Board of Education Nutley, New Jersey March 2, 2001

The Special Meeting of the Board of Education of the Township of Nutley, New Jersey was held in the Franklin School Auditorium, 325 Franklin Avenue, on Friday, March 2, 2001 at 7:00 p.m. with Mr. John C. Sincaglia, presiding in the absence of the President and Vice-President.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF MEETING:

Mr. Sincaglia read the following:

"According to the provisions of the 'Open Public Meetings Act' (Chapter 231, P.L. 1975), proper notice of this Special Meeting was provided on February 27, 2001. 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.

"The purpose of this meeting will be for the Board to consider the following matters:

Adoption of the 2001/2002 Tentative Budget

Erection of Two Fences at Spring Garden School as Part of a Joint Venture with the Township of Nutley

"Formal action may be taken."

ROLL CALL:

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

Mr. Pelaia made a motion to designate Mr. Vincent A. Moscaritola as temporary chair, seconded by Mrs. Fleitell and unanimously approved by the Board. Mr. Moscaritola resumed the chair.

HEARING OF CITIZENS (Agenda Items Only):

None

ADOPTION OF 2001/2002 TENTATIVE BUDGET

Mr. Pelaia presented and moved the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Mrs. Roncaglio. On a roll call vote the resolution was unanimously adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education hereby adopts a tentative budget for the 2001/2002 school year in the amount of:

 General Fund
 \$37,339,321

 Special Revenue Fund
 997,223

 Debt Service
 159,896

Total Budget \$38,496,440 of which the

following amount shall be raised by local tax levy:

 General Fund
 \$30,958,036

 Debt Service
 144,349

 Total
 \$31,102,385

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Secretary be authorized to submit this budget to the County Superintendent for approval, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board also requests approval of the statutory Growth Limitation Adjustment for changes in enrollment in the amount of \$228,052 and excess special education costs in the amount of \$16,686, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That upon receiving the approval of the County Superintendent, the Secretary be authorized to publish the 2001/2002 budget in The Nutley Sun.

Mr. Pelaia read the following statement:

"I will cast my vote in the affirmative with the clear understanding that what we do here this evening we do in compliance with state requirement that we submit a TENTATIVE budget to the County Superintendent's office by the close of business on Monday, March 5th.

"A great deal of work and time has already been done by the Budget Committee, full Board and the Administration and I want to publicly thank them for all their fine efforts.

"The dictionary defines the word "tentative" as "NOT FINAL". Accordingly, the budget may, at this time, be considered a work in progress. The Board of Education will be voting on the final form of the budget on Thursday, March 29th. It is this final budget which the citizens of Nutley will vote on at the April 17th Board election. On the 29th, Mr. Sincaglia will make a full budget presentation to the public.

"Along with the full Board and the administration, I intend to use the intervening time wisely to ensure that our final work product is both educationally sound and fiscally responsible.

"The Board of Education's budget represents its game plan or blueprint, if you will, for the next school year. With that in mind, we will continue to review all areas of the budget."

ERECTION OF TWO FENCES AT SPRING GARDEN SCHOOL:

Mrs. Fleitell presented and moved the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Mrs. Roncaglio. On a roll call vote the resolution was unanimously adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education enters into a joint venture with the Township to pay half the cost to erect two fences at Spring Garden School.

Mrs. Fleitell made it clear that this is a joint venture with the Township of Nutley. She mentioned that a lot of time and effort went into this to see what was best for the community. She thanked Commissioner Tucci and Mr. Pandolfi, of the Parks and Recreation Department, for their cooperation in this effort.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Board, on motion made by Mr. Pelaia, seconded by Mr. Cafone, the meeting was adjourned at 7:09 p.m.

President

Secretary

March 2, 2001