefore, Mr. Ramsland had no progress to report at this time.

Dr. Fadule introduced Mr. Aaron Morrison and commended him for the fine job he has been doing with regard to his security work for the Board of Education.

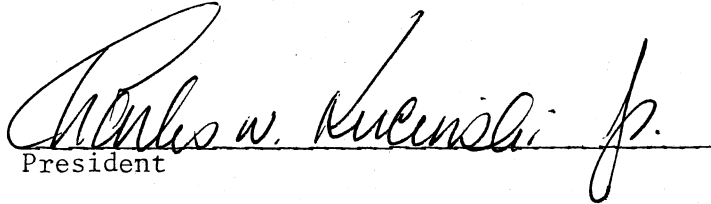
Mr. Kucinski also thanked Mr. Morrison for his fine work as well as Mr. Malanga for endeavoring to maintain unity on the Board.

NEW BUSINESS:

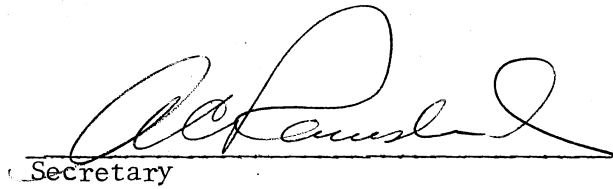
None

ADJOURNMENT:

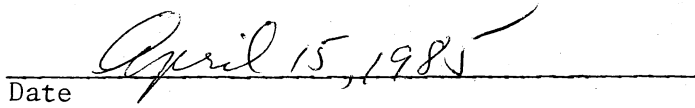
There being no further business to come before the Board, on motion made by Mr. Battaglia, seconded by Mr. Malanga, the meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.



President



Secretary



Date