

Board of Education
Nutley, New Jersey

May 1, 1990

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 Tuesday, May 1, 1990 at 8:00 p.m., with Mr. John C. Sincaglia, Temporary Chairman, presiding.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF MEETING:

Mr. Sincaglia read the following:

"According to the provisions of the 'Open Public Meetings Act' (Chapter 231, P.L. 1975), proper notice of this meeting of the Board was provided on April 9, 1990. Said Notice was:

1. Posted at the entrance of the Board Office.
2. Mailed to The Nutley Sun, the Star Ledger, the North Jersey Herald & News and the Nutley Journal.
3. Mailed to the Nutley Township Clerk.

"The purpose of this meeting is for the Board of Education to reorganize pursuant to NJSA 18A:10-3.

"Formal action will be taken."

FLAG SALUTE:

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

STATEMENT OF RESULTS OF ANNUAL SCHOOL ELECTION:

Mr. Sincaglia read the following:

"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 24, 1990 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.

"Voting was conducted at the Washington, Lincoln, Yantacaw, Spring Garden, Radcliffe and Franklin Schools, all in the School District.

"Voting was conducted for the election of three members to the Board of Education for a period of three years, for authorizing the raising of \$19,677,881 in district taxes to support the proposed 1990/1991 Current Expense Budget and to approve a referendum authorizing the sale of bonds in an amount not to exceed \$1,985,000 for the purpose of various projects including asbestos removal and re-insulation work, removal of underground storage tanks and necessary modifications to school heating plants and replacement of roofing sections at Nutley High School.

"The results of the election were as follows:

Candidates for 3-year terms

Donald R. Heerwig	1200 votes
Robert J. Rusignuolo	1879 votes
Sam P. Battaglia	1978 votes
Rosalie C. Scheckel	1839 votes
Peter A. Frazza	2 votes
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"The candidates elected were:

Robert J. Rusignuolo, Sam P. Battaglia and Rosalie C. Scheckel for three-year terms.

"The votes for the Current Expense portion of the budget were as follows:

Yes	1893 votes
No	882 votes

"The question of the tax levy was approved.

"The votes for the Referendum were as follows:

Yes	1724 votes
No	752 votes

"The question of the Referendum was approved.

"A copy of this report will be entered in the official minutes of the Board of Education."

Mr. Sincaglia commented that there was a much larger turnout than in past years, and he wished to publicly thank the election officials who had worked very hard, in some cases without even a break. He added that they worked above and beyond the call of duty, and it is a disgrace that the State only allows payment of \$4.00 per hour.

ADMINISTRATION OF OATH TO NEW BOARD MEMBERS:

Mr. Sincaglia administered the Oath of Office to Mr. Robert J. Rusignuolo, Mr. Sam P. Battaglia and Mrs. Rosalie C. Scheckel.

CALL OF ROLL:

The members present at roll call were: Dr. Anthony N. Baratta, Mr. Sam P. Battaglia, Mrs. Sally Goodson, Mr. Frank V. Hermo, Mrs. Aileen Hresko, Mr. Charles W. Kucinski, Jr., Mr. Charles J. Piro, Mr. Robert J. Rusignuolo and Mrs. Rosalie C. Scheckel. Twelve citizens were present.

ELECTION OF PRESIDENT:

Mr. Sincaglia declared nominations open for the office of President.

Mrs. Goodson placed the name of Mrs. Rosalie C. Scheckel in nomination for President, seconded by Mr. Kucinski. Since there were no other nominations for President, Mr. Rusignuolo made a motion to declare a unanimous ballot for Mrs. Rosalie C. Scheckel as President, seconded by Mr. Battaglia and unanimously approved by the Board.

ELECTION OF VICE-PRESIDENT:

Mrs. Scheckel requested that Mr. Sincaglia conduct the election for the office of Vice-President.

Mr. Kucinski placed the name of Mr. Sam P. Battaglia in nomination for Vice-President, seconded by Mr. Piro. Since there were no other nominations for Vice-President, Mr. Piro made a motion to declare a unanimous ballot for Mr. Sam P. Battaglia as Vice-President, seconded by Mrs. Goodson and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mrs. Scheckel then expressed her appreciation to the Board for its support and to Dr. Baratta for his two years as Board President, adding that he has been splendid with his knowledge, leadership and eloquence and would be a tough act to follow.

Mrs. Scheckel further stated that as a new year begins, she hopes that the Board will renew its dedication to its task to sit as a board, that the members will share their thoughts, and that the Board will set the policies that will allow our school system to continue in its pursuit of excellence and be truly responsive to the needs of the children, teachers, administrators and the public.

Mrs. Scheckel stated that she would announce committee assignments at the May 23 Board meeting, and in the meantime, Board members should continue in their current assignments.

HEARING OF CITIZENS (Resolutions Only):

Mrs. Joan Rubino, 48 North Road, questioned what the procedure is for paying the Board attorneys. Mr. Sincaglia

responded that the attorneys submit a monthly statement of items they have been working on, Mr. Sincaglia reviews it and, generally speaking, there is a bill on every bill list.

ADOPTION OF SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS:

Dr. Baratta presented and moved the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Kucinski 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 be adopted.
(Schedule A)

ADOPTION OF POLICIES:

Dr. Baratta 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.

DESIGNATION OF OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER:

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education designates The Nutley Sun as the official newspaper for meeting notices and hereby directs the Board Secretary to also send meeting notices to the Nutley Journal, Star Ledger and the North Jersey Herald and News.

DEPOSITORY OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SAVINGS ACCOUNTS:

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Nutley Savings Bank be designated as the official depository for the 1990/1991 school year for individual student savings accounts to which deposits are made through the elementary schools.

DEPOSITORY OF SCHOOL FUNDS - Nutley Savings Bank:

Mrs. Goodson 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 Nutley Savings Bank be designated the official depository for the following accounts of the Nutley Board of Education for the 1990/1991 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 May 1, 1990:

<u>Board of Education, N.J. Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund Account</u>	John C. Sincaglia or Jean Unglaub
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School Accounts

<u>Nutley High School</u>	John Jacone or Joseph Cocchiola
<u>Franklin School</u>	Paul Primamore or William B. Shergalis
<u>Lincoln School</u>	Alexander B. Conrad
<u>Spring Garden School</u>	Anthony J. Stivala
<u>Washington School</u>	Rosemarie DiGeronimo
<u>Yantacaw School</u>	John Walker
<u>Radcliffe School</u>	Kathleen Serafino

DEPOSITORY OF SCHOOL FUNDS - First Fidelity Bank:

Mrs. Goodson 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 First Fidelity Bank be designated as the official depository for the following accounts of the Nutley Board of Education for the 1990/1991 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 May 1, 1990:

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Board of Education General Account

Primary Signatory

Alternate Signatory

Rosalie C. Scheckel, President or Sam P. Battaglia, Vice-President
John C. Sincaglia, Secretary or Jean Unglaub, Manager of Accounts
David Wilson, Treasurer of
School Moneys

Board of Education Coupon Account

Primary Signatory

Alternate Signatory

Rosalie C. Scheckel, President or Sam P. Battaglia, Vice-President
John C. Sincaglia, Secretary or Jean Unglaub, Manager of Accounts
David Wilson, Treasurer of
School Moneys

Board of Education Salary Account

John C. Sincaglia, Secretary or Jean Unglaub, Manager of Accounts
David Wilson, Treasurer of
School Moneys

Board of Education Cash Account

John C. Sincaglia or Jean Unglaub

Board of Education Athletic Account

John C. Sincaglia or Jean Unglaub

Board of Education Cafeteria Account

John C. Sincaglia or Jean Unglaub

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

INVESTMENT OF FUNDS:

Mr. Hermo presented and moved the adoption of the follow-
ing resolution, seconded by Mr. Kucinski. On a roll call vote the
resolution was unanimously adopted:

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BE IT RESOLVED, That the Secretary/Business Administrator, with the approval of the Superintendent of Schools, be 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:

Mr. Hermo presented and moved the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Kucinski. 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 Sills Cummis Zuckerman Radin Tischman Epstein & Gross, P.A. of Newark, NJ is hereby appointed Board attorney and negotiator/consultant for the 1990/1991 school year.
2. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a professional service under the provisions of the Public School Contracts Law.

Dr. Baratta requested that the Board and public be given information regarding the attorneys who represent us. Mr. Sincaglia explained that the district's participation with the firm goes back many years beginning with the firm of Aron, Salsberg and Rosen which merged with Sills Cummis et al, which is the third largest firm in New Jersey. He indicated that Les Aron is still the Board's main attorney, adding that the Board has the advantage of having a major law firm but also having people who have worked for us for many years.

APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR:

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

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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 of Morristown, NJ is hereby appointed auditors for the accounts of the Board of Education for the 1990/1991 school year.
2. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a professional service under the provisions of the Public School Contracts Law.

APPOINTMENT OF TREASURER OF SCHOOL MONEYS:

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That Mr. David Wilson be appointed Treasurer of School Moneys for the 1990/1991 school year.

TRANSPORTATION CONTRACT - Essex County Educational Services Commission:

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the President and Secretary of the Board be authorized to enter into a contract with the Essex County Educational Services Commission for transportation of Special Education students during the 1990/1991 school year as may be necessary.

(NOTE: The Commission is transporting three Nutley students at the present time.)

LEASE OF BOARD PROPERTY TO NUTLEY FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY:

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

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, 1990 and terminating April 30, 1991, 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.

Mr. Kucinski questioned the status of negotiations with the library for the district to gain parking spaces for its students. Mr. Sincaglia replied that nothing has changed. Mr. Kucinski then asked if we would have to repair Booth Drive. Mr. Sincaglia responded that we would make some repairs but would do no repaving. Mr. Kucinski suggested that the administration approach the library board to see if there will be some movement in the near future. Mrs. Scheckel agreed that this should be pursued.

LEASE OF BOARD PROPERTY ON OVERLOOK TERRACE:

Mr. Piro 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 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, 1990 and terminating April 30, 1991, 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. Kucinski. On a roll call vote the resolution was unanimously adopted:

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, 1990 and terminating April 30, 1991, 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.

Mr. Rusignuolo questioned if the Board has entered into a long-term agreement with the Nutley Historical Society. Mrs. Scheckel mentioned that the agreement was not for insurance purposes but to assist the Society in obtaining State funding. Mr. Sincaglia explained that this is just the annual renewal of the token \$1.00 fee. He added that the original lease of February 14, 1972, which the Board did extend, is still in place with an addendum.

LEASE - 21 Romano Street:

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

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, 1990 and terminating April 30, 1991, 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:

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 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, 1990 and terminating April 30, 1991, 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.

OTHER BUSINESS:

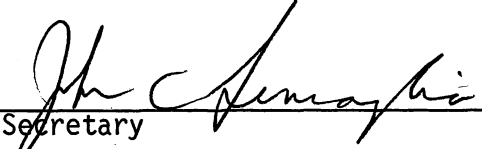
Mr. Hermo stated that he felt the Board should extend some form of appreciation to the school P.T.A.'s and other groups that helped support the district on the recent election and referendum. Mrs. Scheckel asked Mr. Sincaglia to prepare a letter of appreciation for the various groups.

ADJOURNMENT:

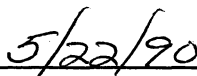
There being no further business to come before the Board, on motion made by Mr. Battaglia, seconded by Dr. Baratta, the meeting adjourned at 8:31 p.m.



President



Secretary



Date

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