# NUTLEY BOARD OF EDUCATION

# CONFERENCE MEETING June 9, 2003

The Nutley Board of Education held a Conference Meeting on Monday, June 9, 2003 in the Board Conference Room, 375 Bloomfield Avenue, Nutley, NJ 07110.

President Alamo opened the meeting at 7:20 PM

#### **MEETING NOTICE**

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 North Jersey Herald & News on June 6, 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

Present:

Mr. John Cafone Dr. Philip T. Casale Mr. Alan Genitempo Mr. Sal Olivo Dr. Gerard M. Parisi Mr. Alfred R. Restaino, Jr. Mr. James Viola Mrs. Maria Alamo

Absent:

Mr. Gerard Del Tufo

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

#### ITEMS DISCUSSED

#### Student Representative

Student Representative Jonathan Orr announced that this would be his last meeting as Student Council President for the 2002-03 school year. He thanked the Board for their efforts to create the position of student representative to the Nutley Board of Education. He then gave each member a gift

### **CALL TO ORDER**

# **MEETING NOTICE**

# **ROLL CALL**

ITEMS DISCUSSED of an American flag pin as a small token of his appreciation for the Board's graciousness and consideration.

President Alamo, on behalf of the entire board, congratulated Jonathan Orr on his successful service as student representative and thanked him for his insights and contributions.

### **Construction Cost Estimate**

The trustees and administration discussed the recommendation by the Facilities Committee to employ a professional to perform and provide a construction cost estimate of renovations and additions to the Franklin Middle School. The trustees extensively deliberated the need for this estimate. They also deliberated the responsibility to pay for the proposed estimate. In conclusion, the board agreed with President Alamo's suggestion that she and Board Secretary Mallen would meet with architect Lee Heckendorn to discuss the concerns of the trustees.

#### Crossing Guards Expenses

The trustees again discussed the district's past practice of paying for 50% of the total salary costs for Nutley crossing guards since the 1987-88 school year. They again reviewed possible ways to relieve the school district's financial burden for expenses that are clearly a responsibility of the community's Department of Public Safety in almost all NJ communities.

After discussion, the trustees agreed that President Alamo would raise the board's concerns in her individual meetings with the township's commissioners.

#### Cambridge Heights Revenues

The Board discussed the Planning Board resolution regarding revenues to be received from the Cambridge Heights developers.

Trustee Genitempo asked if the administration would check the board meeting minutes to see if the Nutley Board of Education had ever adopted a formal resolution, similar to the one adopted by the Nutley Planning Board, that memorializes the receipt of revenues totaling \$750,000 from the developers of the Cambridge Heights condominiums.

### Coca-Cola Revenues

Trustee Parisi asked if the administration would investigate the revenues from Coca-Cola and advise the trustees. Assistant Dennis Oblack stated that we recently received our second annual payment of \$15,000. He further stated that we are in the second year of a five-year agreement entitling the board to \$15,000 per year for five years.

# MOTION TO ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

# **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 8:10 PM Trustee Cafone moved and Trustee Olivo 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 negotiations, and

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 9:25 PM.

# RECONVENE OPEN MEETING

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There being no further business the meeting was adjourned to Closed Executive Session at 9:25 PM on a motion by Trustee Cafone, seconded by Trustee Olivo and unanimously approved by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted, ÚAMES MALLEN **Board Secretary**