The Nutley Board of Education held a Special Meeting on Tuesday, July 15, 2003 in the Board Conference Room, 375 Bloomfield Avenue, Nutley, NJ 07110.

President Alamo opened the meeting at 7:03 PM

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 July 12, 2003 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.

President Alamo led those in attendance in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

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 Vivinette, Assistant Superintendent
Mr. James Mallen, Business Administrator/Board Secretary
Superintendent Serafino introduced High School Principal Joe Zarra and Director of Guidance Anne Starace. They proceeded to offer a presentation to the Board and public on the GPA Review Committee’s evaluation of the district’s calculation of Grade Point Average (GPA). After the presentation Mrs. Starace offered the Committee’s eight (8) recommendations for the Board’s consideration.

**MOTION TO RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 7:35 PM Trustee Genitempo 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 personnel and legal matters, 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 8:46 p.m.

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

None

**SUPERINTENDENT’S RESOLUTIONS**

Trustee Parisi moved and Trustee Casale seconded a motion that the Board approve the Superintendent’s Resolutions numbers 1 through 6 as listed below.

The Superintendent’s Resolutions numbers 1 through 6 were unanimously approved by roll call vote with the following exception - Trustee Olivo voted no on Resolution 5 - Reappointment - Buildings & Grounds Supervisor.

1. **AMENDING REAPPOINTMENT - Professional Staff**
BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the amending of the resolution, approved at the May 22, 2003 Board Meeting, to reflect a change in the part-time status and salary of Mrs. Heather Monterosa to full-time, $46,141. Upon conclusion of salary negotiations, the salary will be adjusted in accordance with the 2003-04 Teachers' Salary Guide.

2. **APPOINTMENT - Basic Skills Summer Enrichment Program**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the appointment of Mrs. Joann Luzzi as secretary for the 2003 Basic Skills Summer Enrichment Program as part of the 2002-03 Basic Skills Improvement Program, at a salary of $1,200.

3. **APPOINTMENTS - Athletics**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the athletic appointments listed below for the 2003-04 school year, at the classification and step of the 2002-03 Coaches’ Salary Guide as indicated. Upon conclusion of salary negotiations the classification and step will be adjusted in accordance with the 2003-04 Coaches’ Salary Guide:

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4. **APPOINTMENT - RENTAL SECRETARY**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education authorizes the appointment of Gina Marie Russell as a secretary for the 2003-04 school year, effective July 21, 2003 at the annual salary of $25,860 pro-rated (1-7) in accordance with the 2002-03 Secretarial Salary Guide.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the application for emergent hiring as per the state criminal review procedure.

5. **REAPPOINTMENT - BUILDINGS & GROUNDS SUPERVISOR**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the reappointment of Philip Nicolette as Manager of Buildings and Grounds for the 2003-04 school year at a salary to be agreed upon on conclusion of salary negotiations. In the interim between July 1, 2003 and the time said negotiations are successfully concluded, the 2002-03 salary shall be paid.
6. **AMENDING REAPPOINTMENT - Custodial Staff**

Trustee Casale moved, Trustee Parisi seconded and the Board unanimously approved by roll call vote the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the amending of the resolution, approved at the May 22, 2003 Board Meeting, for Russell Stevens to reflect the following changes:

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7. **APPROVE PAYMENT - OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST**

Trustee Genitempo moved, Trustee Casale seconded and the Board unanimously approved by roll call vote the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the payment to Occupational Therapist Donna Cargill for the months of July and August, 2003 at an hourly rate of $55.00 per hour in the total amount not to exceed $1,760.00.

**SECRETARY’S RESOLUTIONS**

1. **BILLS AND MANDATORY PAYMENTS**

Trustee Viola moved, Trustee Cafone seconded and the Board approved by roll call vote the following resolution with Trustee Genitempo abstaining on check numbers 054182, 054209 and 054247.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the payment of bills and mandatory payments dated June 30, 2003 in the total amount of $2,101,968.55 (Appendix A).

**TELECOMMUNICATIONS UPDATE - I. Viemeister**

Ian Viemeister announced that wiring and telephone handsets are presently being installed in the Yantacaw and Spring Garden schools. He stated that he will go to a one-week training program in Chicago, IL and will then be authorized to install and service the Sphere software and hardware.

**FACILITIES IMPROVEMENT PLAN - L. Heckendorn**

Architect Heckendorn also provided a detailed presentation of a revised plan to refurbish the Franklin Middle School. He outlined the plans to extend the school in the back of the building. He offered three options regarding gymnasium and locker room renovations.

The Board, administration and architect extensively discussed several alternatives that could be pursued. Also considered were the costs associated with each of these alternatives.

The Superintendent discussed the possibility of pursuing a Redevelopment Grant to finance renovation and refurbishment costs for the Franklin Middle School. Further discussion ensued. The Board agreed to pursue these grants.

ADJOURN

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned to confidential session at 10:15 PM on a motion by Trustee Genitempo, seconded by Trustee Parisi and unanimously approved by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES MALLEN
Board Secretary