

Board of Education
Nutley, New Jersey

May 6, 1991

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, May 6, 1991 at 7:35 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 March 4, 1991. 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 Mrs. Scheckel 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 30, 1991 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 and for authorizing the raising of \$21,635,609 in district taxes to support the proposed 1991/1992 Current Expense Budget.

"The results of the election were as follows:

Candidates for 3-year terms

Charles W. Kucinski, Jr.	1692 votes
Sally Anne Goodson	1658 votes
John G. Griwert	1635 votes
Sara Shuster	3 votes
Mrs. Chuster	1 vote
Donald Heerwig	3 votes
Joan Rubino	1 vote
Paul Ferrara	2 votes
Vito Scarpelli	5 votes
Sally Rand	1 vote

"The candidates elected were:

Charles W. Kucinski, Jr., Sally Anne Goodson and John G. Griwert for three-year terms.

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

Yes	1532 votes
No	885 votes

"The question of the tax levy was approved.

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

Mr. Sincaglia expressed his appreciation to the election workers who had done a fine job. He also thanked the principals and custodians for their efforts in setting up things and for ensuring that things ran smoothly. Mr. Sincaglia paid a particular thank you to Mr. Ronald Bonadonna, a high school teacher who worked with Mr. Sincaglia on setting up the election flyer. Mr. Sincaglia stated that he was happy to know we have a staff member and equipment to do these things.

ADMINISTRATION OF OATH TO NEW BOARD MEMBERS:

Mr. Sincaglia administered the Oath of Office to Mr. Charles W. Kucinski, Jr., Mrs. Sally Anne Goodson and Mr. John G. Griwert.

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CALL OF ROLL:

The members present at roll call were: Mrs. Sally Goodson, Mr. John G. Griwert, Mr. Frank V. Hermo, Mrs. Aileen Hresko, Mr. Charles W. Kucinski, Jr., Mr. Robert J. Rusignuolo and Mrs. Rosalie C. Scheckel. Late: Mr. Sam P. Battaglia (7:43 p.m.) and Mr. Charles J. Piro (7:43 p.m.) Five 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 Mrs. Hresko. Since there were no other nominations for President, Mr. Hermo made a motion to declare a unanimous ballot for Mrs. Rosalie C. Scheckel as President, seconded by Mr. Piro 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 Mrs. Goodson. Since there were no other nominations for Vice-President, Mr. Griwert made a motion to declare a unanimous ballot for Mr. Sam P. Battaglia as Vice-President, seconded by Mr. Hermo and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mrs. Scheckel thanked the Board for re-electing her to a second term as President.

Mr. Battaglia thanked everyone for their support.

HEARING OF CITIZENS (Resolutions Only):

None

ADOPTION OF SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS:

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 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

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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:

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 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:

Mrs. Goodson presented and moved the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Kucinski:

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.

Mrs. Goodson questioned the procedure for selecting an official newspaper. Mr. Sincaglia explained that a newspaper is selected which has guaranteed circulation in an area, and generally speaking, if a town has a local paper, that paper is designated as the official newspaper.

Mrs. Goodson asked if any consideration had been given to making the Nutley Journal the official newspaper. Mr. Sincaglia replied that before the Nutley Journal could be considered as the official newspaper, he would have to determine if it meets the necessary criteria.

Mrs. Goodson made a motion to table this resolution, seconded by Mr. Rusignuolo. Mr. Rusignuolo then rescinded his second.

Mrs. Scheckel indicated that if the Board decided to vote in favor of this resolution tonight, it could be brought up in the future for discussion.

On a roll call vote the resolution was unanimously adopted.

DEPOSITORY OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SAVINGS ACCOUNTS:

Mrs. Goodson presented and moved the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Hermo. 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 1991/1992 school year for individual student savings accounts to which deposits are made through the elementary schools.

DEPOSITORY OF SCHOOL FUNDS - Nutley Savings Bank:

Mr. Griwert 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 the official depository for the following accounts of the Nutley Board of Education for the 1991/1992 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 6, 1991:

<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

Mr. Piro questioned if the accounts on deposit at Nutley Savings Bank contained substantial amounts of funds. Mr. Sincaglia explained that, at the insistence of officials at Nutley Savings Bank, adjustments were made in the unemployment trust fund account to bring the amount on deposit under \$100,000. The excess monies were put in certificates of deposit at First Fidelity Bank and The Howard Savings Bank.

Mr. Sincaglia further explained that the school accounts have various amounts deposited, probably not more than \$10,000 in any one account. He added that the high school account could reach \$70,000 at times.

Mr. Piro asked what could occur if the amounts on deposit increase. Mr. Sincaglia responded that he is permitted, by Board resolution, to make investments in other banks and would do so if necessary.

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DEPOSITORY OF SCHOOL FUNDS - First Fidelity Bank:

Mr. Griwert 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 1991/1992 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 6, 1991:

Board of Education General AccountPrimary Signatory

Rosalie C. Scheckel, President

John C. Sincaglia, Secretary

David Wilson, Treasurer of
School MoneysAlternate Signatory

Sam P. Battaglia, Vice-President

Jean Unglaub, Manager of Accounts

Board of Education Coupon AccountPrimary Signatory

Rosalie C. Scheckel, President

John C. Sincaglia, Secretary

David Wilson, Treasurer of
School MoneysAlternate Signatory

Sam P. Battaglia, Vice-President

Jean Unglaub, Manager of Accounts

Board of Education Improvement Authorization AccountPrimary Signatory

Rosalie C. Scheckel, President

John C. Sincaglia, Secretary

David Wilson, Treasurer of
School MoneysAlternate Signatory

Sam P. Battaglia, Vice-President

Jean Unglaub, Manager of Accounts

Board of Education Salary Account

John C. Sincaglia, Secretary

David Wilson, Treasurer of
School Moneys

Jean Unglaub, Manager of Accounts

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Board of Education Cash Account

John C. Sincaglia or Jean Unglaub

Board of Education Referendum Savings 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 following resolution, seconded by Mr. Rusignuolo. On a roll call vote the resolution was unanimously adopted:

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:

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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 1991/1992 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 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:

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 & Touche of Morristown, NJ is hereby appointed auditors for the accounts of the Board of Education for the 1991/1992 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. Battaglia. 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 1991/1992 school year.

LEASE OF BOARD PROPERTY ON OVERLOOK TERRACE:

Mr. Kucinski presented and moved the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Hermo. 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, 1991 and terminating April 30, 1992, 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. Battaglia. 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, 1991 and terminating April 30, 1992, 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 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, 1991 and terminating April 30, 1992, 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. Kucinski. On a roll call vote the resolution was unanimously adopted:

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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, 1991 and terminating April 30, 1992, 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:

Mrs. Goodson expressed her concern that equipment approved in the budget be ordered in a timely fashion so that it can be used in the school year for which it is intended.

Mr. Rusignuolo mentioned that he had attended the Wrestling Boosters dinner, and he congratulated everyone involved for doing a fine job.

RESOLUTION TO CLOSE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC:

Mrs. Scheckel asked Mr. Sincaglia to read the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board of Education will be discussing matters exempt from public discussion pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education adjourn to closed executive session at this time, and

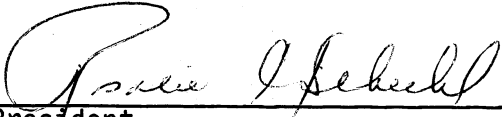
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the results of the discussions will be made public by inclusion on the agenda of a subsequent meeting of the Board of Education, or when the reasons for discussing such matters in closed session no longer exist.

The resolution was moved by Mr. Battaglia, seconded by Mrs. Hresko and unanimously approved by the Board.

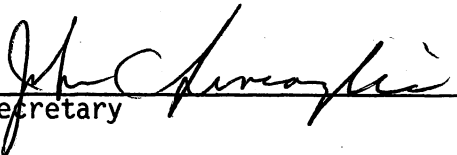
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ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 8:09 p.m.



President



Secretary

5/28/91
Date

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