The Conference Meeting of the Board of Education of the Township of Nutley, New Jersey was held in the Board Conference Room, 375 Bloomfield Avenue, on Monday, February 28, 2000 at 7:17 p.m. with Mr. Vincent A. Moscaritola, President, presiding.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE:

Mr. Moscaritola 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 May 3, 1999. 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.
- Mailed to the Nutley Township Clerk."

CALL OF ROLL:

The members present at roll call were: Mrs. Michele Fleitell, Mr. Steven P. Picciano, Mr. Alfred R. Restaino, Jr., Mrs. Agnes Roncaglio and Mr. Vincent A. Moscaritola. Absent: Mr. John Cafone, Dr. Philip T. Casale, Mr. Joseph C. Pelaia and Mrs. Maria Russo.

1. Mr. Sincaglia noted there were two pending personnel addendum items that the Board needed to deal with for tonight's regular meeting and suggested the Board go into executive session to deal with those first and then return to open session for other items.

RESOLUTION TO CLOSE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC:

Mr. Moscaritola 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.

Mr. Restaino moved that the resolution be adopted, seconded by Mrs. Roncaglio and unanimously approved by the Board.

RECESS MEETING:

The meeting recessed at 7:20 p.m.

RESUME MEETING:

The meeting resumed at 7:35 p.m. Dr. Casale and Mrs. Russo were present at this time.

2. The Board reviewed the addendum item dealing with the IDEA amendment.

It was agreed to place this item on the agenda at the regular meeting.

3. The Board reviewed the item dealing with the adoption of the tentative budget. A question arose concerning the salary figure being used for the teachers.

Mr. Moscaritola and Mr. Picciano recused themselves at 7:37 p.m.

Mr. Sincaglia provided the information to the Board concerning salaries that were included and contrasted this with the situation for 1999/2000.

Mr. Moscaritola and Mr. Picciano re-entered at 7:40 p.m.

Mr. Restaino indicated he had a problem with the position of staff assistant and there was additional discussion about this matter.

Mr. Sincaglia noted he had been given an unofficial property value number earlier today which, if correct, would mean a reduction of one tax point meaning that the proposed budget would cause an increase of three points instead of four. He noted that this would be the second lowest tax point increase in "modern" history in Nutley.

Given the fact that the Board still wanted discussion about the budget Mr. Sincaglia explained that that could take place when the matter came up at the regular public meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

On motion made by Mrs. Roncaglio, seconded by Mrs. Fleitell, the meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

Date