NUTLEY BOARD OF EDUCATION

CONFERENCE MEETING May 12, 2003

The Nutley Board of Education held a Conference Meeting on Monday, May 12, 2003 in the Board Conference Room, 375 Bloomfield Avenue, Nutley, NJ 07110.

President Alamo opened the meeting at 7:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

MEETING NOTICE

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President Alamo 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 Nutley Sun on May 8, 2003 and posted at the entrance of the Board of Education offices, mailed to The Nutley Sun, The Star Ledger, The North Jersey Herald & News and The Nutley Journal and mailed to the Nutley Township Clerk.

ROLL CALL

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Present:

Mr. John Cafone Dr. Philip T. Casale Mr. Gerard Del Tufo Mr. Alan Genitempo Mr. Sal Olivo

Dr. Gerard M. Parisi Mr. James Viola Mrs. Maria Alamo

Absent:

Mr. Alfred R. Restaino, Jr.

Also Present:

Dr. Kathleen C. Serafino, Superintendent of Schools

Dr. James Vivinetto, Assistant Superintendent

Mr. James Mallen, Business Administrator/Board Secretary Mr. Jonathan Orr, Student Representative

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Superintendent Serafino introduced elementary teacher Mary Pagano and announced that she would offer a brief presentation of the new K-8 Art Curriculum to be implemented in the Nutley elementary schools.

Trustees Parisi, Del Tufo, Genitempo and Viola asked questions regarding the Art Curriculum and Mary Pagano responded.

Superintendent Serafino commended all the art teachers for their successes with the Nutley school children and thanked Ms. Pagano for her presentation.

ITEMS DISCUSSED

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World Languages: President Alamo announced that she attended a meeting last week where world language teachers expressed concerns that the state would eliminate the world language requirement in the high school curriculum. Discussion centered on a one year requirement instead of two, and the possibility that world languages may become an elective. Discussion ensued.

Facilities Update: Trustee Cafone provided a summary of the May 5, 2003 Facilities Committee meeting where discussion centered upon the high school revisions as a result of the recently approved referendum. He reviewed the tentative timetable and the details of several parts of the projects.

Trustee Del Tufo asked if the architects and/or construction managers could develop a timetable of projects to be accomplished.

Capital Reserve Account: Board Secretary Mallen recommended, and the Trustees discussed, the possibility of making a deposit into the Board's Capital Reserve Account at its May or June Regular Meeting. Extensive discussion ensued.

Cambridge Heights Revenues: The Trustees again discussed revenues that the board receives for every closing at the Cambridge Heights Condominium complex.

MOTION TO ADJOURN TO SPECIAL MEETING

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At 8:00 PM Trustee Cafone moved, Trustee Parisi seconded, and the Board unanimously approved, by voice vote, a motion to adjourn to open the Special Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES MALLEN Board Secretary