

Board of Education
Nutley, New Jersey

August 25, 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 Monday, August 25, 1997 at 8:16 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:

The meeting was opened with Mrs. Russo 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 40 citizens were present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Copies of the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on July 28, 1997 at 8:09 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 August 13, 1997 at 7:30 p.m. being in the hands of each member, reading of same was dispensed. Mrs. Russo moved that the minutes be approved, seconded by Mr. Moscaritola and unanimously approved by the Board.

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Thank-you notes from the following personnel:
Ron Bonadonna for the Board's expression of sympathy on the death of his mother
Peggy Guiliano for the Board's expression of sympathy on the death of her mother
The family of Sal Vangieri for the Board's expression of sympathy upon his death. Mr. Sincaglia noted that Mr. Vangieri was the father of Andrea Carnevale.
Sal and Pat DelMauro for the Board's expression of sympathy on the death of Pat's father.
Flo Gebbie for the Board's expression of sympathy on the death of her husband.
Lillian Domenick for her retirement gift
Gerri Iacullo for her retirement gift.
2. A letter from the Southern Gloucester County Regional High School District in support of a resolution asking the state to provide more money for debt service aid.
3. A letter from the South Plainfield Public Schools in support of a resolution to provide supplemental appropriations aid.
4. The following letter to Dr. Mary Louise Malyska, Essex County Superintendent of Schools from Leo Klagholz, Commissioner of Education:

"Thank you for your investigation of the bus parking situation at the Radcliffe School in Nutley in regard to concerns raised over student safety.

"I appreciate the thoroughness of your report, and believe it provides ample assurance that the parking areas pose no threat to the safety of the students of the Radcliffe School. I consider the matter closed."

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Mr. Sincaglia presented the Report of the Secretary as of July 31, 1997. (See attached report.)

Mrs. Fleitell moved that the Board accept the Report of the Secretary, seconded by Mr. Patterson. 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 July 31, 1997. (See attached report.)

Mrs. Fleitell 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:

"Letter from the Superintendent of Schools to the Board of Education pertaining to the 1996/1997 School Year

"The 1996/1997 school year was a wonderful year for our students, staff, and Board of Education.

"As in previous years, indications of academic success regarding the EWT, Nutley Achievement, IOWA, and HSPT tests continue to reveal that our students are achieving quite well. Once again, our combined SAT score of 1026 exceeded both the state and national averages. Our PSAT initiatives approved by the Board enhanced our total effort re the Achievement Testing Program.

"Once again, our seventh grade students realized an exceptional year in the mathematics and verbal portions of the Johns Hopkins University Talent Search. Particularly gratifying again, was the selection of high school Edward J. Bloustein Distinguished Scholars. Ninety-nine percent of our seniors passed all three sections of the HSPT test. Also Franklin School's eighth grade students passed the EWT "early warning test" in significant numbers - 98.4 percent in reading, 97.2 percent in writing and 98.8 percent in mathematics. A special thank you is in order to all of the faculty and students who participated in the above mentioned activities.

"Nutley athletes and musicians also continue to distinguish themselves with numerous awards. The NNJIL Tournament Championship was won by our golf team. They also garnered the NJSIAA State Sectional, North I and II Group 3 Championship. The rifle team won the NJIRL League and State Championship.

"Additional positive information pertaining to students proceeding to higher education and the scholarships they received, continues to be revealing and is reflected in the following pages. Please note that 83.2% of students will be going on to higher education and that they have been offered a total of \$1,824,016 in scholarship awards. Our graduates continue to attend a diverse array of quality academic institutions throughout the nation.

"Curriculum work in the K-8 reading program, health education, and special education and inclusion, was effectuated. Review and inservice for computer technology planning for the future, chemical health education, mathematics, science, grading/assessment, and critical thinking were also developed in excellent fashion. Many other areas of the curriculum were again refined and made current.

"As we begin the 1997/1998 academic year, our school community can be certain that our excellent staff will continue its commitment to the development of our students."

Mr. Rusignuolo noted that the Board was pleased with the performance of the district for the 1996-97 school year and looks forward to a productive year. He extended his congratulations to all.

"Comments pertaining to the annual vandalism report"

Mr. Sincaglia explained that the district is required to file a vandalism report with the County Superintendent each year. He noted that the important question is how much did vandalism cost the district and this year the report appears to show the number going up quite a bit but that is deceiving. Mr. Sincaglia indicated that the vandalism cost this year is \$2,223 versus \$800 last year but nearly \$1,000 of this year's total is a result of one incident which occurred during a break in last summer at Washington School.

Mr. Sincaglia also noted that the number of incidents appears to show an increase but we are doing better reporting. He explained that he encourages the custodians to report everything - graffiti, excessive broken glass or a single window pane and each incident counts the same. He added that we usually spend no more than a few thousand dollars a year and we are not having too many problems.

Mr. Sincaglia indicated that there was one incident of substance abuse which had to do with people drinking behind one of the schools and which the principal reported to the police. He explained that because it was on our property and was reported, we documented it. Mr. Sincaglia concluded by noting that this is a fairly routine report (see attached.)

FIRE DRILL REPORT:

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

July	3	Yantacaw - Summer Enrichment	10:02 a.m.	1 min. 15 secs.
July	11	Nutley Summer School	8:30 a.m.	1 min. 35 secs.
July	17	Yantacaw - Summer Enrichment	8:58 a.m.	1 min. 30 secs.
July	29	Nutley Summer School	8:45 a.m.	1 min. 30 secs.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

None

HEARING OF CITIZENS (Resolutions Only):

None

CERTIFICATION OF MAJOR ACCOUNT FUND STATUS:

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, pursuant to NJAC 6:20-2.13(e), the Nutley Board of Education certifies that as of July 31, 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. 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 authorizes the payment of bills and mandatory payments in the total amount of \$1,039,324.02 as per the attached Schedule A which have been audited by the Business Office.

REQUESTS FOR USE OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS:

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 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.

RESIGNATION - Athletic:Mr. Carmine D'Aloia

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 accepts the resignation of Mr. Carmine D'Aloia, head golf coach.

RESIGNATION - Athletic:Mr. Carlos Folleco

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:

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BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education accepts the resignation of Mr. Carlos Folleco, assistant girls soccer coach.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE - Teacher:

Mrs. Kathryn J. Zintel

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 a childrearing leave of absence for Mrs. Kathryn Zintel, Franklin School teacher, effective September 30, 1997 for the 1997/1998 school year with the provision that she notify the Superintendent of Schools of further teaching intentions no later than April 1, 1998.

APPOINTMENT - Professional Staff:

Mr. Michael Christadore

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 appoints Mr. Michael Christadore as teacher for the 1997/1998 school year, effective September 1, 1997, at the annual salary of \$45,817, M.A.-11. Upon conclusion of negotiations, the salary and step will be adjusted in accordance with the 1997/1998 Teachers' Salary Guide.

APPOINTMENT - Professional Staff:

Mrs. Patricia Isabella

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 appoints Mrs. Patricia Isabella as teacher for the 1997/1998 school year, effective September 1, 1997, at the annual salary of \$36,065, B.A.+15-6. Upon conclusion of negotiations, the salary and step will be adjusted in accordance with the 1997/1998 Teachers' Salary Guide.

APPOINTMENT - Band Program Aide:

Mrs. Dana Melillo

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 appointment of Mrs. Dana Melillo as band program aide for the 1997/1998 school year, effective September 1, 1997, at the annual stipend of \$1,500.

APPOINTMENTS - Part-Time Aides:

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 part-time school aides listed below be appointed for the 1997/1998 school year at the salaries indicated in accordance with the hourly rate established by the Board of Education:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>Hourly Rate</u>
Ashley, Michele	2	\$10.70
Bolcato, Donna	1	10.05
Carson, Elaine	2	10.70
Cascarano, Nancy	2	10.70
Damico, Karen	2	10.70
DeFrank, Patricia	2	10.70
DiEdwardo, Sara	2	10.70
Fenwick, Janet	2	10.70
Gumeny, Barbara	2	10.70
Krupka, Joann	2	10.70
Lewis, Denise	2	10.70
Linfante, Phyllis	2	10.70
Marsella, Gail	2	10.70
Mayer, Diana	2	10.70
Mleziva, Josephine	2	10.70
Morris, Deborah	2	10.70
Rizzo, Vincenza	2	10.70
SanGiovanni, Beverly	2	10.70
Sollitto, Catherine	2	10.70
Tritto, Mary Jean	2	10.70
Vespoli, Ann	2	10.70
Zaccheo, Joan	2	10.70

APPOINTMENT - Instructional Aide:Mrs. Cathie Lis

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 Mrs. Cathie Lis be appointed as an instructional aide, effective September 1, 1997, for the 1997/1998 school year at the annual salary of \$14,369 (Step 7). Upon conclusion of negotiations, the salary and step will be adjusted in accordance with the 1997/1998 Secretarial Salary Guide.

EXTRA COMPENSATION:

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:

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

Superintendent's Advisory Committee

Mary Jane Emde	\$ 216.79
Patricia Griffin	247.76
Jacqueline Meloni	216.79
Deborah Schop	216.79
Diane Slater	<u>216.79</u>

Total \$1,114.92

Summer Employment - June, July, 1997

Richard SanFillipo	\$1,594.10	(5 days) - per diem rate
Raymond Chapman	<u>650.37</u>	(7 days/21 hours) - curriculum rate

Total \$2,244.47

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 existing employment agreements, the following personnel receive reimbursement for tuition expenses:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Arlene Baldino	\$420
Joseph Bertuzzi	140
Christopher Chern	840
Lillian DeFillipis	420
Marita Dow	840
Nancy Kehayes	840
Janet Langston	840
Ann Mary Mullane	140
Joyce Wood	420

APPOINTMENTS - Teacher Substitutes:

Mr. Williams 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 1997/1998 school year.

APPOINTMENTS - Substitutes:

Mr. Williams 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, Mrs. Russo, Mr. Schweikert, Mr. Williams and Mr. Rusignuolo voting aye and Mr. Restaino abstaining:

BE IT RESOLVED, That the following substitutes be approved for the 1997/1998 school year:

Secretarial/Clerical/Aides

Janice Aiello	Antoinette Frannicola
Ramonita Angotti	Patricia Grasso
Deborah Arroyo	Mariann Graziano
Carol Ann Ballester	Kate Hutcheon
Mary Bellucci	Joan Klatsky
Linda Boyle	Joan LoCurto
Theresa R. Brancaccio	Elena Lombardo
Rosemary Buffardi	Mildred Marandola
LuAnn Calicchio	Genevieve McCutcheon
Linda Camar	Coleen Ottati
Angela Carell	Lisa Palestina
Antoinette Cifalino	Rose Papa
Kathryn Coppola	Rachel Pellegrino-Zatorski
Diana Cordasco	Ann Penzalino
Kathy Cristiano	Judy Pugliese
Norma Cuozzo	Linda Rafanello
Margaret DeAngelo	Debra J. Restaino
Celeste DeCotiis	Linda Ritacco
Corinne DeGennaro	Mary Ritacco
Dorothy Dispoto	Josephine Sarno
Carol D'Urso	Poury Shahin
Geralynn Dwyer	Priscilla Yanis
Lee Fejnas	

Aides Only

Gina Cafone	Myra Rodriguez
Donna Marie Cavallaro	Concetta Valenza
Kathleen Gabriele	Bridget Vicchiariello
Linda Lampo	Yvonne Weiss
Christine R. Pecora	

APPOINTMENTS - Transportation Substitutes:

Mr. Williams 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 transportation substitutes be approved for the 1997/1998 school year:

Drivers

Sara Cardell
Joseph Dwyer
Eugene McCormack

Fosco Oliveti
Nicholas Ugliarolo

Aides

Louise Beck
LuAnn Calicchio
Maureen Cullari

Linda Morella
Antoinette Pettinato

LONGEVITY PAY:

Mr. Williams 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 longevity payments be authorized:

Antonio Petracca	\$483	Eff. Sept. 1, 1997 (10 years)
Charles Robinson	\$692	Eff. Sept. 1, 1997 (12 years)

CHANGES IN TRAINING LEVELS:

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 following personnel be advanced to the proper level of the salary guide in accordance with Board of Education Regulations, said teachers having completed the necessary college courses to qualify for such advancement, to be effective September 1, 1997:

<u>To B.A.+15</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Marcy McKenzie	10	\$42,221
Phillip Siculietano	7	37,569
<u>To B.A.+30</u>		
Christopher Chern	9	41,350
Rebecca Olivo	9	41,350
Donald Tobey	16	56,059
<u>To M.A.</u>		
Becky Pandolfi	16	\$57,655

To M.A.+15

Joseph Bertuzzi	15	54,075
Gail Kahn	15	54,075
Jerilyn Margulies	17	63,448
Ann Mary Mullane	9	43,954
Nancy Szura	17	63,448

To M.A.+30

Arlene Baldino	13	31,341 (.6)
Lillian DeFillipis	12	50,507
Janet Jelenski	17	64,590
Janet Langston	17	64,590
Joyce Wood	13	52,235

AMENDING RESOLUTION - Special Class Placement - Educationally Disabled Student:

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 resolution adopted at the June 30, 1997 Board meeting, amended at the July 28, 1997 Board meeting, Special Class Placement - Educationally Disabled Student, Therapeutic School, be amended again to reflect an increase in the tuition rate of \$1,970.25 (an additional five days of attendance.)

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 hereby authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to assign classified handicapped children to educational programs according to how they can best achieve success in learning, in accordance with the rules and regulations pursuant to Title 18A, Chapter 46, N.J. Statutes, and Title 6, Chapter 28, N.J. Administrative Code, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Education authorizes the attendance of Nutley students at the Special Education classes for the 1997/1998 school year as per the attached Schedule D.

PLACEMENT OF STUDENTS - Vocational Education:

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 Nutley students at Essex County Vocational Schools pursuant to NJSA 18A:54-20.1 as per the attached Schedule E.

APPROVAL OF TRANSPORTATION CONTRACT - Essex County Educational Services Commission - 1997/1998 School Year:

Mr. Schweikert 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 following transportation contract for Special Education students with the Essex County Educational Services Commission for the 1997/1998 school year:

<u>Out-of-District School</u>	<u>No. of Students</u>
Windsor High School Morristown, NJ	1

TRANSPORTATION CONTRACT:

Mr. Schweikert 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 Nutley Board of Education approves a transportation contract with a parent to provide transportation for one Special Education student from Nutley to the Bleshman School, Paramus, NJ effective September 1, 1997 through June 30, 1998 at a cost of \$20 per day. (Subject to approval of the County Superintendent of Schools.)

JOINT TRANSPORTATION AGREEMENTS:

Mr. Schweikert 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 Nutley Board of Education approves the following Joint Transportation Agreements with the Belleville Board of Education to provide transportation for Special Education students from Belleville to various schools, effective September 1, 1997 through June 30, 1998. (Subject to approval of the County Superintendent of Schools.)

<u>Nutley Route No.</u>	<u>No. of Students</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Cost Per Diem</u>
5	3	Virginia Sawtelle Learning Center Montclair, NJ	\$40
5A	3	Deron II Montclair, NJ	40
9	1	Bergen Center for Child Development Haworth, NJ	68
14	1	Clearview School Wayne, NJ	46

JOINT TRANSPORTATION AGREEMENTS:

Mr. Schweikert presented and moved the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Pelaiá. 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 September 1, 1997 through June 30, 1998. (Subject to approval of the County Superintendent of Schools.)

<u>Nutley Route No.</u>	<u>No. of Students</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Cost Per Diem</u>
12	1	Children's Institute Livingston, NJ	\$ 30
15	1	Midland School North Branch, NJ	105

JOINT TRANSPORTATION AGREEMENT:

Mrs. Russo 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 East Newark Board of Education to provide transportation for two Special Education students from East Newark to Lincoln School, Nutley, NJ on Nutley bus route #1, effective September 1, 1997 through June 30, 1998 at a cost to the East Newark Board of Education of \$55 per day. (Subject to approval of the County Superintendent of Schools.)

JOINT TRANSPORTATION AGREEMENTS:

Mrs. Russo 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 Passaic Board of Education to provide transportation for Special Education students from Passaic to various schools, effective September 1, 1997 through June 30, 1998. (Subject to approval of the County Superintendent of Schools.)

<u>Nutley Route No.</u>	<u>No. of Students</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Cost Per Diem</u>
3	1	Spring Garden School Nutley, NJ	\$20
6	2	Shaler Academy Ridgefield, NJ	44

CURRICULUM APPROVAL:

Mrs. Russo 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 curriculum as described in the district selected course guides, courses of study, curriculum guides and program material be adopted for use in Grades K-12 of the Public Schools of Nutley (Schedule F).

TRANSFER OF FUNDS:

Mrs. Russo 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 transfers in the 1997/1998 General Fund budget be confirmed as follows:

<u>From</u>		<u>To</u>	
Account 11-999-291-241	\$5,650	Account 11-201-100-640	\$ 450
		Account 11-204-100-640	700
		Account 11-213-100-640	400
		Account 11-215-100-610	50
		Account 11-999-216-600	200
		Account 11-999-218-500	700
		Account 12-999-100-730	650
		Account 12-999-400-450	<u>2,500</u>
			\$5,650

APPROVAL OF FOOD SERVICE AGREEMENT - 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:

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education approves the Food Service Agreement with the Therapeutic School of Community Mental Health Services, Belleville, NJ for the 1997/1998 school year.

PETTY CASH FUNDS:

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, pursuant to NJAC 6:20-2.8 and Policy #615 (6620), a Board of Education may establish petty cash funds,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the following petty cash funds for schools be established in the amounts listed:

High School	(Mario Cocchiola, Custodian)	\$200
Franklin School	(James Vivinetto, Custodian)	150
Lincoln School	(Dorothy Mutch, Custodian)	100
Radcliffe School	(Kathleen Serafino, Custodian)	100
Spring Garden School	(Lucy Anello, Custodian)	100
Washington School	(Carmine D'Aloia, Custodian)	100
Yantacaw School	(John Calicchio, Custodian)	100

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That additional district-wide petty cash accounts be established as follows:

Board of Education	(John C. Sincaglia, Custodian)	\$200
Pupil Transportation Services	(Susan Davis, Custodian)	150
Special Services	(Barbara Hirsch, Custodian)	100

and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the maximum expenditure for petty cash funds be set at \$25 and that the individual petty cash funds be replenished by submitting a properly completed voucher to the Board of Education at least once each year.

APPROVAL OF PROPOSED BYLAWS - New Jersey School Boards Association Insurance Group:

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:

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Nutley Board of Education approves the proposed bylaws of the New Jersey School Boards Association Insurance Group.

BIDS FOR JANITORIAL SUPPLIES - 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 janitorial supplies for the 1997/1998 school year were publicly opened and read aloud on August 7, 1997 at 11:00 a.m. in the office of the Secretary of the Board of Education, and

WHEREAS, attached as per Schedule G 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.

APPOINTMENT - C.I.E. Teacher
Coordinator:

Mr. William Farkas

Mrs. Russo 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 appoints Mr. William Farkas as C.I.E. teacher coordinator for the 1997/1998 school year.

APPOINTMENT - Cultivating Academic
Talent Program - Secretary

Mrs. Rosemary McConnon

Mrs. Fleitell 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 appoints Mrs. Rosemary McConnon as C.A.T. secretary for the 1997/1998 school year.

ADOPTION OF PRIORITIES - 1997/1998:

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education approves the following priorities for the 1997/1998 school year:

1997/1998 Priorities

Continuing Priorities

- The implementation of the K-8 reading curriculum
- The development/implementation of the five-year strategic planning model for district-wide technology
- The implementation of the K-8 health education curriculum
- The implementation of the K-12 Inclusion faculty in-service program
- The development of the K-12 teaching tolerance program
- The implementation of the K-12 chemical health service program (IASA grant)
- The development of the K-12 critical thinking skills faculty in-service program
- The implementation of the high school pre-algebra mathematics program
- Review and interpret the results of the 1996/1997 State Proficiency Testing Program (Elementary School Proficiency Assessment, Early Warning and HSPT 11 tests)
- The implementation of the state-mandated school level objectives (2) for each school

New Priorities

- Review the K-8 science curriculum and make appropriate recommendations for improvement (IASA grant)
- Review the K-8 mathematics curriculum and make appropriate recommendations for improvement
- Review the K-12 art curriculum and make appropriate recommendations for improvement
- Review the Board of Education policy and regulation manual and make appropriate recommendations
- In-service training for K-12 faculty in computer education technology development
- Review the K-12 music education curriculum and make appropriate recommendations for improvement

Other Important Curriculum Related Items

- The development of the district's Instructional Theory into Practice (ITIP) in-service program
- In-service training for K-12 faculty in mathematics (IASA grant)
- A review of the K-8 language arts textbook materials

Review the feasibility of elementary school guidance initiatives and how they could relate to the district (budget committee)

Review and development of district-wide health and medical services information for parents

APPOINTMENT - Executive Secretary II:

Mrs. Madeline Cucuzza

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 Board of Education appoints Mrs. Madeline Cucuzza as Executive Secretary II at the annual salary of \$33,000, effective August 26, 1997. Upon conclusion of salary negotiations, the salary will be adjusted.

DETERMINING ELIGIBILITY FOR FREE OR REDUCED PRICE MEALS:

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, conforming with state and federal regulations, hereby agrees to the established policy with respect to determining eligibility for free or reduced price meals, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That Mrs. Madeline Cucuzza, Executive Secretary II, shall determine which individual children are eligible for a free or reduced price meal under the established policy, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Secretary/Business Administrator shall cause a notice concerning the provisions for free or reduced price lunches to be inserted in a newspaper circulating in the school district.

AMENDING APPOINTMENT - Custodian:

Mr. Allan Heinis

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:

BE IT RESOLVED, That the appointment of Mr. Allan Heinis as a part-time custodian be amended to reflect a full-time position for the 1997/1998 school year, effective September 1, 1997 at an annual salary of \$25,946 (2-3-1/2) plus \$2,200 night stipend (pro-rated).

APPOINTMENT - Transportation:Mrs. Sara Cardell

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 Mrs. Sara Cardell be appointed as a transportation employee for the 1997/1998 school year, effective September 1, 1997, at the following hourly rates:

Bus Aide	\$ 9.05
Van Driver	\$10.86

APPROVAL OF CONTRACT -
Physical Therapy Services:Bonnie Stoeckel

Mr. Williams 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 contract with Bonnie Stoeckel for the purpose of providing physical therapy services pursuant to the Board's I.D.E.A. project for the 1997/1998 school year, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That Bonnie Stoeckel be paid the amount of \$18,445 for said physical therapy services.

HEARING OF CITIZENS:

Mr. Adam LaRue, 349 Hillside Avenue, a Nutley High School senior, spoke on behalf of the high school soccer team, indicating the desire of the boys' and girls' teams to play games on the Oval, adding that the Oval should not be set aside solely for football. Mr. LaRue also noted that the soccer teams are asking that this issue be addressed for their upcoming season as seniors.

Mr. Pelaia stated that in May of this year this issue came to his attention through Frank Gaccione and then was the subject at two Athletic Committee meetings. He indicated that there was a very real interest on the part of the Committee and the administration but things have not been finalized as yet since there are one or two outstanding issues which have to be resolved and which hopefully can be resolved during the next month. Mr. Pelaia asked Mr. LaRue when the soccer season begins, to which Mr. LaRue replied that the first home game is September 19.

Dr. Votto noted that Mr. LaRue had given very cogent reasons for the request and had done a nice job in presenting them. Dr. Votto asked if Mr. LaRue had broached this topic with the Athletic Director and the principal. Mr. LaRue replied that he had met with Mr. Cocchiola and had mentioned it to Mr. Affinito. Dr. Votto then asked Mr. LaRue several questions pertaining to the request, noticing that Mr. LaRue had put forward some interesting facts for consideration.

Mr. Alan Gumeny, 67 Hillside Avenue, indicated that he is President of the Soccer Boosters Club and is fully supportive of the issue raised by Mr. LaRue.

Miss Virginia Fazzi, 95 Joerg Avenue, asked if the Board members had seen the latest issue of New Jersey Monthly magazine which contained an article dealing with the cost effectiveness of school districts and Nutley was the only district from Essex County which was mentioned. She noted that the district can be proud of this recognition, adding that it was about time the district received some positive press.

Mr. Pelaia mentioned that copies of the article should be sent to real estate brokers, the press and service groups in town. Dr. Votto noted that the local press is aware of it and the administration will be glad to provide any needed details.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Mrs. Russo remarked that Mr. LaRue had come forward in the proper way and set forth his concerns and had followed the chain of command. She suggested that information be sent to the Board when students approach the administration with concerns. Dr. Votto indicated that the concerns of the soccer team will be studied as early as tomorrow morning.

Mr. Schweikert noted that he was invited to attend a Football Booster Club meeting and they request that they be allowed to use the fieldhouse in the Oval during home freshman football games. Dr. Votto replied that he will check into this.

Mrs. Fleitell asked if, after Dr. Votto follows up the soccer team request with Mr. Cocchiola and Mr. Affinito, will he move on the request or will he have to come back to the Board. Dr. Votto replied that he has to look into the entire matter.

Mr. Patterson indicated that he was pleased to have accompanied the band to the Band Camp in the Poconos and it went very well and was very well received. He noted that during the camp there was discussion about changing the band practice schedule to practice from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. two evenings a week if that fits into the overall schedule.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Board, on motion made by Mr. Pelaia, seconded by Mrs. Russo, the meeting was adjourned at 8:51 p.m.



President



Secretary

Sept 22, 1997

Date