NUTLEY BOARD OF EDUCATION

CONFERENCE MEETING DECEMBER 16, 2002

The Nutley Board of Education held a Conference Meeting on Monday, December 16, 2002 in the Board Conference Room, 375 Bloomfield Avenue, Nutley, NJ 07110.

President Cafone opened the meeting at 7:05 PM

MEETING NOTICE

President Cafone stated that in compliance with Chapter 231, Public Law 1975 entitled Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting had been provided as specified in the Act. Said notice was legally advertised in The North Jersey Herald & News on October 19, 2002 and posted at the entrance of the Board of Education offices, mailed to The Nutley Sun, The Star Ledger, and The Nutley Journal and mailed to the Nutley Township Clerk.

FLAG SALUTE

President Cafone led the assembly in the flag salute.

ROLL CALL

Present:

Mrs. Maria Alamo Dr. Philip T. Casale Mr. Gerard Del Tufo Mr. Alan Genitempo Mr. Sal Olivo Dr. Gerard M. Parisi Mr. Joseph C. Pelaia Mr. John Cafone

Absent:

Mr. Alfred R. Restaino, Jr. (arrived 7:10 pm)

Also Present: Dr. Kathleen C. Serafino, Superintendent of Schools Mr. James Mallen, Business Administrator/Board Secretary Dr. James Vivinetto, Assistant Superintendent







ITEMS DISCUSSED

President Cafone entertained questions and concerns from trustees regarding the resolutions on tonight's agenda. Trustee Parisi asked, and Board Secretary Mallen responded to questions about the items in tonight's transfer schedule. Trustee Del Tufo asked, and Board Secretary Mallen responded to, questions about vendors being paid on tonight's bill list. A brief discussion ensued.

At 7:10 p.m. Trustee Restaino arrived. He asked, and Board Secretary Mallen responded to, a question regarding the transfer schedule.

Vice President Maria Alamo questioned why the Board is acting upon the acceptance of a gift of \$3,600 to buy computers for the high school yearbook staff. Superintendent Serafino and Board Secretary Mallen responded.

President Cafone announced that the Board's Facilities Committee would be meeting later this week to discuss the board's alternatives regarding the recently failed bond referendum election. He then asked the trustees for their thoughts and opinions on it. For the next twenty minutes every trustee offered their thoughts and opinions on the options that the board could pursue.

After discussion, the trustees discussed possible timelines if they elected to again seek voter approval on Tuesday, March 11, 2003. The trustees agreed to conduct a Special Meeting on Tuesday, January 7, 2003 to further consider another bond referendum election. In order to comply with a 60-day notice requirement, the trustees agreed to advise and notify the Essex County Superintendent of Elections of its intent to again conduct a special election on March 11, 2003.

Trustee Casale asked for the printing costs and public information consultants costs related to the failed referendum. Board Secretary Mallen agreed to investigate these costs and respond.

Trustee Pelaia asked the board to consider re-instituting a periodic registration program and residency program for all Nutley school children.

MOTION TO ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:55 PM Trustee Parisi moved and Trustee Restaino seconded 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 in the conference room to discuss personnel, and

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EXECUTIVE SESSION

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 motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.

Reconvened open meeting at 8:02 PM

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There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:03 PM on a motion by Trustee Casale, seconded by Trustee Parisi and unanimously approved by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted, S JAMES MALLEN **Board Secretary**