

**NUTLEY BOARD OF EDUCATION
CONFERENCE/SPECIAL MEETING
FEBRUARY 9, 2004**

The Nutley Board of Education held a Special Meeting on Monday, February 9, 2004 in the Board Conference Room, 375 Bloomfield Avenue, Nutley, NJ 07110.

President Alamo opened the meeting at 7:10 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 North Jersey Herald & News on February 7, 2004 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.

FLAG SALUTE

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Trustee Cafone led those in attendance in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

ROLL CALL

**ROLL
CALL**

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. (Arrived 8:55 PM)

Also Present: Dr. Kathleen C. Serafino, Superintendent of Schools
Mr. James Mallen, Business Administrator/Board Secretary
Dr. James Vivinetto, Assistant Superintendent
Commissioners Cocchiola, Evans and Tucci

Also Absent: Miss Meghan Ashley, Student Representative

ITEMS DISCUSSED

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1. Special Presentation

President Alamo introduced Barbara Bohi, a Director with the School Construction Corporation (SCC). Mrs. Bohi offered three possible alternatives for the Board to pursue in addressing the educational needs of the district. The third alternative is to authorize the SCC to completely oversee the intended construction projects. She noted that the Manchester Regional School District was the first non-Abbott school district to voluntarily take advantage of this option.

At 7:25 Trustee Del Tufo left this meeting.

Extensive discussion ensued as questions were asked by the trustees and commissioners, and answered by Mrs. Bohi.

At 8:15 PM Mrs. Bohi left this meeting.

2. Date of Vote on Referendum

President Alamo recommended to the trustees that they discuss the date for a public vote on a Franklin School bond referendum while the three Nutley commissioners are still present.

The trustees then offered their opinions regarding an April vote versus a September vote. The Nutley commissioners also offered their thoughts and opinions regarding their possible support of a future school district bond referendum. Extensive discussion ensued.

On behalf of the Board of Education and the entire community, President Alamo and other trustees expressed sincere appreciation to Commissioners Tucci, Evans and Cocchiola for their attendance and participation at tonight's meeting.

At 8:40 PM the three Nutley commissioners left this meeting.

3. Resolutions for Regular Meeting Agenda

The trustees expressed no concerns regarding the proposed resolutions presented to them tonight.

MOTION TO ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

**EXECUTIVE
SESSION**

At 8:45 PM Trustee Casale moved and Trustee Cafone 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

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.

At 8:55 PM Trustee Restaino arrived.

**RECONVENE
OPEN MEETING**

At 9:15 PM the Board reconvened in open public session on a motion by Trustee Restaino, seconded by Trustee Parisi, and unanimously approved by voice vote.

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Dr. Gerard M. Parisi
Mr. Alfred R. Restaino, Jr.
Mr. James Viola
Mrs. Maria Alamo

Absent: Mr. Gerard Del Tufo
Mr. Sal Olivo

ACTION ITEM

On a motion made by Trustee Restaino, seconded by Trustee Parisi, the following resolution was unanimously approved by roll call vote:

**AGREEMENT WITH EDUCATION ASSOCIATION OF
NUTLEY - 2003-2006**

**AGREEMENT
WITH EAN
2003-2006**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the October 28, 2003 Memorandum of Agreement and the revised salary guides for the successor contract agreement, with the Education Association of Nutley encompassing the terms and conditions of employment for teachers and secretaries for the period July 1, 2003 through June 30, 2006.

President Alamo commended the Board's Negotiations Committee, chaired by Trustee Genitempo, and the EAN

representatives for all of their efforts, diligence, and hard work to achieve this settlement for a successor contract agreement.

Comments from Trustees:

Trustee Viola spoke about a traffic study at Radcliffe School and his request for a report by Phil Nicolette on the conversion of a Radcliffe storage room into an art room.

Trustee Restaino spoke about adjusting the bleachers at the Oval for baseball. He also suggested that file cabinets be removed from elementary school corridors.

Trustee Parisi said that lacrosse parents complained about not using school bathrooms at Spring Garden School. He suggested a letter be sent to Commissioner Orechio for parking at the rear of Franklin School.

ADJOURN

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There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 9:25 PM on a motion by Trustee Genitempo, seconded by Trustee Viola, and unanimously approved by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES MALLEEN
Board Secretary