

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, April 19, 1999 at 7:15 p.m. with Mr. Joseph C. Pelaia, President, presiding.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE:

Mr. Pelaia 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 August 31, 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, Mrs. Agnes Roncaglio, Mrs. Maria Russo, Dr. Joseph P. Scarpelli and Mr. Joseph C. Pelaia. Late: Dr. Philip T. Casale (7:20 p.m.) and Mr. Steven P. Picciano (7:23 p.m.). Absent: Mr. Alfred R. Restaino, Jr.

1. Mr. Sincaglia reviewed the proposed addendum item dealing with the emergency replacement of the gymnasium floor at Lincoln School. He noted that this type of resolution was necessary since the Board would not be following formal, competitive bidding although he noted that many quotes were solicited and three quotes were submitted in writing. The recommended contract was being made to the firm that had the lowest quote.

Dr. Casale and Mr. Picciano entered during this portion of the meeting

RESOLUTION TO CLOSE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC:

Mr. Pelaia 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 negotiations, and

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

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

RECESS MEETING:

The meeting recessed at 7:24 p.m.

RESUME MEETING:

The meeting resumed at 7:40 p.m.

2. Dr. Serafino reviewed a variety of items that were contained in tonight's agenda.
3. In this evening's Superintendent's Report, Dr. Serafino mentioned that she wanted to change the distinction awards program from being a total district-wide program to individual programs at the respective schools. She stated that the five elementary schools would hold the program on the evening of June 7, the same evening that had been originally planned and the principal and Board representative would be instrumental in the conferring of the awards.

Dr. Scarpelli said he thought we should reconsider who actually gets the award, noting that he felt that it was unfair to only award students who were 100% accurate.

Mrs. Russo commented that there should be a uniform manner of notifying the parents of what their child's scores are on the Nutley Achievement Test.

Mrs. Russo asked if a date had been set for the Board retirement dinner and Mr. Sincaglia indicated it would be held on June 2 at the Manor as usual.

4. Mrs. Fleitell stated that she wanted again to reiterate her opinion that the district must address the elementary school lunch program. She noted that, in her opinion, it lasts much too long a time and is too dangerous because of that fact.

ADJOURNMENT:

On motion made by Mrs. Fleitell, seconded by Mrs. Roncaglio and unanimously approved by the Board, the meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.


Secretary

Date

4/30/99