

Board of Education
Nutley, NJ

April 16, 2001

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the Township of Nutley, New Jersey was held in the Radcliffe School Multi-Purpose Room, 379 Bloomfield Avenue, on Monday, April 16, 2001 at 8:14 p.m. with Mr. Alfred R. Restaino, Jr., President, presiding.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF MEETING:

Mr. Restaino read the following:

"According to the provisions of the "Open Pubic Meetings Act" (Chapter 231, P.L. 1975), proper notice of this Regular Meeting was provided in the Annual Notice of May 1, 2000. 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.

"Formal action will be taken."

FLAG SALUTE:

The meeting was opened with Mrs. Fleitell leading the Board members and citizens in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag.

CALL OF ROLL:

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Copies of the minutes of the Special Meeting held on March 29, 2001 at 7:05 p.m. being in the hands of each member, reading of same was dispensed. Dr. Casale moved that the minutes be approved, seconded by Mrs. Fleitell. Upon being put to a roll call vote the resolution was adopted with Mr. Cafone, Dr. Casale, Mrs. Fleitell, Mr. Moscaritola, Mr. Pelaia, Mr. Picciano, Mrs. Roncaglio and Mr. Restaino voting aye and Mrs. Alamo abstaining. Approximately 10 citizens were present.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Mr. Sincaglia presented and read the following communications:

1. A thank-you note from Janet Jelinski for the flowers sent by the Board during her recuperation.
2. A thank-you note from Thomas Festa and family for the Board's expression of sympathy on the loss of his mother.

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Mr. Sincaglia presented the Report of the Secretary as of March 31, 2001. (See attached report.)

Dr. Casale moved that the Board accept the Report of the Secretary, seconded by Mrs. Alamo. On a roll call vote the resolution was unanimously adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Mr. Sincaglia presented the Report of the Treasurer of School Moneys as of March 31, 2001. (See attached report.)

Mrs. Fleitell moved that the Board accept the Report of the Treasurer of School Moneys, seconded by Dr. Casale. On a roll call vote the resolution was unanimously adopted.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Dr. Serafino presented and read the following report:

"Informational Items:

Third quarter report cards were distributed on Thursday, April 12	
School Board Election	April 17 - 2:30-9:00 p.m.
Schools Closed - Spring Recess	April 23 - April 27
Grade 4 ESPA	May 1,2 - Language Arts 3,4 - Math 7 - Science
Yantacaw P.T.O. Musicale	May 2 - 7:30 p.m.
ABC Science Fair - Franklin School	May 5 - 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Radcliffe P.T.O. Musicale	May 8 - 7:30 p.m.
Lincoln P.T.O. Musicale	May 9 - 7:30 p.m.
Nutley High School - Fine Arts Festival Music Festival	May 10 - 6:00-7:00 p.m. 7:00-9:00 p.m.

District Writing Test (Gr. 1-7)	May 15
Washington P.T.O. Musicale	May 16 - 7:30 p.m.
Spring Garden P.T.O. Musicale	May 17 - 7:30 p.m.
Spring Garden Strawberry Festival	May 19 - 10:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.
Franklin School Art Festival	May 20 - (rain date)
NHS National Honor Society Induction	May 22 - 6:00 p.m.
Attached is the student enrollment chart as of March 31, 2001	May 23 - 7:00 p.m.
School Board Election - April 17"	

Dr. Serafino stated that Yantacaw School participated in a reading contest with the New Jersey Nets which was related to minutes spent reading. She said that out of 123 schools Yantacaw School came in first. She expressed how proud she was of our students since reading is something that is promoted through out the district. She said there was a special program at Yantacaw School today with Keith Van Horn and the New Jersey Net's mascot Sly.

FIRE DRILL REPORT:

Fire drills held during the month of March were as follows:

March	1	Nutley High School	10:50 a.m.	2 min. 10 secs.
March	8	Franklin School	10:10 a.m.	2 min. 07 secs.
March	8	Yantacaw School	10:59 a.m.	1 min. 45 secs.
March	8	Washington School	10:50 a.m.	1 min. 30 secs.
March	12	Lincoln School	10:06 a.m.	1 min. 29 secs.
March	12	Radcliffe School	2:21 p.m.	1 min. 30 secs.
March	12	Lincoln School	2:05 p.m.	1 min. 30 secs.
March	12	Spring Garden School	10:26 a.m.	1 min. 45 secs.
March	15	Washington School	9:30 p.m.	1 min. 35 secs.
March	15	Radcliffe School	9:32 a.m.	1 min. 25 secs.
March	19	Spring Garden School	1:46 p.m.	1 min. 42 secs.
March	19	Yantacaw School	10:47 a.m.	1 min. 40 secs.
March	27	Nutley High School	1:59 p.m.	1 min. 50 secs.
March	27	Franklin School	2:10 p.m.	1 min. 06 secs.
March	28	Nutley High School	12:00 p.m.	2 min. 10 secs.

CAFETERIA REPORT:

Mr. Restaino presented the cafeteria report as of March 31, 2001 showing a 2000/2001 budget of \$702,178.00, contractual orders to date of \$497,746.65, leaving funds available of \$204,431.35.

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COMMITTEE REPORTS:

None

HEARING OF CITIZENS (Resolutions Only):

None

CERTIFICATION OF MAJOR ACCOUNT FUND STATUS:

Dr. Casale 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, pursuant to NJAC 6:20-2.13 (e), the Nutley Board of Education certifies that as of March 31, 2001, after review of the Secretary's monthly financial report (Appropriations section) and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, to the best of its knowledge no major account or fund has been overexpended in violation of NJAC 6:20-2.13(b) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year. (Major accounts are General Fund and Debt Service.)

BILLS AND MANDATORY PAYMENTS:

Dr. Casale 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 authorizes the payment of bills and mandatory payments in the total amount of \$3,421,629.34 as per the attached Schedule A which have been audited by the Business Office.

REQUESTS FOR USE OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS:

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education approves the requests for the use of school buildings and grounds (Schedule B), provided they conform to the rules and regulations set by the Board of Education.

EXTENDED LEAVE OF ABSENCE -
TEACHER:Mrs. Julianne Philp

Mrs. Alamo presented and moved the adoption of the following resolution,

seconded by Mr. Moscaritola. On a roll call vote the resolution was unanimously adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education approves an extended childrearing leave of absence for Mrs. Julianne Philp, for the 2001/2002 school year with the provision that she notify the Superintendent of Schools of further teaching intentions no later than April 1, 2002.

AMENDING RESOLUTION -
Leave of Absence - Teacher:

Mrs. Deborah Amoroso

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the resolution, Leave of Absence - Teacher Mrs. Deborah Amoroso, adopted at the February 26, 2001 meeting of the Board of Education, be amended to reflect a change in a childrearing leave to April 5 through June 30, 2001.

AMENDING RESOLUTION -
Leave of Absence - Teacher:

Mrs. Rosa Santoriello

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the resolution, Leave of Absence - Teacher Mrs. Rosa Santoriello, adopted at the January 22, 2001 meeting of the Board of Education, be amended to reflect a change in a childrearing leave to February 13 through June 30, 2001.

AMENDING RESOLUTION -
Leave of Absence - Teacher:

Mrs. Jenifer Wilson

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the resolution, Leave of Absence - Teacher Mrs. Jenifer Wilson, adopted at the February 26, 2001 meeting of the Board of Education, be amended to reflect a change in a child-rearing leave to May 3 through June 30, 2001.

AMENDING RESOLUTION -
Leave of Absence - Teacher:

Mrs. Ellen Wolf

Mr. Picciano presented and moved the adoption of the following resolution,

seconded by Dr. Casale. On a roll call vote the resolution was unanimously adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED, That the resolution, Leave of Absence - Teacher Mrs. Ellen Wolf, adopted at the February 26, 2001 meeting of the Board of Education, be amended to reflect a change in a child-rearing leave to May 3 through June 4, 2001.

APPOINTMENTS - Teacher Substitutes:

Mr. Picciano presented and moved the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Dr. Casale. On a roll call vote the resolution was unanimously adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED, That the teacher substitutes listed on the attached Schedule C be approved for the 2000/2001 school year.

APPOINTMENTS - Substitutes:

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the following substitutes be approved for the 2000/2001 school year:

Secretarial/School Aide

Cheryl Lynn Tavarone

Secretarial

Rosa Caputo

EXTRA COMPENSATION:

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the following personnel be paid extra compensation in the amounts indicated for services rendered:

Literature/Media Connection Course Development
Committee - March 21, 2001

Cynthia DeBonis	\$ 48.27
Loretta Douglas	48.27
Tracy Egan	48.27

Literature/Media Connection Course Development
Committee - March 21, 2001 (Contd.)

Judith Hardin	48.27
Walter King	48.27
Catherine Kinney	48.27
Paul Kocum	<u>48.27</u>

Total \$337.89

Health Dynamics Classes - April, 2001

Rose Cioffi	\$250.00
Latanya Williams	<u>250.00</u>

Total \$500.00

After School Library - March, 2001

Susan Ames	\$ 49.90
Carol Shepherd	<u>124.75</u>

Total \$174.65

CPR In-Service - March 12, 13, 14 and 16, 2001

Katherine Flannery	Total \$ 96.54
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SAT Review Classes - March 7, 12, 14, 19, 21,
26 and 28, 2001

John Suffren	\$ 675.78
Carol Shepard	<u>675.78</u>

Total \$1,351.56

P.A.T. Committee Meeting - March 20, 2001

Nancy Falco	\$ 48.27
Danielle Ferraro	48.27
Suzanne Hagert	48.27
Cynthia Lynch	48.27
Jacqueline Meloni	48.27
Rebecca Olivo	48.27
Lisa Rossi	48.27
Niki Vlasakakis	48.27
Carol VonAchen	<u>48.27</u>

Total \$434.43

Central Detention Coverage - March, 2001

High School

Jeri Cohn	\$ 52.32
Nicole Errante	69.76
Linda Fisher	52.32

Central Detention Coverage - March, 2001 (Contd.)

Susan Gesumaria	69.76
AnneMarie Kowalski	17.44
Denise Mazza	34.88

Franklin School

Jennifer Ambrose	87.20
Jennifer Citarella	17.44
Joseph Capello	104.64
Gina Marie Masino	104.64
Luann Zullo	<u>17.44</u>

Total	\$627.84
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Saturday Morning Suspensions - March, 2001High School

Darren Groh	\$291.60
AnneMarie Kowalski	72.90

Franklin School

Becky Pandolfi	<u>145.80</u>
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Total	\$510.30
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Acting Manager of Buildings and Grounds - March, 2001

Philip Nicolette	Total	\$ 750.00
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TUITION REIMBURSEMENT:

Mr. Cafone 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, in accordance with existing employment agreements, the following personnel receive reimbursement for tuition expenses:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Rachel Daly	\$ 900
Bernadette Santoriello	<u>900</u>
Total	\$1,800

NOTIFICATION OF GRANT AWARD:

Mr. Cafone 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 accepts Notification of Grant Award for Title VI Class-Size Reduction Initiative for FY2001 in the amount of \$52,082.

PLACEMENT OF OUT-OF-DISTRICT SPECIAL EDUCATION STUDENT:

Mr. Cafone 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 approves placement of an out-of-district special education student from the following district in the following classification for the 2000/2001 school year:

<u>District</u>	<u>No. of Students</u>	<u>Program</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Belleville	1	MIC	Lincoln	4/2/01

TRANSPORTATION AGREEMENTS:

Mr. Moscaritola 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 Secretary be authorized to enter into transportation agreements with the Hopatcong Borough Board of Education for transportation of special education students for the 2001/2002 school year. The agreement will provide coordinated transportation services between the Hopatcong Borough Board of Education and any joining districts.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That any agreements be presented for ratification at the next succeeding meeting of the Board of Education.

TEXTBOOK APPROVAL:

Mr. Moscaritola 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 approves the use of the following textbooks:

SCIENCE

Science, 3, 4, 5, 6
 Publisher, Scott Foresman, New York, NY, 2000

MATHEMATICS K-6

The Path to Math Success

Publisher, Silver Burdett Ginn, Parsippany, NJ, 2001
New York, New York**SUMMER SCHOOL APPROVAL:**

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

WHEREAS, the State Department of Education requires an approval by the Board of Education for summer sessions, and

WHEREAS, the summer session operated by the Nutley Board of Education meets the requirements for state approval,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Superintendent of Schools make application to the County Superintendent of Schools with a request for approval from the State Department of Education.

TRANSFER OF FUNDS:

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That transfers in the 2000/2001 General Fund Budget be confirmed as follows:

<u>From</u>		<u>To</u>	
Account 11-140-100-101	\$ 25,000	Account 11-215-100-101	\$ 4,000
Account 11-215-100-106	5,000	Account 11-402-100-100	3,000
Account 11-230-100-101	2,000	Account 11-999-218-500	200
Account 11-999-217-100	3,000	Account 11-999-230-331	12,000
Account 11-999-222-100	<u>26,600</u>	Account 11-999-230-600	400
		Account 11-999-261-610	7,000
		Account 11-999-262-800	25,000
	\$ 61,600	Account 11-999-290-500	3,000
		Account 11-999-291-280	<u>7,000</u>
			\$ 61,600

NON-RENEWAL OF TEACHING CONTRACTS:

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the contracts of the following non-tenured teachers not be renewed for the 2001/2002 school year:

Aduato, Kristine	p/t .5
Alessio, John	
Algieri, Kimberly	p/t .5
Ambrose, Jennifer	
Aragona, Irene	
Bania, Kent	
Beckmeyer, Karen	p/t .5
Cappello, Joseph	
Caputo, Deborah	p/t .5
Carollo, Annemarie	
Casale, Susan	p/t .8
Cenicola, Thomas	p/t 2/3
Cerniglia, Kelli	p/t .5
Cioffi, Rose	
Citarella, Jennifer	
Considine, Maria	
Cullari, Carla	p/t .5
Cunningham, Joyce	
Doyle-Marino, Helen	
Egan, Tracy	
Fagan, Regan	p/t /5
Falco, Nancy	
Ferraro, Michelle	
Fitzgerald, Claire	
Fitzgerald, Lisa	p/t .5
Freire, William	
Goldberg, Dawn	
Groh, Darren	
Harbison, Robert	
Holland Doreen	
Holly, Sheryl Lynn	p/t .5
Kelly, James	
King, Walter	
Koukoularis, Eleni	
Kozyra, Cheryl	p/t .5
Licameli, Lesslie	
Lynch, Cynthia	p/t .5
Masino, Gina Marie	
Masullo, Christopher	
McAloon, Jacqueline	
McDonnell, Linda	p/t .6
Mosior, Lynn	p/t .5
Noonan, Richard	

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Oleson, Gregory
 Parker, Margaret
 Peluso, Heather p/t .5
 Pontrella, Mary p/t .5
 Puzio, Eric
 Raiser, Bethany Anne
 Rasczyk, Judy
 Rizzi, Michele
 Rizzuto, Rosann
 Rossi, Alisa J.
 Ryan, Gerald
 Saitta, Donna T.
 Santos, Manuela
 Sorensen, Jill
 Stoffers, Michael
 Struble, Pamela
 Strumolo, Maria
 Toto, Andrea p/t .2
 Tracey, Karen
 Tusche, Marisa
 Zullo, Luann

NON-RENEWAL OF INSTRUCTIONAL AIDES:

Mr. Moscaritola presented and moved the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Mrs. Roncaglio. Upon being put to a roll call vote the resolution was adopted with Mrs. Alamo, Mr. Cafone, Dr. Casale, Mrs. Fleitell, Mr. Moscaritola, Mr. Pelaia, Mr. Restaino and Mrs. Roncaglio voting aye and Mr. Picciano voting nay.

BE IT RESOLVED, That the contracts of the following instructional aides not be renewed for the 2001/2002 school year:

Callaghan, Maureen
 Ciccolella, Nicoletta
 Dinan, Jane
 Ferraro, Donna
 Imperial, Lynn
 Kucinski, Stephanie (p/t .5)
 Luzzi, Donna
 Marra, Marcellino
 Paolino, Audrey
 Ponzoni, Janet
 Pucci, Annette
 Rosamilia, Melissa
 Tesei, Lesley
 Weiss, Yvonne
 Yanuzzelli, Gloria

ABOLISH COMMITTEE:Computer Network Persons

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education abolishes the Computer Network Persons for the 2001/2002 school year.

ABOLISH POSITION:Industrial Arts

Mr. Moscaritola presented and moved the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Mrs. Roncaglio. Upon being put to a roll call vote the resolution was adopted with Mrs. Alamo, Mr. Cafone, Dr. Casale, Mrs. Fleitell, Mr. Moscaritola, Mr. Pelaia, Mr. Restaino and Mrs. Roncaglio voting aye and Mr. Picciano abstaining.

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education abolishes the position of Industrial Arts teacher at Franklin Middle School.

HEARING OF CITIZENS:

Mrs. Gail Klein, 28 No. Spring Garden Avenue, referred to an article in the Star Ledger titled "Colleges warn they're running out of seats" dated October 12, 2000 regarding "baby boomers" and how they will be competing in greater numbers for seats in colleges. Mrs. Klein read the following paragraph from the article:

"The report compiled by the New Jersey Association of State Colleges and Universities warns that the state's four-year public colleges are not equipped to deal with the coming "baby boomlet," a 25 percent spike in high school graduates over the next decade."

Mrs. Klein stated that she wanted to remind everyone how competitive it is for our students to get into college. She commented on how critical it is to stay on top of our students and enable them to get into college in as many ways possible.

OLD BUSINESS:

Mr. Picciano reemphasized to the Board the importance of reviewing the policy manual and the possibility of a policy coming out on violence in the schools. He suggested that the Board refer to a memo from New Jersey School Boards dated January, 1999 dealing with violence in the schools and policy making suggestions.

Mr. Restaino assured Mr. Picciano that the Board would continue to work on a policy that addressed violence in the schools.

Mrs. Fleitell stated that she attended the anti-violence rally today and commended Mrs. Markman for a wonderful program. Mrs. Fleitell commented that

she felt that the rally does a better job at combating school violence than having policemen in school buildings.

Mr. Pelaia stated that the remarkable thing about the rally was that Mrs. Markman and our students were in a leadership role in putting the Teens Against Violence Rally together. He commended Mrs. Markman for her dedication to the students and a wonderful job on the rally.

Mrs. Roncaglio commented on a wonderful assembly program put together by the Principal, teachers and students at Washington School addressing the diversity of the community and the school. There were students representing five different continents and 17 different languages spoken in their home. She stated that it was a pleasure to see community support of the assembly.

Mrs. Alamo reiterated the fact that the assembly was a wonderful experience for all who attended. She also stated how proud she was of all the children who participated.

Mr. Restaino extended his gratitude and well wishes to Mrs. Fleitell and Mr. Picciano for their commitment to the Board.

Mrs. Fleitell stated it was her pleasure and honor to serve the District and the children of Nutley. She commented that she trust this Board will make wonderful decisions in the best interest of our children.


Mr. Picciano thanked his family and the Board for their support.

NEW BUSINESS:

None

ADJOURNMENT:

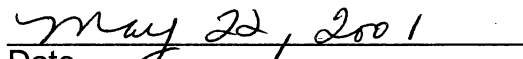
There being no further business to come before the Board on motion made by Mr. Picciano, seconded by Mrs. Fleitell the meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.



 President



 Secretary



 Date