

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, February 26, 1996 at 7:30 p.m. with Mr. Charles W. Kucinski, Jr., Vice President, presiding.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE:

Mr. Kucinski 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. Franklin J. Patterson, Mr. Joseph C. Pelaia, Mr. Robert J. Rusignuolo, Mrs. Maria Russo, Mrs. Rosalie C. Scheckel, Mr. Robert Schweikert, Jr. and Mr. Charles W. Kucinski, Jr. Absent: Mr. Sam P. Battaglia.

1. Dr. Votto presented an addendum item dealing with the receipt of \$1,000 from Special Olympics, New Jersey.

It was agreed to place this item on the agenda at the regular Board meeting.

2. Dr. Votto announced that there would be a workshop on March 26 involving kindergarten teachers.
3. Mr. Sincaglia updated the Board on recent budget information. The district just today received information concerning the pension cost for PERS employees which represented a 90% increase from the current year's cost. As such, it was necessary to add an additional \$22,287 to the PERS portion of the budget, and taxes were increased accordingly to account for the additional revenue needed. The budget would now show an increase of 3.64% but the tax points would not change.

Mr. Sincaglia then reviewed the Cost of Education Index for the 1994-95 school year, noting that while it had not been officially released, he was able to access it through the New Jersey School Boards Association BoardLine computer service. The comparisons between average Essex County districts, other K-12 districts and other socio-economic groups all showed Nutley in a most favorable light.

4. Mr. Sincaglia updated the Board on the impact of the new law concerning school elections, noting that there would be 13 polling places this year, the same ones that are used for primary and general elections. He also commented that the county's estimated cost for the school election was something over \$22,000 and our last year's cost was slightly over \$7,000 which included our public relations mailer that we normally send to each district residence.

RESOLUTION TO CLOSE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC:

Mr. Kucinski 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,

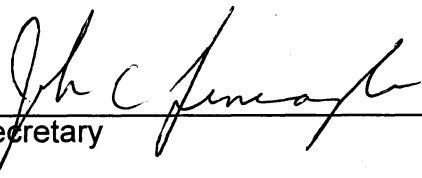
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education adjourn to closed executive session at this time to discuss personnel matters and negotiations, and

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 Mrs. Russo, seconded by Mrs. Scheckel and unanimously approved by the Board.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.


Secretary

3/4/96
Date