# NUTLEY BOARD OF EDUCATION

# **SPECIAL MEETING MARCH 27, 2003**

The Nutley Board of Education held a Special Meeting on Thursday, March 27, 2003 at the Radcliffe School Multi-Purpose Room, 379 Bloomfield Avenue, Nutley, NJ 07110.

President Cafone opened the meeting at 7:15 PM

**CALL TO ORDER** 

**MEETING NOTICE** 

## 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. Proper notice of this Special Meeting was legally advertised in The North Jersey Herald & News on March 24, 2003. Said notice was also 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. The purpose of this meeting will be for the Board to approve a resolution for a Capital Improvement Plan question to be included on the Annual School Election ballot of April 15, 2003. This is an official meeting.

Formal action will be taken.

FLAG FLAG SALUTE SALUTE

President Cafone led the assembly in the flag salute.

ROLL **ROLL CALL** CALL

Mrs. Maria Alamo Present:

Mr. Gerard Del Tufo Mr. Sal Olivo

Dr. Gerard M. Parisi Mr. Alfred R. Restaino, Jr.

Mr. John Cafone

Absent: Dr. Philip T. Casale

> Mr. Alan Genitempo Mr. Joseph C. Pelaia

Also Present: Mr. James Mallen, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Also Absent: Dr. Kathleen C. Serafino, Superintendent of Schools

Dr. James Vivinetto, Assistant Superintendent Mr. Jonathan Orr, Student Representative, NHS

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**RECESS MEETING** RECESS

At 7:18 PM upon the suggestion of President Cafone, Trustee Restaino moved, Trustee Parisi seconded, and the Board unanimously approved by voice vote a motion to recess the meeting until 3:30 PM on Friday, March 28, 2003 when the exact figures from the state will be available for the Capital Improvement Plan.

#### RECONVENE MEETING - NEXT DAY

RECONVENE **NEXT DAY** 

At 3:30 PM, on Friday, March 28, 2003, Trustee Alamo moved. Trustee Restaino seconded and the Board unanimously approved by voice vote a motion to reconvene the open public meeting.

ROLL **ROLL CALL** CALL

Present: Mrs. Maria Alamo

Mr. Gerard Del Tufo

Mr. Sal Olivo

Dr. Gerard M. Parisi Mr. Alfred R. Restaino, Jr.

Mr. John Cafone

Absent: Dr. Philip T. Casale

> Mr. Alan Genitempo Mr. Joseph C. Pelaia

Dr. Kathleen C. Serafino, Superintendent of Schools Also Present:

Mr. James Mallen, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Also Absent: Dr. James Vivinetto, Assistant Superintendent

Mr. Jonathan Orr, Student Representative, NHS

Trustee Alamo moved and Trustee Del Tufo seconded the following resolution:

# APPROVAL FOR A CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

**APPROVE** CAPITAL **IMPROVEMENT PLAN** 

### PROPOSAL

The Board of Education of the Township of Nutley in the County of Essex, New Jersey is authorized (a) to provide for renovations at Nutley High School, including acquisition and installation of furnishings, equipment and a district wide telephone intercom system and site work; (b) to appropriate therefore \$4,872,673 funded in part by a \$1,949,069 State

grant; and c) to issue bonds of the School District to finance the district's local share of the project in the principal amount of \$2,923,604. The final eligible cost of the project approved by the Commissioner of Education is \$4,872,673. This project includes \$ 0 for school facility construction elements in addition to the facilities efficiency standards developed by the Commissioner of Education or not otherwise eligible for State support pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:7G-5(g). Bonds or notes also are authorized to be issued in anticipation of the receipt of the State grant and in the amount of any portion of the grant not received. By resolution the Board may appropriate interest earnings, capital reserve or general fund surplus if needed for the project.

## INTERPRETIVE STATEMENT

This proposal will authorize the issuance of bonds to pay for the school district's capital project. The total cost of the project is \$4,872,673. The State's share of the project is \$1,949,069 and \$2,923,604 is expected to be raised through the issuance of local school district bonds.

- 2. This Board of Education hereby approves and adopts the proposal set forth above and, subject to the approval of the legal voters of the School District, hereby determines to carry out the same including the construction of the improvements described therein (the "Project").
- 3. This Board of Education hereby acknowledges and confirms that in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:24-16 and 18A:24-17 a supplemental debt statement has been prepared by the chief financial officer of the Township of Nutley, being the only municipality comprised within the school district giving effect to the proposed authorization of bonds of the school district in the maximum amount of bonds authorized in the proposal. The supplemental debt statement has been filed in the office of the Clerk of the Township of Nutley and in the office of the Business Administrator/Board Secretary of this Board of Education prior to the final adoption of the proposal and will be filed in the office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs prior to the Annual election.
- 4. The Business Administrator/Board Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to send a certified copy of the proposal with the interpretive statement to the County Clerk as required by the provisions of Chapter 278 of the Pamphlet Laws of 1995 and to request the County Clerk to arrange for it to be voted on at the Annual Election. The Business Administrator/Board Secretary is further authorized to act on behalf of the Board to

make such determinations required of the Board for the conduct of the election as may become necessary.

- 5. The Board hereby elects to receive a grant under Section 15 of the Educational Facilities Construction and Financing Act, P.L. 2000, c. 72, effective July 18, 2000 (the "Act") as set forth in the proposal authorized herein and to construct the Project itself, including all portions thereof. The Board hereby determines to accept the preliminary eligible costs determined by the Commissioner of Education as final eligible costs and not to appeal the determination of preliminary eligible costs. The Business Administrator/Board Secretary is authorized to notify the Department of Education of the District's election with respect to the eligible costs, the construction of the Project and the desire to receive a grant pursuant to Section 15 of the Act.
- 6. This Board of Education further determines and confirms that the following actions have been taken with respect to the Project and ratifies such actions:
- (a) The educational plans and the schematic plans for the Project, where applicable, have heretofore been approved by this Board of Education, and such approval is hereby reconfirmed.
- (b) The Board President, the Superintendent of Schools, the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, the Project Architect, Bond Counsel and other appropriate representatives of the Board (the "Board Representatives") have heretofore been authorized, and such authorization is hereby reconfirmed, to submit the educational plans and the schematic plans, where applicable, for the Project, together with such other information as may be required, to the State Department of Education for approval and to make application to the Commissioner of Education for approval of the educational plans, the schematic plans and the Project as applicable and, if necessary, any required amendment to the long-range facilities plan, in accordance with the requirements of the Act and N.J.A.C. 6A:26-3.2.
- (c) The Board Representatives have heretofore further been authorized and directed to submit the schematic plans and any other required information to the Planning Board for review and comment, and such authorization and direction is hereby reconfirmed.
- (d) Lee Heckendorn, the School District's appointed architect for the Project, has heretofore been authorized and delegated the responsibility to prepare the plans and specifications for the proposed Project in consultation with and under the supervision of the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, who has heretofore been delegated the responsibility to work with the architect for this purpose on behalf of the Board, and such authorizations and delegations are hereby reconfirmed and ratified, all in accordance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-16.
- 6. The Board hereby authorizes the Board Representatives to take all steps necessary to implement this resolution.

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DISCUSSION DISCUSSION

Trustee Restaino asked if this figure included a 40% reimbursement from the state. Mr. Mallen responded by stating that all the money being spent on the Capital Improvement Plan is eligible for maximum reimbursement by the state. Superintendent Serafino clarified that the 40% is the state's share of the project.

BOARD ACTION BOARD ACTION

The resolution was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

**HEARING OF CITIZENS (Agenda Items Only)** 

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**NONE** 

ADJOURNMENT ADJOURN

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:38 PM on a motion by Trustee Restaino, seconded by Trustee Alamo and unanimously approved by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES MALLEN Board Secretary