

The Conference 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 8, 1995 at 7:30 p.m. with Mr. Sam P. Battaglia, President, presiding.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE:

Mr. Battaglia read the following:

"According to the provisions of the 'Open Public Meetings Act' (Chapter 231, P.L. 1975), proper notice of this Conference Meeting was provided in the Annual Notice of May 1, 1995. 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."

CALL OF ROLL:

The members present at roll call were: Mrs. Michele Fleitell, Mr. Charles W. Kucinski, Jr., Mr. Frank Patterson, Mr. Joseph C. Pelaia, Mr. Robert J. Rusignuolo, Mrs. Maria Russo, Mrs. Rosalie C. Scheckel, Mr. Robert Schweikert, Jr. and Mr. Sam P. Battaglia.

1. Dr. Votto introduced Mr. Comune, the Chairman of the Social Studies K-8 Curriculum Committee. Mr. Comune reviewed the charge of the Committee and went over the scope and sequence and main themes of the curriculum. He highlighted the various changes that were being recommended by the Committee.

Comments were made by Mr. Kucinski, Mrs. Scheckel, Mrs. Russo, Mr. Pelaia and Mr. Patterson.

Mr. Kucinski moved that the Board approve the report and place this item on the agenda at the next regular Board meeting, seconded by Mrs. Scheckel and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mrs. Scheckel moved that the Board approve the text, The World Past and Present (East and West), published by MacMillan/McGraw-Hill and place this item on the agenda at the next regular Board meeting, seconded by Mrs. Fleitell and unanimously approved by the Board.

2. Dr. Votto then introduced Mrs. Starace who described the work of the Parenting Committee which sought to foster and strengthen the ties between home and school. Mrs. Starace highlighted the areas of concern that were reviewed by the Committee and noted the valuable interaction that had occurred in the sessions that had been held.

She also noted some of the recommendations of the Committee, in particular the suggestion that P.T.A.'s form subcommittees to pursue issues that are not considered normal P.T.A. business. Other recommendations involved the hiring of elementary school guidance counselors and creation of peer counseling groups.

Comments were made by Mrs. Scheckel, Mrs. Fleitell, Mr. Schweikert and Mrs. Russo.

3. Dr. Fadule reviewed the existing school calendar and suggested that the last day of school be moved from June 23 to June 21. He also presented a suggested promotional calendar for grades K-8.

Mr. Kucinski moved that this item be placed on the agenda at the next regular Board meeting, seconded by Mrs. Scheckel and unanimously approved by the Board.

4. Dr. Fadule announced that there would be a Personnel Committee meeting at 6:45 p.m. on May 22.
5. Dr. Fadule noted that athletic awards would be presented at the next regular meeting of the Board.
6. Mr. Sincaglia commented on upcoming bid and contract items including the roofing bid and contracts for refuse disposal, boiler tube replacement, electrical work and milk.
7. Mr. Sincaglia commented on the third-party natural gas purchasing that the Board would be pursuing in 1995/1996 which, it was hoped, would generate a savings of at least \$8,000.

RESOLUTION TO CLOSE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC:

Mr. Battaglia 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 recess to closed executive session at this time to discuss personnel matters and negotiations, 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. Kucinski, seconded by Mrs. Russo and unanimously approved by the Board.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m.


Secretary

5/22/95
Date