

The Conference Meeting of the Board of Education of the Township of Nutley, New Jersey was held in the Board Room, 375 Bloomfield Avenue, on Monday, October 6, 1997 at 7:30 p.m. with Mr. Robert J. Rusignuolo, President, presiding.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE:

Mr. Rusignuolo read the following:

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

CALL OF ROLL:

The members present at roll call were: Mrs. Michele Fleitell, Mr. Franklin J. Patterson, Mr. Joseph C. Pelaia, Mr. Alfred R. Restaino, Jr., Mrs. Maria Russo and Mr. Robert J. Rusignuolo. Late: Mr. Robert Schweikert, Jr. (7:43 p.m.). Absent: Mr. Vincent Moscaritola and Mr. Louis F. Williams.

1. Dr. Votto indicated he had asked the principals and several coordinators to be present to review the completed objectives for 1996-97 and proposed objectives for 1997-98.

The high school objectives were presented by Mario Cocchiola assisted by coordinators Dianne DeRosa, Catherine Danchak and MaryLou Dowse.

Mr. Schweikert entered

The Franklin School objectives were presented by Dr. James Vivinetto and the elementary school objectives were presented by Dorothy Mutch, John Calicchio, Carmine D'Aloia, Lucy Anello and Kathleen Serafino.

Dr. Votto then asked Miss Anello and Mrs. Serafino to comment on the results of the community survey. It was noted that a narrative report would be forthcoming.

2. Dr. Votto mentioned that the application for the technology grant had been submitted and Mrs. Serafino would be making a more detailed presentation to the Board at a subsequent meeting.
3. Mr. Sincaglia mentioned that the new handicapped bus had been received and a decision needed to be made on the disposition of the one that needed to be retired. He noted that Commissioner Orechio had written a letter several months ago requesting that the bus be given to the town. He noted that we have often provided buses to different town departments and we had no use of the vehicle for our own purposes.

Mr. Restaino moved that the Board donate the bus as per the request, seconded by Mrs. Fleitell and unanimously approved by the Board.

4. Mrs. Russo mentioned a concern she had about employee smoking on school buses when children were not present.
5. There was discussion about the work slowdown by the EAN and questions were raised as to the compensation that would be paid to group advisors.

Dr. Votto said the "rule of thumb" is there should be from 10 - 12 meetings of groups and that it would certainly be possible, with extra meetings some months, for the groups to maintain their quotas.

A question was also asked, what about class advisors who perform a function which encompasses the whole year.

6. Mrs. Russo raised several concerns about class trips and supervisors. There was a discussion on this topic with respect to numbers of chaperones and the ratio of adults to children.

Mr. Rusignuolo said that this should be looked at administratively and reported back to the Board.

RESOLUTION TO CLOSE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC:

Mr. Rusignuolo asked Mr. Sincaglia to read the following resolution:

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

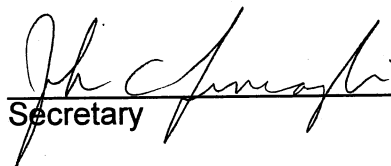
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education adjourn to closed executive session at this time to discuss personnel matters and negotiations, and

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

The resolution was moved by Mrs. Fleitell, seconded by Mr. Restaino and unanimously approved by the Board.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 9:39 p.m.


Secretary

10/9/97
Date