

The Conference Meeting of the Board of Education of the Township of Nutley, New Jersey was held in the Board Room, 375 Bloomfield Avenue, on Monday, February 9, 1998 at 8:11 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 Notice of February 2, 1998. 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. Vincent Moscaritola, Mr. Franklin J. Patterson, Mr. Joseph C. Pelaia, Mr. Alfred R. Restaino, Jr., Mrs. Maria Russo, Mr. Robert Schweikert, Jr., and Mr. Robert J. Rusignuolo. Absent: Mr. Louis F. Williams.

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 recess to closed executive session at this time to discuss personnel matters, and

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

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

RECESS MEETING:

The meeting recessed at 8:12 p.m.

RESUME MEETING:

The meeting resumed at 8:23 p.m.

1. Dr. Votto noted that at the February 23 Board meeting we would be honoring Garden State and National Merit Scholars.
2. Dr. Votto noted that the Board would be acting on the tentative budget at the February 23 meeting; however, it was originally planned that an additional meeting, as needed, was supposed to be scheduled for February 25 but he asked the Board that, if an additional meeting was needed, it be held on February 24 and Mr. Sincaglia noted that the February 23 Conference session would start earlier than normal and if the meeting were held on February 24, it would probably start at 7:00 p.m.
3. Mrs. Fleitell noted that the Academic Committee had met earlier this evening and had reviewed interim reports from various curriculum committees with particular emphasis on how we were meeting the state's Core Curriculum Standards.
4. Mr. Pelaia reported on the meeting of the Athletic Committee concerning the athletic budget for 1998-99 and noted that the athletic budget would contain new programs for lacrosse, freshman girls' softball and winter color guard. He noted that, not counting these new programs, the athletic budget was increasing by 2.34%. With the new programs included the increase would be 7.8%.
5. Marie Bilik and Janet Lobsenz from the New Jersey School Boards Association discussed with the Board the criteria for Superintendent selection, leadership qualities, personal characteristics and key issues of the Board for consideration in this process. There was also discussion about how staff and community would be involved.

It was agreed that Mr. Sincaglia would communicate with the NJSBA concerning dates for meetings with faculty and staff as well as possible dates for a community forum.

ADJOURNMENT:

On motion made by Mr. Pelaia, seconded by Mr. Moscaritola and unanimously approved by the Board, the meeting adjourned at 10:25 p.m.


Secretary

2/11/98
Date