

Board of Education
Nutley, New Jersey

April 29, 2002

The Special 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 29, 2002 at 7:30 p.m. with Mr. John C. Sincaglia, Temporary Chairman, presiding.

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 meeting of the Board was provided on April 22, 2002. 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 is for the Board of Education to reorganize pursuant to NJSA 18A:10-3.

"Formal action will be taken."

FLAG SALUTE:

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

STATEMENT OF RESULTS OF ANNUAL SCHOOL ELECTION:

Mr. Sincaglia read the following:

"The Annual Election of the legal voters of the School District of the Township of Nutley, in the County of Essex, New Jersey, was held on Tuesday, April 16, 2002 between the hours of 2:30 and 9:00 p.m. and as much longer as was necessary to permit all the legal voters then present at the polling places to vote.

"Voting was conducted at Ward 1 - Districts 1-7, Ward 2 - Districts 1-6 and Ward 3 - Districts 1-7, all in the School District.

"Voting was conducted for the election of three members to the Board of Education for a period of three years and for authorizing the raising of \$32,800,135 in district taxes to support the proposed 2002/2003 General Fund Budget.

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"The results of the election were as follows:

Candidates for 3-year terms

Maria Russo	1,430
Gerard Del Tufo	1,769
Vincent Moscaritola	1,623
Brenda C. Sherman	1,743
John Cafone	1,895
Sal D. Olivo	2,345

"The candidates elected were: Sal D. Olivo, John Cafone and Gerard Del Tufo for three-year terms.

Mr. Sincaglia stated that the results differ by a few votes from what was reported in the newspapers because we received formal notice from the Board of Elections with provisional ballot which were not available at that time. He noted it did not change the result of the election.

"The votes for the General Fund portion of the budget were as follows:

Yes	2,084 votes
No	1,869 votes

"The question of the tax levy was approved.

"A copy of this report will be entered in the official minutes of the Board of Education."

ADMINISTRATION OF OATH TO NEW BOARD MEMBERS:

Mr. Sincaglia administered the Oath of Office to Mr. John Cafone, Mr. Gerard Del Tufo, and Mr. Sal Olivo.

Mr. Sincaglia welcomed all as members of the Board of Education.

CALL OF ROLL:

The members present at roll call were: Mrs. Maria Alamo, Mr. John Cafone, Dr. Philip T. Casale, Mr. Gerard Del Tufo, Mr. Alan Genitempo, Mr. Sal Olivo, Dr. Gerard M. Parisi, Mr. Joseph C. Pelaia, and Mr. Alfred R. Restaino, Jr.

ELECTION OF PRESIDENT:

Mr. Sincaglia declared nominations open for the office of President.

Mrs. Alamo read the following statement:

"One year ago, I placed for nomination of Vice President, Mr. John Cafone. I did that because I believe that there are requirements that the leadership

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of any organization must have. Among those required qualifications are a humble touch, that down-to-earth approach to problems, a high level of competence, and a keen sense of compassion. These four together give John Cafone his distinction. Last year, we elected him vice president. He has served us ably and honestly. Therefore, I nominate for President of the Nutley Board of Education, Mr. John Cafone."

Mr. Sincaglia explained that when there is only one nominee it is customary to declare a unanimous ballot unless there was an objection by a member of the Board.

There being no objections, a unanimous ballot was declared by the Board for John Cafone as President.

ELECTION OF VICE-PRESIDENT:

Mr. Sincaglia declared nominations open for the office of Vice-President.

Dr. Parisi stated that he had known Maria Alamo for several years since they both represented their perspective schools on the PT Council. He noted that Mrs. Alamo also served as President of the PT Council and during that time he saw her to be an intelligent and kind woman who had the temerity, honesty and desire to carry programs through and share ideas brought to her with the entire district. He said for the past year he has been her colleague on the Board and again saw her determination and how responsible she is and how seriously she takes her duties. He noted that this was demonstrated with the progress made when she chaired the Policy Committee. Dr. Parisi added that Mrs. Alamo always shows a degree of professionalism and she has the respect of her colleagues, administration and the staff and thinks she would make a great officer to the Board. He said it is with great pleasure that he nominate Maria Alamo for Vice-President of the Nutley Board of Education.

There being no objections, a unanimous ballot was declared by the Board for Maria Alamo as Vice-President.

Mr. Cafone assumed the chair and thanked his colleagues on the Board for giving him the privilege for serving as the Board President. He also thanked his family and friends for their continuing support throughout the year. He stated that it is a nine member Board and he is confident that they can work together with the administration and staff in moving our school district forward in a positive and progressive manner.

Mrs. Alamo thanked Dr. Parisi for his kind words and thanked all her colleagues for their expression of support. She said she accepts this position with pride and gratitude and said today she thanks everyone with words, but after today she will thank everyone through deeds and conduct.

HEARING OF CITIZENS (Resolutions Only):

None

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ADOPTION OF SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS:

Mrs. Alamo 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 regular monthly meetings of the Board of Education of the Township of Nutley be held on the fourth Monday of each month, except as noted otherwise, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That, in accordance with the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act of 1975, the following schedule of meetings be adopted. (Schedule A)

ADOPTION OF POLICIES:

Mrs. Alamo 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 Board of Education of the Township of Nutley hereby adopts for the ensuing year all Bylaws and Policies, Rules and Regulations currently in force.

DESIGNATION OF OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER:

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education designates The Nutley Sun as the official newspaper for meeting notices and hereby directs the Board Secretary to also send meeting notices to the Nutley Journal, Star Ledger and the North Jersey Herald and News.

DEPOSITORY OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SAVINGS ACCOUNTS:

Mr. Del Tufo 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 Valley National Bank be designated as the official depository for the 2002/2003 school year for individual student savings accounts to which deposits are made through the elementary schools.

DEPOSITORY OF SCHOOL FUNDS - Valley National Bank:

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That Valley National Bank be designated the official depository for the following accounts of the Nutley Board of Education for the 2002/2003 school year, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the following officers of the various accounts be authorized to sign checks drawn on the accounts, effective April 29, 2002:

<u>Board of Education, N.J. Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund Account</u>		*John C. Sincaglia or Jean Unglaub
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Nutley High School Class of 1997

John C. Sincaglia and Kathleen C. Serafino	or	Jean Unglaub
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Nutley High School Athletic Account

Angelo Frannicola	and	Joseph Zarra or Joseph Affinito
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School Accounts

<u>Franklin School</u>	John Calicchio or Margaret Murray and Catherine Isabella
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<u>Lincoln School</u>	*Dorothy Mutch and *Linda Layden
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<u>Radcliffe School</u>	Mariana Francioso and Beverly Cullari
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<u>Spring Garden School</u>	Rosemary Clerico and Sophie Caprio
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<u>Washington School</u>	Addie Maffei Boyd and Geraldyn Dwyer
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Yantacaw School

MaryLou Dowse
and
JoAnn Luzzi

*Interim appointment

DEPOSITORY OF HIGH SCHOOL ACCOUNT - Franklin Bank:

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Franklin Bank be designated as the official depository for the Nutley High School Account for the 2002/2003 school year, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the following individuals be authorized to sign checks drawn on this account:

Joseph Zarra or Gregory Catrambone

and

Jacqueline Camelia

DEPOSITORY OF SCHOOL FUNDS - First Union Bank:

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the First Union Bank be designated as the official depository for the following accounts of the Nutley Board of Education for the 2002/2003 school year, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the following officers of the various accounts be authorized to sign checks drawn on the accounts effective April 29, 2002:

Board of Education General Account

Primary Signatory

Alternate Signatory

_____, President or _____, Vice-President

*John C. Sincaglia, Secretary or Jean Unglaub, Manager of Accounts

David Wilson, Treasurer of School Moneys

Board of Education Salary Account

*John C. Sincaglia, Secretary or Jean Unglaub, Manager of Accounts

David Wilson, Treasurer of
School Moneys

Board of Education Cafeteria Account

*John C. Sincaglia, Secretary or Jean Unglaub, Manager of Accounts

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the First Union Bank be authorized to accept facsimile signatures of the check signing machine.

*Interim appointment

INVESTMENT OF FUNDS:

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Secretary/Business Administrator, with the approval of the Superintendent of Schools, be authorized to invest surplus funds of the Board of Education and funds which will be available for a determinate period of time in U.S. Government and Agency Securities, Business Savings Accounts of our designated depository, and Certificates of Deposit and Repurchase Agreements of our local banks, and in any other securities designated by law.

APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR - 2002/2003 School Year:

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

WHEREAS, there exists a need for an annual audit of school accounts, and

WHEREAS, the firm of Lerch, Vinci and Higgins of Fairlawn, NJ is licensed as Public School Accountants and is fully capable of providing this service, and

WHEREAS, Lerch, Vinci and Higgins satisfactorily conducted the school audit in 2001, and will be performing the school audit for the 2001/2002 school year, and

WHEREAS, the Public School Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 18A:18A) provides for the award of contracts for this type of professional service without competitive bidding, and

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WHEREAS, funds are available for this purpose,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Township of Nutley as follows:

1. The firm of Lerch Vinci and Higgins of Fairlawn, NJ is hereby appointed auditors for the accounts of the Board of Education for the 2002/2003 school year at a fee of \$22,200.
2. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a professional service under the provisions of the Public School Contracts law.

APPOINTMENT OF ATTORNEY AND NEGOTIATOR/CONSULTANT:

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

WHEREAS, there exists from time to time a need for legal services and negotiations/consultant services for the Board of Education, and

WHEREAS, funds are available for this purpose, and

WHEREAS, the Public School Contracts Law (NJSA 18A:18A-5) provides for the award of contracts for this type of professional service without competitive bidding, and

WHEREAS, the firm of Gaccione, Pomaco & Beck of Belleville, NJ is well qualified and capable of providing these services,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Township of Nutley that the firm of Gaccione, Pomaco & Beck of Belleville, NJ is hereby appointed Board attorney and negotiator/consultant for the 2002/2003 school year at an hourly rate of \$135.00.

CURRICULUM APPROVAL:

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the curriculum as described in the district selected course guides, courses of study, curriculum guides and program material, listed on the attached Schedule B, be adopted for use in Grades K-12 of the Public Schools of Nutley for the 2002/2003 school year.

LEASE OF BOARD PROPERTY ON OVERLOOK TERRACE:

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

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education leases 20 feet of property owned by it, known as Lot Number 14, Block 212 (Overlook Terrace, rear entrance of Spring Garden School playground), on the tax maps of the Township of Nutley, to John Janiec and Mrs. Anne Janiec, his wife, for a term beginning May 1, 2002 and terminating April 30, 2003, at a term rental of One Dollar (\$1.00) in accordance with all requirements specified in the lease.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Education hereby authorizes its officers to execute said lease.

LEASE - 21 Romano Street:

Mr. Genitempo 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 by the Board of Education that it hereby leases to Nicholas DelMauro, owner of the property known as 21 Romano Street, Nutley, New Jersey, a strip of land 20 feet in width running along the westerly line of the premises of said lessee for the full width thereof, which said premises are listed as Block 18, Lots 45 and 46 in the tax assessor's books of the Township of Nutley, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That said lease be written for a term commencing May 1, 2002 and terminating April 30, 2003, at a term rental of One Dollar (\$1.00), and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Education hereby authorizes its officers to execute said lease.

LEASE - 22 Romano Street:

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

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Township of Nutley, that it hereby leases to Angelo Rotonda, owner of the property known as 22 Romano Street, Nutley, New Jersey, a strip of land 25 feet in width running along the westerly line of the premises of said lessee for the full width thereof, which said premises are listed as Block 18, Lots 78 and 79 in the tax assessor's books of the Township of Nutley, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That said lease be written for a term commencing May 1, 2002 and terminating April 30, 2003, at a term rental of One Dollar (\$1.00), and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Education hereby authorizes its officers to execute said lease.

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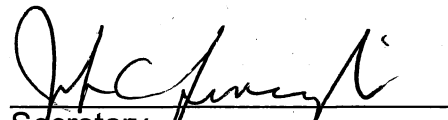
Dr. Serafino welcomed our newly elected Board members, Mr. Sal Olivo and Mr. Gerard Del Tufo, to the Board and stated that she looked forward to working with them. She also congratulated Mr. John Cafone for his reelection to the Board and his appointment as newly elected Board President. She congratulated Mrs. Maria Alamo as newly elected Board Vice-President and stated that she looked forward to working with the entire Board as a unit and plans on progressing forward with initiatives that began during the tenure of the former Board.

ADJOURNMENT:

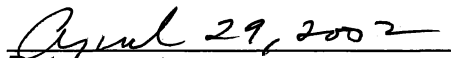
There being no further business to come before the Board on motion of Mr. Pelaia, seconded by Mrs. Alamo the meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.



President



Secretary



Date