

**NUTLEY BOARD OF EDUCATION
ORGANIZATION/REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 28, 2003**

The Nutley Board of Education held a Organization/Regular Meeting on Monday, April 28, 2003 at the Radcliffe School Multi-Purpose Room, 379 Bloomfield Avenue, Nutley, NJ 07110.

Board Secretary Mallen opened the meeting at 7:35 PM

**CALL TO
ORDER**

MEETING NOTICE

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Board Secretary Mallen 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 Organization/Regular Meeting was legally advertised in The Nutley Sun on April 24, 2003. Said notice was also posted at the entrance of the Board of Education offices, mailed to, The North Jersey Herald & News, The Star Ledger, and The Nutley Journal and mailed to the Nutley Township Clerk. The purpose of this meeting will be for the Board of Education to reorganize pursuant to NJSA 18A:10-3.

Formal action will be taken.

FLAG SALUTE

**FLAG
SALUTE**

Board Secretary James Mallen led the assembly in the flag salute.

STATEMENT OF RESULTS OF ANNUAL ELECTION

**STATEMENT
OF
RESULTS**

Board Secretary James Mallen read the following statement:

“On Tuesday, April 15, 2003 the Annual School Election for the Nutley School District was held 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 for the election of three members to the Board of Education for a period of three years, for authorizing the raising of \$35,085,691 in district taxes to support the proposed 2003-04 General Fund Budget and for the Capital Improvement Plan for authorizing the raising of \$2,923,604 in district taxes to support the district's local share of the project.

The results of the election were as follows:

Candidates for 3-year terms

Joseph F. Beckmeyer, Jr.	1,580
James Viola	2,825
Patricia Williams	1,907
Alfred R. Restaino, Jr.	2,290
Maria Alamo	2,422

The candidates elected were: James Viola, Maria Alamo and Alfred R. Restaino, Jr. for three-year terms.

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

Yes	2,474 votes
No	1,977 votes

The question of the tax levy was approved.

The votes for the Capital Improvement Plan were as follows:

Yes	2,423
No	1,907

The question of the Capital Improvement Plan was approved.

To conclude this election report, I wish to say that The Nutley Board of Education appreciates the support and confidence of the Nutley taxpayers which was reflected in your strong support at this election. Our mission is education; and we continue to provide the best education possible for our children, while always being mindful of the cost to our taxpayers.

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

ADMINISTRATION OF OATH TO NEW BOARD MEMBERS

**OATH TO
NEW BOARD
MEMBERS**

Board Secretary Mallen administered the oath of Office to Maria Alamo, Alfred R. Restaino, Jr. and James Viola.

Mr. Mallen welcomed all as members to the Board of Education.

ROLL

ROLL CALL

CALL

Present: Mrs. Maria Alamo
Mr. John Cafone
Mr. Philip T. Casale
Mr. Gerard Del Tufo

Mr. Alan Genitempo
Mr. Sal Olivo
Dr. Gerard M. Parisi
Mr. Alfred R. Restaino, Jr.

Mr. James Viola

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

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

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Board Secretary Mallen announced that he would now accept nominations for President of the Board of Education.

Trustee Casale nominated Maria Alamo for President of the Nutley Board of Education. There being no further nominations, Mr. Mallen declared that the nominations are closed. Board Secretary Mallen explained that when there is only one nominee, it is customary to cast one unanimous ballot unless there was an objection by a member of the Board.

There being no objections, one unanimous vote was cast by the Board for Maria Alamo as President.

Trustee Alamo assumed the chair and announced that she would now accept nominations for Vice President.

Trustee Del Tufo nominated Alan Genitempo for Vice President.

Trustee Restaino nominated Gerard Parisi for Vice President.

Hearing no further nominations, President Alamo declared that the nominations are closed. During the roll call vote, Trustee Parisi acknowledged that Trustee Genitempo had the necessary votes to achieve the vice-presidency. In the spirit of unanimity, Trustee Parisi cast his vote for Trustee Genitempo as vice president. The Board then agreed to declare that one unanimous vote be cast for Alan Genitempo as Vice President.

President Alamo thanked Trustee Casale for his compliments and her fellow Board members for their display of confidence in her.

On behalf of the Nutley Board of Education President Alamo thanked the Nutley community for their support in passing the

budget and the bond referendum in the April 15, 2003 election. She also thanked past Board Presidents, Administration and staff for their support on the facilities plan.

HEARING OF CITIZENS (Agenda Items Only)

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CITIZENS**

Resident Joseph Beckmeyer asked if Resolution 5 - Appointment of Board Attorney is an open-ended contract.

President Alamo responded that it is an hourly rate.

Resident Beckmeyer also asked who set the appraisal rate of \$1/yr. and who carries the insurance on Resolution 11 - Lease of Board Property on Overlook Terrace, Resolution 12 - Lease - 21 Romano Street and Resolution 13 - Lease - 22 Romano Street .

Mr. Mallen responded that the dollar amount was set a long time ago which establishes a contract between the Board of Education and the property owners. He added that it protects the rights of the Board of Education not to forfeit the ownership of this property. Mr. Mallen added that the insurance on that parcel of the property is paid by the Board of Education.

Hearing no further comments, President Alamo closed this portion of the meeting.

ORGANIZATION MEETING RESOLUTIONS

**ORGANIZATION
RESOLUTIONS**

Trustee Cafone moved and Trustee Casale seconded a motion that the Board Approve the Organization Meeting Resolutions numbers 1 through 6 as listed below. Upon a roll call vote the resolutions were unanimously approved.

1. **ADOPTION OF SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS**

**ADOPT
SCHEDULE OF
MEETINGS**

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 annual Schedule of Meetings, as appended to these meeting minutes (Schedule A) be adopted.

2. **DESIGNATION OF OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER**

**DESIGNATE
NEWSPAPER**

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.

3. **INVESTMENT OF FUNDS**

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BE IT RESOLVED that the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, 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 of our local banks, and in any other securities designated by law.

**APPOINTMENT
AUDITOR**

4. APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR - 2003-04 School Year

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 2002, and will be performing the school audit for the 2002-03 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

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 2003-04 school year at a fee of \$23,000.
2. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a professional service under the provisions of the Public School Contracts law.

**APPOINT
BOARD
ATTORNEY**

5. APPOINTMENT OF BOARD ATTORNEY

WHEREAS, there exists from time to time a need for legal 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 & Malanga 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 & Malanga of

Belleville, NJ is hereby appointed Board attorney for the 2003-04 school year at an hourly rate of \$140.00.

**CURRICULUM
APPROVAL**

6. **CURRICULUM APPROVAL**

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 2003-04 school year.

SUPERINTENDENT'S RESOLUTIONS

**SUPT'S
RESOLUTION**

Trustee Cafone moved and Trustee Casale seconded a motion that the Board approve the Superintendent's Resolutions numbers 7 through 9 as listed below. Upon a roll call vote the resolutions were unanimously approved.

7. **APPOINTMENTS – C.A.S.T. Crew**

**APPOINT
C.A.S.T.
CREW**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the following student appointments for the C.A.S.T. Crew at a salary rate of \$7.25 per hour for the 2002-03 school year.

Joseph Carlo
Gerard Tucci

8. **APPOINTMENTS - Summer Custodial Employment**

**APPOINT
SUMMER
CUSTODIANS**

BE IT RESOLVED that the following personnel be employed as summer custodial employees during the months of April, May and June 2003:

	<u>Step</u>	<u>Hourly Rate</u>
Ehsan Aliabadi	1	\$7.25
Joseph Cimo	1	7.25

9. **APPROVAL OF SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION –
Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Technical Education Act**

**APPROVE
SUBMISSION
PERKINS GRANT**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves submission of application for the Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Technical Education Act for the 2003-04 school year in the amount of \$21,432.

BOARD

BOARD SECRETARY'S RESOLUTIONS

**SECRETARY'S
RESOLUTIONS**

Trustee Casale moved and Trustee Restaino seconded a motion that the Board approves the Board Secretary's resolutions numbers 10 through 13 as listed below. The resolutions were approved by roll call vote as follows: Ayes 8, Noes 0 with Trustee Genitempo abstaining on Resolution 10 – Appointment – Suburban Essex Joint Insurance Fund.

**APPOINT
INSURANCE
FUND**

10. APPOINTMENT - SUBURBAN ESSEX JOINT INSURANCE FUND

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education appoints Dennis Oblack as the Alternate Fund Commissioner for the Suburban Essex Joint Insurance Fund.

**LEASE
BOARD
PROPERTY**

11. LEASE OF BOARD PROPERTY ON OVERLOOK TERRACE

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, 2003 and terminating April 30, 2004, 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

12. LEASE OF BOARD PROPERTY - 21 Romano Street

PROPERTY

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education that it hereby leases to Nicholas Del Mauro, 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, 2003 and terminating April 30, 2004, 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
BOARD
PROPERTY**

13. LEASE OF BOARD PROPERTY - 22 Romano Street

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, 2003 and terminating April 30, 2004, 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.

ADJOURNMENT

ADJOURN

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:58 PM on a motion by Trustee Casale, seconded by Trustee Parisi and unanimously approved by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES MALLEEN
Board Secretary