Board of Education Nutley, New Jersey

May 27, 1997

The Regular 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 27, 1997 at 8:05 p.m. with Mr. Robert J. Rusignuolo, President, presiding.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF MEETING:

Mr. Rusignuolo read the following:

"According to the provisions of the 'Open Public Meetings Act' (Chapter 231, P.L. 1975), proper notice of this Regular Meeting was provided in the Annual Notice of April 28, 1997. 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.

"Formal action will be taken."

FLAG SALUTE:

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

CALL OF ROLL:

The other members present at roll call were: Mrs. Michele Fleitell, Mr. Vincent Moscaritola, Mr. Franklin J. Patterson, Mr. Joseph C. Pelaia, Mr. Alfred R. Restaino, Jr., Mrs. Maria Russo, Mr. Robert Schweikert, Jr. and Mr. Louis F. Williams. Approximately 150 citizens were present.

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS:

Dr. Votto remarked that this is an evening for prideful recognition of scholars, athletes and coaches who have received critical acclaim at local, regional and state levels for academic and athletic prowess. He noted that these students had done their peers, schools and families proud and we all salute them. Dr. Votto congratulated all the students for their work ethics, adding that they have the discipline to succeed. Dr. Votto added that this is only the beginning for these students and he looks for continued good efforts from them in the future. Miss Hirsch explained that 58 Nutley students participated in the Young Students Talent Search sponsored by Johns Hopkins, adding that this was an off-grade assessment which was designed to measure the abilities of students in eighth and ninth grades. Miss Hirsch further explained that in January, students in fifth and sixth grades participated. She congratulated all the participants and thanked their parents for their support.

Miss Hirsch, Mrs. Fleitell, Chairperson of the Academic Committee, and Mr. Williams presented awards to the following Grade 5 winners of the Johns Hopkins Talent Search:

> Lauren Camar Douglas Carlucci Kyle Chan Peter Cuffari Michael Fleitell Daniel Jamison Jeffrey Klatsky Daryl Lin Paul Little

Nicholas Longo Timothy Maher Fernando Matos-Faro Ryohei Okabe Charles O'Mara Russell Posluszny Morgan Samet Nobel Vale

Miss Hirsch, Mrs. Fleitell and Mr. Rusignuolo presented awards to the following Grade 6 Johns Hopkins Talent Search winners:

> Melanie Baraquio Steven Gumeny Adam Haczyk Rebecca Hasselbrook

Jared Krick Jacqueline Lewis Cherry Ng

Dr. Vivinetto indicated that it is an honor to recognize 18 seventh grade students who won the Johns Hopkins Talent Search, adding that the Hopkins model focuses on exceptional math, verbal or reasoning abilities in the seventh grade test and the results help parents and teachers to identify and foster additional development in the areas in which the students have excelled.

Dr. Vivinetto explained that 39 students qualified to take the test and 35 took the test, which was an outstanding number. He added that the students attained the highest mean scores since 1980, noting that this is the SAT which juniors and seniors take, striving to get above average or average scores. Dr. Vivinetto further indicated that Nutley students had a mean score of 486 for the verbal which was up 49 points since last year and a mean score of 493 in math, which was an increase of 43 points. He added that those students receiving awards this evening received scores above 500.

Dr. Vivinetto, Mrs. Fleitell and Mrs. Russo presented awards to the following seventh grade Johns Hopkins Talent Search winners:

George Abraham Cristina Finetti

John Lampariello Chintan Mehta Rachel Fleitell Alissa Glavan Christopher Jinks Vineetha Joseph Laura Kasakoff Christo Kirov Kiwako Kono Donald Peterson Kristin Pettersson Aaron Pfeifer Jean Rohe Maureen Russo Eileen Sytnyk Kelvin Young

State Award - Invitation to CTY Awards Ceremony

Cristina Finetti Christopher Jinks Laura Kasakoff Christo Kirov Donald Peterson Jean Rohe Maureen Russo

Regional Award - Invitation to CTY Awards Ceremony

Christopher Jinks

Mr. Cocchiola noted that it is a pleasure to honor outstanding athletes and he commended the Board of Education for honoring these outstanding athletes this evening. He congratulated the students present this evening and wished them success in future endeavors. Mr. Cocchiola also congratulated their parents, teachers and coaches. He then introduced Mr. Joseph Affinito, the district's new Athletic Director.

Mr. Affinito, Mr. Schweikert and Mr. George Ackerman presented the following bowling awards:

Nicole Cibelli	-	1st Team NNJIL
Krista Cerniglia	-	1st Team NNJIL
Shaun Mayer	-	1st Team NNJIL
Robert Hill	-	1st Team NNJIL

Mr. Affinito, Mr. Moscaritola and Miss Anna Melnyk presented the following girls basketball award:

Kimberly DiVincenzo - 1st Team NNJIL

Mr. Affinito, Mr. Moscaritola and Mr. Carmen Lore presented the following wrestling awards:

David DeDolce	-	1st Team NNJIL - District Champion
Louie Montes	-	1st Team NNJIL - District Champion
Dante Cifelli	-	1st Team NNJIL - Super Region Champion
Nicholas Bellucci	-	District Champion
Richard Stellato	-	District Champion

Mr. Affinito, Mr. Pelaia, Chairman of the Athletic Committee, Mr. Restaino and Mr. Carmen Mancuso presented the following rifle awards:

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1997 Rifle Team NJIRL League Champions NJ State Champions

Peter Bimbi Robert Cavallo Dennis Collins Joseph Dang Michael DeFeo Eirek Gumeney Robert Heiser Susan Jankowski William Jernick Kristen Lowrey Matthew Maichuk Justin Megaro John Mellito Jenny Swistok Viviana Tabares Mauro Tucci Jacqueline VanEtten Christopher Villani Daniel Wasilewski

Mr. Affinito congratulated the athletes on a job well done and thanked the Board of Education for its support of athletics.

Mr. Rusignuolo thanked everyone for coming out this evening and then thanked everyone who had participated in distributing the awards for their assistance.

RECESS MEETING:

Mr. Rusignuolo recessed the meeting at 8:32 p.m.

RESUME MEETING:

The meeting resumed at 8:37 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Copies of the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on April 14, 1997 at 8:00 p.m. being in the hands of each member, reading of same was dispensed. Mrs. Fleitell moved that the minutes be approved, seconded by Mr. Patterson and unanimously approved by the Board.

Copies of the minutes of the Special Meeting held on April 28, 1997 at 7:30 p.m. being in the hands of each member, reading of same was dispensed. Mrs. Fleitell moved that the minutes be approved, seconded by Mr. Patterson and unanimously approved by the Board.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Mr. Sincaglia presented and read the following communications:

1. A thank-you note from Toby D'Ambola for the Board's expression of sympathy on the death of his father.

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- 2. A memorandum from the Township of Millburn regarding a resolution they adopted urging the legislature to place on the 1997 state ballot a proposed amendment to the state constitution calling for an Initiative and Referendum process dealing with campaign finance reform, ethics and election law.
- 3. A letter and resolution from the Pompton Lakes Board of Education regarding school funding.
 - A memorandum from Mr. Rusignuolo, Nominating Committee Chair, Essex County School Boards Association, advising that the election of officers for the forthcoming year would take place on May 15, 1997.
- 5. A notice from the Essex County School Boards Association of its Spring Dinner Meeting held on May 15, 1997.

Mr. Sincaglia noted that at that meeting Mr. Pelaia was installed as its President.

Mr. Rusignuolo congratulated Mr. Pelaia on his election as President of the Essex County School Boards Association, adding that Mr. Pelaia had served as Vice-President in two different capacities and now will lead the Essex County School Boards Association.

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

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Mr. Sincaglia presented the Report of the Secretary as of April 30, 1997. (See attached report.)

Mrs. Russo moved that the Board accept the Report of the Secretary, seconded by Mr. Moscaritola. On a roll call vote the resolution was unanimously adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Mr. Sincaglia presented the Report of the Treasurer of School Moneys as of April 30, 1997. (See attached report.)

Mr. Pelaia moved that the Board accept the Report of the Treasurer of School Moneys, seconded by Mr. Moscaritola. On a roll call vote the resolution was unanimously adopted.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Dr. Votto presented and read the following report:

"Comments pertaining to the end of the year school activities

District Reading Tests (Gr. 1-8)	May	28
District Math Tests (Gr. 1-8)	May	29

"Attached is the student enrollment chart as of April 30, 1997."

FIRE DRILL REPORT:

Fire drills held during the month of April were as follows:

April	2	Yantacaw School	2:39 p.m.	1 min. 40 secs.
April	3	Lincoln School	11:00 a.m.	1 min. 27 secs.
April	3	Radcliffe School	2:25 p.m.	1 min. 17 secs.
April	3	Spring Garden School	10:45 a.m.	1 min. 20 secs.
April	4	Franklin School	8:45 a.m.	1 min. 40 secs.
April	4	Lincoln School	11:00 a.m.	1 min. 14 secs.
April	4	Washington School	10:04 a.m.	1 min. 27 secs.
April	7	Radcliffe School	11:06 a.m.	1 min. 18 secs.
April	7	Washington School	2:10 p.m.	1 min. 26 secs.
April	. 7	Yantacaw School	9:25 a.m.	1 min. 30 secs.
April	11	Nutley High School	9:23 a.m.	1 min. 45 secs.
April	16	Spring Garden School	8:43 a.m.	1 min. 30 secs.
April	29	Franklin School	1:30 p.m.	1 min. 49 secs.
April	29	Nutley High School	1:57 p.m.	1 min. 59 secs.

CAFETERIA REPORT:

Mr. Pelaia presented the cafeteria report as of April 30, 1997 showing a 1996/1997 budget of \$613,018.00, contractual orders to date of \$493,833.92, leaving funds available of \$119,184.08.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Mr. Rusignuolo noted that committee assignments were made at a previous Conference meeting and some of the committees have already met.

Mr. Williams indicated that the Budget Committee met earlier this evening with Nutley Business People in Advancement of Technology in Education. He explained that they had submitted their initial proposal for the Committee's review and it deals with the potential establishment of an endowment where funds could be made available for the school system for technology to be used in the classroom.

Mrs. Russo noted that the Policy Committee met to review mandated policies regarding weapons, the first reading of said policies to take place tonight.

Mr. Rusignuolo mentioned that the Personnel Committee met and some of its actions will be reflected in some of the items being approved this evening.

HEARING OF CITIZENS (Resolutions Only):

<u>Mr. Rory Moore</u>, 22 Essex Street, regarding resolution #8, Extra Compensation, asked what function Mr. Cocchiola performed on the Technology Committee to warrant the payment to him of \$165. Dr. Votto responded that his contribution would focus on the kinds of things needed for technology implementation at the high school. Mr. Moore then asked if Mr. Cocchiola should not have been listed under payment for right to know training. Mr. Sincaglia replied in the negative, adding that the training was for people with potential exposure to hazardous substances in the work place such as industrial arts and art teachers and custodians, adding that the law requires this training to take place on paid time. Dr. Votto remarked that there would be a full report to the Board from the Technology Committee in mid to late June.

CERTIFICATION OF MAJOR ACCOUNT FUND STATUS:

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That, pursuant to NJAC 6:20-2.13(e), the Nutley Board of Education certifies that as of April 30, 1997, after review of the Secretary's monthly financial report (Appropriations section) and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, to the best of its knowledge no major account or fund has been overexpended in violation of NJAC 6:20-2.13(b) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year. (Major accounts are General Fund and Debt Service.)

BILLS AND MANDATORY PAYMENTS:

Mr. Moscaritola presented and moved the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Mrs. Fleitell. Upon being put to a roll call vote the resolution was adopted with Mrs. Fleitell, Mr. Moscaritola, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Pelaia, Mrs. Russo, Mr. Schweikert, Mr. Williams and Mr. Rusignuolo voting aye and Mr. Restaino abstaining: BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education authorizes the payment of bills and mandatory payments in the total amount of \$3,142,599.65 as per the attached Schedule A which have been audited by the Business Office.

REQUESTS FOR USE OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS:

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education approves the requests for the use of school buildings and grounds (Schedule B), provided they conform to the rules and regulations set by the Board of Education.

RETIREMENT - Fine and Industrial Arts Department Chairperson:

Mr. Joseph Mattiucci

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education accepts the retirement of Mr. Joseph Mattiucci, Fine and Industrial Arts Chairperson, effective July 1, 1997.

APPOINTMENT - Professional Staff:

Mr. James Mauro

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education appoints Mr. James Mauro as a guidance counselor for the 1997/ 1998 school year, effective September 1, 1997, at M.A.+30-Max. in accordance with the 1997/1998 Teachers' Salary Guide.

The above-referenced salary guide is identified as that which will be adopted upon conclusion of salary negotiations.

APPOINTMENTS - Teacher Substitutes:

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the teacher substitutes listed on the attached Schedule C be approved for the 1996/1997 school year.

APPOINTMENTS - Substitutes:

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the following substitutes be approved for the 1996/1997 school year:

Clerical/School Aide

Corinne DeGennaro Geralynn Dwyer

School Aide

Shahin Pourandokht (Poury)

Custodial

Thomas Conlon Brian Layden

<u>Secretarial</u>

Deborah Bellucci

EXTRA COMPENSATION:

Mrs. Fleitell presented and moved the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Moscaritola. Upon being put to a roll call vote the resolution was adopted with Mrs. Fleitell, Mr. Moscaritola, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Pelaia, Mr. Restaino, Mr. Schweikert, Mr. Williams and Mr. Rusignuolo voting aye and Mrs. Russo abstaining:

BE IT RESOLVED, That the following personnel be paid extra compensation in the amounts indicated for services rendered:

Curriculum Development Committee Meetings

Critical Thinking - April 5, 1997

Theresa Barbagallo Carol Bender	\$123.88 123.88
Robyn Burns Lori Ann Cassie	123.88 123.88
Donna Cocco	123.88
Sally Ann Marino Ryder	123.88
Michele Syme	123.88
Jenifer Wilson	_123.88

Total

\$991.04

123.

Technology Implementation - March 8, 1997

George Ackerman Joseph Affinito Beverly Apple John Calicchio Denise Cleary Rosemary Clerico Mario Cocchiola Carmine D'Aloia Linda Fisher Jainine Gambaro Scott Keena Nancy Kehayes Arlene Orenstein Stephen Parigi Bernice Paschal Sharon Reed Lorraine Restel Andrew Retz Kathleen Serafino Carol Shepherd JoAnn Tropiano Carol VanWagenen Zelda Walch	\$ 123.88 123.88 123.88 165.80 123.88 165.80 165.80 165.80 123.88

Total

\$3,037.64

\$3,035.76

Compositional Writing - April 12, 1997

Total

124.

Getting Ready for the Fourth Grade Test in Science - IKE Grant - April 12, 1997

Rachel Daly Janet Jelenski Elaine Karsnak Valerie Martin Marcy McKenzie Claire Menza Florence Meyers Arlene Nardiello Carol Perrone Valerie Sautter		\$	123.88 123.88 123.88 123.88 123.88 123.88 123.88 123.88 123.88 123.88 123.88
	Total	\$1	,238.80

Elementary School Proficiency Assessment (ESPA) -May 1, 1997

Christine Crisson Rachel Daly Katherine Franks Joyce Healy Valerie Martin Marcy McKenzie Claire Menza Florence Meyers Arlene Nardiello Carey Rebecca Olivo Carol Perrone Valerie Sautter	$ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
Total	\$503.32

CAT Program Payroll for Winter 1997 Session

Edward Annett Amy Cerisano Laura Curry Nicole Errante	\$ 867.16 1,424.62 1,378.17 1,687.87
Barbara Hirsch Frank Libert	1,691.34 1,796.26
Camille Lofrano	1,300.74
Carmen Mancuso	1,734.32
Christopher Masullo	1,238.80
Dennis Pandolfi	1,455.59
Mary Peele	1,734.32
Harry Reddington	1,703.35
Louis SanGiovanni	1,904.66
Sherrie Tolve	1,440.11
Robert Topolski	1,858.20
Ciro Violante	1,610.44
Frank Zintl	1,858.20
Ellen Ziobro	1,796.26

<u>Substitutes</u>

Caroline Evangelista Miriam Kirsten Karen SanGiovanni		\$	495.52 991.04 123.88
	Total	.\$30	0,090.85

Special Olympics Bowling Program - March 6, 13, 20, 27, April 3, 10, 1997

Becky Pandolfi Deborah Pastena Phillip Siculietano		\$300.00 300.00 <u>300.00</u>
	Total	\$900.00

Right to Know Training Meeting - March 10, 31, 1997

Total

\$1,600.44

Central Detention Coverage - March and April, 1997

High School

Jeri Cohn	\$ 67.16
Toby D'Ambola	67.16
William Farkas	67.16
Carol Shepherd	· 285.43

Franklin School

Sergio Fernandez Patrick Keating Christopher Masullo Becky Pandolfi Mary Peele	• • • • • • •	33.58 268.64 235.06 16.79 16.79
	Total	\$1,057.77
Saturday Morning Suspe	ensions - Mar	<u>ch, 1997</u>
High School		
Carol Shepherd		\$70.17
<u>Classroom Coverage - A</u>	<u>pril 1, 1997</u>	
Thomas Cusick Rita O'Neill Wilson Lawrence Tuorto		\$22.79 22.79 _45.58
	Total	\$91.16
Winter In-Service Course January 15, 22, April 2, 8		Computer II

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Carol VanWagenen

\$402.70

Intramurals - April 1-30, 1997

Christopher Chern William Farkas Kenneth Ferriol Thomas Grant Daniel Kimberley Edmund Olson Janice Schoem Diane Williams		\$	192.08 120.05 120.05 168.07 120.05 168.07 72.03 264.11
	Total	\$1	,224.51

TUITION REIMBURSEMENT:

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

> BE IT RESOLVED, That, in accordance with an existing employment agreement, the following receive reimbursement for tuition expenses:

> > Marcy McKenzie \$355

APPOINTMENT - Summer School Director:

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That Mrs. MaryLou Dowse be appointed Director for the 1997 Summer School program.

APPOINTMENTS - Summer Employment:

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the following personnel be permitted to work during the summer of 1997 as follows:

Mrs. JoAnn Tropiano	-	High School Librarian 1 week
Mrs. Suzanne Peters	-	Secretary (High School Athletic Department) 1 week
Mr. Joseph Affinito	-	High School Athletic Department 2 weeks

REAPPOINTMENTS - Buildings and Grounds Personnel:

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

> BE IT RESOLVED, That the buildings and grounds personnel listed on the attached Schedule D be reappointed for the 1997/ 1998 school year at the salaries indicated in accordance with the 1997/1998 Buildings and Grounds Salary Guide.

REAPPOINTMENTS - Cafeteria Personnel:

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the cafeteria personnel listed on the attached Schedule E be reappointed for the 1997/1998 school year at the salaries indicated in accordance with the 1997/1998 Cafeteria Salary Guide.

REAPPOINTMENTS - Transportation Personnel:

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the transportation personnel listed on the attached Schedule F be reappointed for the 1997/1998 school year at the salaries indicated in accordance with the 1996-1999 Transportation Agreement.

SPECIAL CLASS PLACEMENT - Educationally Disabled Students:

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education authorizes the attendance of students at Special Education classes for the 1996/1997 school year as follows:

<u>School</u>	No. of <u>Students</u>	Classification	Effective Date	Tuition
Windsor School Pompton Lakes, N	1 NJ	NI	5/5/97	\$5,640.65
Windsor School Pompton Lakes, I	1 NJ	PI	5/19/97	\$4,116.15

JOINT TRANSPORTATION AGREEMENT:

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Nutley Board of Education approves a Joint Transportation Agreement with the Clifton Board of Education to provide transportation for one Special Education student from Nutley to Essex High School, Clifton, NJ on Clifton bus route #EHS, effective May 14, 1997 through June 30, 1997 at a cost to the Nutley Board of Education of \$45 per day. (Subject to approval of the County Superintendent of Schools.)

JOINT TRANSPORTATION AGREEMENTS:

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Nutley Board of Education approves the following Joint Transportation Agreements with the Bloomfield Board of Education to provide transportation for Special Education students from Bloomfield to various schools, effective July 1, 1997 through August 8, 1997. (Subject to approval of the County Superintendent of Schools:

Nutley <u>Route No.</u>	No. of <u>Students</u>	School	Cost Per Diem
12sum	1	Children's Institute Livingston, NJ	\$ 29.00
15sum	1	Midland School North Branch, NJ	\$105.00

PLACEMENT OF STUDENTS - Vocational Education:

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

> BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education approves tuition contracts* with the Essex County Vocational Schools for regular and Special Education students for the 1997/1998 school year as follows:

4 Regular Students		@ \$1,350 per student (Estimated)			5,400		
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4 Special Education Students @ \$7,000 per student <u>28,000</u> (Estimated)

Total \$33,400

*Subject to adjustment based on actual enrollment.

APPROVAL OF CURRICULUM PROGRAM:

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

> BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education approves the integrated math, transition math and pre-algebra courses presented at the May 12, 1997 conference session.

Mrs. Russo commended the excellent job done by both committees in their presentations at the last Conference meeting.

APPROVAL OF CURRICULUM PROGRAM:

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

> BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education approves the K-8 Reading Curriculum presented at the May 12, 1997 conference session.

TEXTBOOK APPROVAL:

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education approves the use of the following textbooks:

Mathematics

<u>Math Matters Book I</u> Lynch & Olmstead Publisher, South-Western Publishing Company, 1997, Cincinnati, Ohio

<u>Math Matters Book II</u> Lynch & Olmstead Publisher, South-Western Publishing Company, 1997, Cincinnati, Ohio</u>

APPROVAL OF CAFETERIA CALENDAR - 1997/1998 School Year:

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education adopts the following attached calendar for the 1997/1998 school year:

Cafeteria Calendar

Schedule G

NEW JERSEY STATE INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION:

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education continue its membership in the New Jersey State Interscholastic Athletic Association for the 1997/1998 school year.

TRANSFER OF FUNDS:

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

> BE IT RESOLVED, That transfers in the 1996/1997 General Fund budget be confirmed as follows:

From	
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Account 11-140-100-101 Account 11-190-100-640 Account 11-212-100-640	\$ 5,000 5,000 200
Account 11-212-100-800	100
Account 11-215-100-106	5,000
Account 11-220-100-106	7,500
Account 11-230-100-101	1,500
Account 11-402-100-100	4,000
Account 11-407-100-600	2,000
Account 11-407-100-800	2,000
Account 11-999-100-565	5,000
Account 11-999-100-566	20,000
Account 11-999-218-105	12,000
Account 11-999-221-102	3,000
Account 11-999-222-600	6,000
Account 11-999-230-331	5,000
Account 11-999-230-590	8,000
Account 11-999-240-104	4,120

Account 11-204-100-106 S 500 Account 11-205-100-101 1,800 Account 11-213-100-101 700 Account 11-215-100-101 300 Account 11-218-100-640 20 Account 11-402-100-500 1,500 Account 11-999-213-100 500 Account 11-999-218-800 100 Account 11-999-221-105 500 Account 11-999-221-500 1.500 Account 11-999-270-512 1.000 Account 11-999-290-100 800 Account 12-999-270-733 49,500 Account 12-999-270-734 36,700

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\$95,420

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RENEWAL OF BOILER TUBE REPLACEMENT CONTRACT:

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

> WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-42h provides for the yearly renewal, for a period not exceeding three years, without further solicitation of bids, of contracts for the supplying of "materials, supplies or services that are required on a recurring basis from year to year," and

WHEREAS, the Board finds that the service provided by Detailed Heating Inc., the low bidder for the 1996/1997 school year for boiler tube replacement, continues to meet the original specifications.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education renews the contract with Detailed Heating Inc. of Clark, NJ for boiler tube replacement for the Nutley School System for the 1997/1998 school year.

RENEWAL OF MILK AND MILK PRODUCTS CONTRACT:

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

> WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-42h provides for the yearly renewal, for a period not exceeding three years, without further solicitation of bids, of contracts for the supplying of "materials, supplies or services that are required on a recurring basis from year to year," and

WHEREAS, the Board finds that the milk and milk products supplied by Hilltop Dairy Incorporated, the low bidder for the 1995/1996 school year, continue to meet the original specifications,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education renews the contract with Hilltop Dairy Incorporated, Hawthorne, NJ for furnishing milk and milk products to the Nutley School System for the 1997/1998 school year.

FIRM TRANSPORTATION GAS DELIVERY BIDS:

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

WHEREAS, bids for firm transportation gas deliveries were advertised on April 3, 1997, and

WHEREAS, sealed bids were publicly opened and read aloud on April 17, 1997 at 2:00 p.m. in the office of the Secretary/ Business Administrator, and

WHEREAS, the following bids were received in the following amounts:

	Price per MMBTU
Lewis Dreyfuss Wilton, CN	\$3.16
Energis-Resources Inc. Edison, NJ	\$3.225
Gas Mark Wyomissing, PA	\$3.072
Global Petroleum Corp. Waltham, MA	\$3.23
Norstar Energy, LP Montvale, NJ	\$3.07

PanEnergy Trading & Marketing Services, LLC Houston, TX	\$3.15
South Jersey Energy Co. Folsom, NJ	\$3.225
Utilicorp Energy Solutions Inc. Kansas City, MO	\$3.65

and

WHEREAS, the bid of Norstar Energy, LP appears to meet all specifications,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education awards the contract for firm transportation gas delivery to Norstar Energy, LP, Montvale, NJ at their low bid price of \$3.07 per MMBTU.

BIDS FOR ATHLETIC EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES FOR THE 1997/ 1998 SCHOOL YEAR:

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

> WHEREAS, sealed bids for athletic equipment and supplies for the 1997/1998 school year were publicly opened and read aloud on May 15, 1997 at 11:00 a.m. in the office of the Secretary of the Board of Education, and

WHEREAS, attached as per Schedule H is a list of those companies that submitted said bids,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education hereby concurs in the action of its Secretary in awarding contracts to the lowest bidders, provided the items requested met or were equal to specifications.

ELECTRICAL BIDS:

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

WHEREAS, sealed bids for electrical work for the 1997/1998 school year were publicly opened and read aloud on May 21, 1997 at 11:00 a.m. in the office of the Secretary of the Board of Education, and

WHEREAS, the following bid was received in the following amounts:

Positive Electric Co. Nutley, NJ \$40 per hour for licensed electrician\$28 per hour for electrician's helper5% mark up on materials

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the bid be awarded to Positive Electric Co., Nutley, NJ at their bid price of \$40 per hour for licensed electrician, \$28 per hour for electrician's helper and 5% mark up on materials for electrical work in the Nutley public school facilities for the 1997/1998 school year.

TESTIMONIAL - Principal:

Miss Rosemarie DiGeronimo

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

WHEREAS, Miss Rosemarie DiGeronimo has tendered her resignation as Washington School Principal, effective July 1, 1997 and has signified her intention of retiring from active service, and

WHEREAS, Miss DiGeronimo has served as teacher and principal in the Nutley Public Schools for a period of thirtythree years, and

WHEREAS, through the years Miss DiGeronimo has exemplified the finest qualities of her profession at all times,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education expresses to Miss DiGeronimo its deep appreciation of her long and faithful service and extends to her its best wishes for continued health and happiness, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be made a part of the minutes of this meeting and a copy presented to Miss DiGeronimo.

Dr. Votto indicated that Miss DiGeronimo had made many committee reports to the Board over the years, adding that her strong convictions, caring demeanor and dedicated, hard work would be sorely missed.

TESTIMONIAL - Administrator:

Mr. Joseph Mattiucci

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

WHEREAS, Mr. Joseph Mattiucci has tendered his resignation as Nutley High School Fine and Industrial Arts Department Head, effective July 1, 1997 and has signified his intention of retiring from active service, and WHEREAS, Mr. Mattiucci has served as a teacher and Fine and Industrial Arts Department Head in the Nutley Public Schools for a period of forty years, and

WHEREAS, through the years Mr. Mattiucci has exemplified the finest qualities of his profession at all times,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education expresses to Mr. Mattiucci its deep appreciation of his long and faithful service and extends to him its best wishes for continued health and happiness, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be made a part of the minutes of this meeting and a copy presented to Mr. Mattiucci.

Dr. Votto remarked that Mr. Mattiucci had given 40 years of dedicated service and his task orientations were unmatched by anyone and once given a job, he followed through. Dr. Votto added that Mr. Mattiucci would also be missed.

TESTIMONIAL - Guidance Counselor: Mrs. Mary Jane Emde

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

WHEREAS, Mrs. Mary Jane Emde has tendered her resignation as high school guidance counselor, effective July 1, 1997 and has signified her intention of retiring from active service, and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Emde has served as a business teacher and guidance counselor in the Nutley Public Schools for a period of twenty-nine years, and

WHEREAS, through the years Mrs. Emde has exemplified the finest qualities of her profession at all times,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education expresses to Mrs. Emde its deep appreciation of her long and faithful service and extends to her its best wishes for continued health and happiness, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be made a part of the minutes of this meeting and a copy presented to Mrs. Emde.

Dr. Votto noted that Mrs. Emde was kind, compassionate and caring and we will miss her cooperative demeanor.

TESTIMONIAL - Teacher:

Mrs. Ann Beaton

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

WHEREAS, Mrs. Ann Beaton has tendered her resignation as elementary school teacher, effective July 1, 1997 and has signified her intention of retiring from active service, and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Beaton has taught in the Nutley Public Schools for a period of forty-one years, and

WHEREAS, through the years Mrs. Beaton has exemplified the finest qualities of the teaching profession at all times,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education expresses to Mrs. Beaton its deep appreciation of her long and faithful service and extends to her its best wishes for continued health and happiness, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be made a part of the minutes of this meeting and a copy presented to Mrs. Beaton.

Dr. Votto remarked that Mrs. Beaton had given 41 years of dedicated service and was a caring person. He added that we will miss her.

TESTIMONIAL - Teacher:

Mrs. Eleanor R. Behr

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

WHEREAS, Mrs. Eleanor R. Behr has tendered her resignation as elementary school teacher, effective July 1, 1997 and has signified her intention of retiring from active service, and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Behr has taught in the Nutley Public Schools for a period of thirty-seven years, and

WHEREAS, through the years Mrs. Behr has exemplified the finest qualities of the teaching profession at all times,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education expresses to Mrs. Behr its deep appreciation of her long and faithful service and extends to her its best wishes for continued health and happiness, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be made a part of the minutes of this meeting and a copy presented to Mrs. Behr.

Dr. Votto stated that Mrs. Behr was a consummate professional whose demeanor provided a role model for everyone associated with her and she will be missed.

TESTIMONIAL - Teacher:

Miss Florence Carpenter

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

> WHEREAS, Miss Florence Carpenter has tendered her resignation as elementary school teacher, effective July 1, 1997 and has signified her intention of retiring from active service, and

WHEREAS, Miss Carpenter has taught in the Nutley Public Schools for a period of thirty-one years, and

WHEREAS, through the years Miss Carpenter has exemplified the finest qualities of the teaching profession at all times,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education expresses to Miss Carpenter its deep appreciation of her long and faithful service and extends to her its best wishes for continued health and happiness, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be made a part of the minutes of this meeting and a copy presented to Miss Carpenter.

Dr. Votto noted that there is no better tribute from a Board member than that given as a former student. He added that Miss Carpenter is leaving a wonderful legacy and we will miss her greatly.

<u>TESTIMONIAL - Teacher:</u>

Mrs. Lillian M. Domenick

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

> WHEREAS, Mrs. Lillian M. Domenick has tendered her resignation as elementary school teacher, effective July 1, 1997 and has signified her intention of retiring from active service, and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Domenick has taught in the Nutley Public Schools for a period of thirty years, and

WHEREAS, through the years Mrs. Domenick has exemplified the finest qualities of the teaching profession at all times,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education expresses to Mrs. Domenick its deep appreciation of her long and faithful service and extends to her its best wishes for continued health and happiness, and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be made a part of the minutes of this meeting and a copy presented to Mrs. Domenick.

Mr. Williams remarked that two of his children had Mrs. Domenick at Spring Garden School and were indeed well served by her.

TESTIMONIAL - Teacher:

Mrs. Kathryn Peterson

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

> WHEREAS, Mrs. Kathryn Peterson has tendered her resignation as elementary school teacher, effective July 1, 1997 and has signified her intention of retiring from active service, and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Peterson has taught in the Nutley Public Schools for a period of thirty-five years, and

WHEREAS, through the years Mrs. Peterson has exemplified the finest qualities of the teaching profession at all times,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education expresses to Mrs. Peterson its deep appreciation of her long and faithful service and extends to her its best wishes for continued health and happiness, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be made a part of the minutes of this meeting and a copy presented to Mrs. Peterson.

Mr. Williams noted that his four children had benefitted from her exemplary service. Dr. Votto commended her musical knowledge and related studies, adding that we will sorely miss her.

TESTIMONIAL - Teacher:

Mrs. Gertrude Reddington

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

WHEREAS, Mrs. Gertrude Reddington has tendered her resignation as elementary school teacher, effective July 1, 1997 and has signified her intention of retiring from active service, and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Reddington has taught in the Nutley Public Schools for a period of twenty-two years, and

WHEREAS, through the years Mrs. Reddington has exemplified the finest qualities of the teaching profession at all times,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education expresses to Mrs. Reddington its deep appreciation of her long and faithful service and extends to her its best wishes for continued health and happiness, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be made a part of the minutes of this meeting and a copy presented to Mrs. Reddington.

Dr. Votto commented that we will certainly miss Mrs. Reddington's professionalism as a teacher and colleague.

TESTIMONIAL - Teacher:

Mrs. Carol VanWagenen

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

> WHEREAS, Mrs. Carol VanWagenen has tendered her resignation as elementary school teacher, effective July 1, 1997 and has signified her intention of retiring from active service, and

WHEREAS, Mrs. VanWagenen has taught in the Nutley Public Schools for a period of twenty-nine years, and

WHEREAS, through the years Mrs. VanWagenen has exemplified the finest qualities of the teaching profession at all times,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education expresses to Mrs. VanWagenen its deep appreciation of her long and faithful service and extends to her its best wishes for continued health and happiness, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be made a part of the minutes of this meeting and a copy presented to Mrs. VanWagenen.

Dr. Votto stated that Mrs. VanWagenen's dedication, expertise and cooperative demeanor will be missed, adding that there are gaping holes to fill in the coming weeks and months at Washington School.

TESTIMONIAL - Teacher:

Mrs. Zelda S. Walch

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

> WHEREAS, Mrs. Zelda S. Walch has tendered her resignation as elementary school librarian, effective July 1, 1997 and has signified her intention of retiring from active service, and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Walch has served as a teacher and librarian in the Nutley Public Schools for a period of thirty-five years, and WHEREAS, through the years Mrs. Walch has exemplified the finest qualities of the teaching profession at all times,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education expresses to Mrs. Walch its deep appreciation of her long and faithful service and extends to her its best wishes for continued health and happiness, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be made a part of the minutes of this meeting and a copy presented to Mrs. Walch.

Dr. Votto indicated that Mrs. Walch's wit and love of Nutley were ever present and he wished her very well in the future.

TESTIMONIAL - Secretary:

Mrs. Catherine Kneser

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

WHEREAS, Mrs. Catherine Kneser has tendered her resignation as business office secretary, effective July 1, 1997 and has signified her intention of retiring from active service, and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Kneser has worked in the Nutley Public Schools for a period of fifteen years, and

WHEREAS, through the years Mrs. Kneser has exemplified the finest qualities of the secretarial profession at all times,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education expresses to Mrs. Kneser its deep appreciation of her long and faithful service and extends to her its best wishes for continued health and happiness, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be made a part of the minutes of this meeting and a copy presented to Mrs. Kneser.

Dr. Votto related a brief vignette regarding Mrs. Kneser and the new auto attendant phone system, whereby she had been of help and very supportive to a caller, adding that this spoke volumes about Mrs. Kneser. He added that she will be missed.

TESTIMONIAL - Instructional Aide:

Mrs. Christine Pecora

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

WHEREAS, Mrs. Christine Pecora has tendered her resignation as instructional aide, effective July 1, 1997 and has signified her intention of retiring from active service, and WHEREAS, Mrs. Pecora has worked in the Nutley Public Schools for a period of fifteen years, and

WHEREAS, through the years Mrs. Pecora has exemplified the finest qualities as instructional aide at all times,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education expresses to Mrs. Pecora its deep appreciation of her long and faithful service and extends to her its best wishes for continued health and happiness, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be made a part of the minutes of this meeting and a copy presented to Mrs. Pecora.

Dr. Votto indicated that Mrs. Pecora was a wonderful paraprofessional and he wished her well.

APPOINTMENT - Fine and Industrial Arts Chairperson:

Mr. George Ackerman

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

> BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education approves the appointment of Mr. George Ackerman as Fine and Industrial Arts Chairperson for the 1997/1998 school year, effective September 1, 1997, at the annual salary of \$76,796, M.A.+30-6, plus \$4,300 longevity, in accordance with the 1997/1998 Principals and Supervisors Salary Guide.

APPOINTMENT - Clerk/Typist:

Mrs. Immacolata Marra

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education approves the appointment of Mrs. Immacolata Marra as a ten-month clerk/typist, effective May 28, 1997, at the annual salary of \$15,937 (Step 7), which is in accordance with the 1996/1997 Secretarial Salary Guide.

APPOINTMENT - Special Education Team Leader - High School: Mr. Robert Topolski

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education approves the appointment of Mr. Robert Topolski as Special Education Team Leader - High School for the 1997/1998 school year, effective September 1, 1997, at the annual stipend of \$3,075.

APPROVAL OF JOINT PURCHASING AGREEMENT:

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

> BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-11, approves a joint purchasing agreement with the Pittsgrove Township Board of Education for the purpose of purchasing paper, materials and supplies for the 1997/1998 school year.

ADOPTION OF POLICIES (First Reading):

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education adopts the following policies (first reading):

Policy #545 (5611) Removal of Pupils from Regular Education Program for Weapons/ Firearms Violations

Schedule I

Policy #820 (8467) Weapons

Schedule J

APPROVAL OF PROPERTY ACCESS AGREEMENT:

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education approves the Property Access Agreement with L. Vitillo, Inc. and Environmental Constructors, Inc. concerning Board of Education property located at 37 Reverend Roberts Place (Warehouse).

HEARING OF CITIZENS:

<u>Mrs. Joan Rubino</u>, 48 North Road, complimented Mr. Schweikert on the new Board table arrangement, adding that it is an improvement. She also complimented Mr. Schweikert on the statement he had made at the Organization Meeting of the Board on April 28, stating that she hoped other Board members would follow suit and get out of a rubber stamp mode. Mrs. Rubino asked if Mr. Restaino owned Midtown Sporting Goods. Mr. Restaino replied that he does own Midtown Sports. He explained that the reason he had abstained during the vote on the bill list was that there was a \$27 expenditure listed for Midtown Sports for an item that was invoiced in February of this year prior to his election to the Board. He noted that this was a competitive bid item which was awarded to his firm. Mr. Restaino noted that any and all business dealings with the Board by Midtown have been severed.

Mrs. Rubino distributed copies of informational material related to monies paid to Mr. SanFillipo for his work on the intramural program. She asked why the Board is spending so much money for this program while Mr. SanFillipo only teaches three periods a day. She added that as Board members they should start to ask questions about monies expended on this program.

Mrs. Russo asked Mrs. Rubino who had written the third page of her hand out. Mrs. Rubino replied that this was a copy she had made of the contract she was shown when she went to the Superintendent's office.

<u>Dr. Steven Greco</u>, 248 Vreeland Avenue, asked if he would receive the apology from Coach Gargiulo which he had requested several months ago. He then read the response the Board's attorney had written regarding a letter his attorney had sent concerning this situation. He also read the response of his attorney to Cherie Maxwell's (the Board's attorney) letter, adding that Ms. Maxwell's response was not satisfactory. Dr. Greco added that he would like a written formal reprimand sent to Mr. Gargiulo and would like to receive a written, formal apology.

Dr. Greco further noted that Dr. Votto had told him that Mr. Gargiulo was wrong and his questions are: will he receive a public apology from Mr. Gargiulo; does the Board believe that Mr. Gargiulo would have done such a thing to anyone else. Dr. Greco indicated that he was embarrassed in front of baseball players that he knows personally and asked again if he would receive an apology. Mr. Rusignuolo responded that the matter has been appropriately addressed and no further action is required.

Dr. Greco noted that he was not satisfied with Mr. Rusignuolo's response. Mr. Rusignuolo stated that the matter is now in the hands of the attorneys and we have no further comment, adding that on advice of counsel we will have nothing further to say.

Mr. Moore questioned what time a caucus meeting starts. Mr. Rusignuolo replied that the starting time is that which is advertised. Mr. Sincaglia remarked that the normal starting time is 7:30 p.m. but tonight's starting time was changed to 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Moore asked several questions concerning telephone-related payments on the bill list, to which Mr. Sincaglia responded. Mr. Moore then questioned why \$3,000 was paid to the Technology Committee when the Board is still paying excessive amounts for its phone service. Mr. Rusignuolo replied that the Technology Committee does not concern itself with the district's phone system but deals with other issues. Mr. Sincaglia remarked that these bills have nothing to do with the Internet; this is what it costs to run a corporation of our size that needs phone service. <u>Mr. Anthony Pergola</u>, 102 Hawthorne Avenue, asked if the district had surveyed other districts with regard to ice hockey and if so, what were the results. Dr. Votto asked if Mr. Pergola had received a copy of the survey results, to which Mr. Pergola replied in the negative. Dr. Votto replied that we have additional data which would be shared with Mr. Pergola.

Mr. Pergola remarked that it has been over three weeks since the survey was supposed to have been sent out, and he asked if there were any results. Dr. Votto replied that he believes there are results but he does not have them at hand, adding that Mr. Pergola should contact the high school principal to receive them.

Mr. Pergola commented that it has been over eight months since he first brought up the idea of hockey and nothing has been accomplished. Dr. Votto asked him what he had expected, to which Mr. Pergola replied that he would like to know what the district's findings are. Mr. Rusignuolo indicated that the members of the Athletic Committee have been giving Mr. Pergola a lot of time in private conversations.

Mr. Schweikert remarked that as a member of the Athletic Committee he had not received any information. Mr. Rusignuolo replied that he did not know if it has been brought up at a meeting yet. Dr. Votto replied that the Board is aware of the survey but the Athletic Committee has not received the results yet. Mr. Rusignuolo noted that the different Board committees do not meet with the frequency that Mr. Pergola seems to think they do, adding that ice hockey would be one of the items discussed at the next Athletic Committee meeting, whenever it is held.

<u>Mrs. Gail Kline</u>, 28 North Spring Garden Avenue, remarked that she has been trying to make sense of the grading system since 1994. She thanked Mr. Walker for his interest in the children, adding that it seems he is everywhere. Mrs. Kline also thanked Mr. Patterson for his involvement at PTA functions at Spring Garden School, adding that he does things because he wants to and not because it is required.

Mrs. Kline stated that she is still waiting for the consideration of the grading system for grades 4-12 to become a priority. She then submitted a paper regarding the grading system and requested that it be forwarded to the Priorities Committee, adding that she hoped a Saturday committee is not formed. Mrs. Kline indicated that she hoped Dr. Votto would form a real public advisory committee to seriously study the grading system at all grade levels. Mr. Rusignuolo remarked that the Priorities Committee was happy to receive the information from Mrs. Kline.

<u>Mrs. Sera T. Shuster</u>, 462 Chestnut Street, noted that Dr. Vivinetto had received money for attending a curriculum workshop and asked where he had gone. Mr. Sincaglia replied that he had gone to San Antonio, Texas.

<u>Mr. Larry Mohs</u>, 95 Brookfield Avenue, noted that he was a 1993 graduate of Nutley High School who had Mr. Gargiulo as his basketball coach for three years. He indicated that he has never been around a coach that was as caring as Mr. Gargiulo and he strongly urged the Board to allow him to continue as a coach in baseball and basketball. <u>Mr. Anthony Santoriello</u>, a former Nutley High School student, stated that he had also played under Mr. Gargiulo and had learned more from him than any other coach he had. He added that he feels Mr. Gargiulo is one of the greatest people he has ever met.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Rusignuolo remarked that a copy of his committee assignments would be placed in the minute book (see attached.)

Mr. Moscaritola read the following statement:

"I would like to discuss at this time the issue of student residency. As you know, this has been a matter which I have been looking into since last September on a preliminary basis.

"To that end, both Mr. Pelaia and myself have:

- a. met with Mr. Walker and Mr. Sincaglia to discuss our current practices and procedures
- b. reviewed the Wayne re-registration program and accompanying video
- c. reviewed the materials presented on this subject at the N.J.S.B.A. 1995 Annual Convention
- d. I attended the Bloomfield Board of Education meeting on the subject of illegal students
- e. spoken to members of the Belleville Board of Education on this subject
- f. kept abreast of this issue in other school districts as they have appeared in the public press

"Mr. President, there is a perception and concern by some members of our community about the issue of the possibility that nonresident students may be attending Nutley Schools. As you know, Nutley has a good record of identifying such students. However, we must continue to ensure that the taxpayers of our community continue to have faith in our ability to do so. Therefore, I wish to recommend that you appoint an ad hoc committee to ascertain whether there are any additional steps we can take in this area.

"Mr. President, as a result of my work in this area I have many ideas as to how this matter can be studied and the resources available to us."

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Mr. Rusignuolo noted that many people have concerns about student residency, adding that he agrees that an ad hoc committee should be formed. Mr. Rusignuolo indicated that he would like Mr. Pelaia and Mr. Williams to serve on the ad hoc committee with Mr. Moscaritola. Mrs. Russo offered her services as a member of the committee, which Mr. Rusignuolo accepted.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Board, on motion made by Mr. Moscaritola, seconded by Mr. Patterson, the meeting was adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

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