

**NUTLEY BOARD OF EDUCATION
PUBLIC HEARING/SPECIAL MEETING
MARCH 31, 2004**

The Nutley Board of Education held a Public Hearing/Special Meeting on Wednesday, March 31, 2004 at the Board Conference Room, 375 Bloomfield Avenue, Nutley, NJ 07110.

President Alamo opened the meeting at 6:00 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. Proper notice of this Public Hearing/Special Meeting was:

1. Published in the Nutley Sun on Thursday, March 25, 2004.
2. Posted at the entrance of the Board Office.
3. Mailed or faxed to the Nutley Sun, The Star Ledger, The North Jersey Herald & News, and the Nutley Journal.
4. Mailed or faxed to the Nutley township clerk.

The purpose of this meeting is:

1. Conduct the public hearing on the 2004-2005 school budget.
2. Adopt the 2004-2005 school budget.

Formal action will be taken.

FLAG SALUTE

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SALUTE**

Trustee Cafone led the assembly in the flag salute.

ROLL CALL

**ROLL
CALL**

Present: Mr. John Cafone
Mr. Gerard Del Tufo
Mr. Sal Olivo
Dr. Gerard M. Parisi
Mr. Alfred R. Restaino, Jr.
Mr. James Viola
Mrs. Maria Alamo

Absent: Dr. Philip T. Casale (arrived 6:10 PM)
Mr. Alan Genitempo (arrived 6:05 PM)

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

Also Absent: Miss Meghan Ashley, Student Representative

PUBLIC HEARING ON BUDGET

**PUBLIC
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Trustee Genitempo arrived.

President Alamo thanked the Budget Committee and administrators for their diligence in establishing the proposed 2004-05 School District Budget. She then introduced Board Secretary James Mallen who gave a presentation, overview and summary of the proposed 2004-05 budget.

Trustee Casale arrived.

After Mr. Mallen gave a detailed budget presentation, he thanked all those involved with preparing these detailed and comprehensive documents.

Superintendent Serafino spoke about the 2004-05 School District Budget being fiscally responsible while adding several positions and AP courses.

Trustee Restaino, Budget Chairman, thanked the Budget Committee, Business Department and the administrators involved for their dedication to producing a fiscally responsible budget.

A discussion ensued among the Trustees regarding the budget.

**HEARING OF
CITIZENS**

HEARING OF CITIZENS (Budget Only)

At this time, President Alamo opened this meeting to members of the attending public for comments and/or concerns on the budget.

Resident Ken Reilly asked a question regarding the 2004-05 School District Budget and Board Secretary Mallen responded.

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

ADOPTION OF 2004-2005 BUDGET

**ADOPT
2004-2005
BUDGET A**

Trustee Restaino moved, and Trustee Casale seconded, that the Board approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Township of Nutley approved a tentative budget for the 2004-2005 school year on March 8, 2004 , and

WHEREAS, said tentative budget was properly advertised on March 25, 2004 , and

WHEREAS, the Public Hearing on the budget was conducted on March 31, 2004,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the official budget for the 2004-2005 school year in the following amounts:

General Fund	\$ 43,535,803
Special Revenue Fund	772,100
Debt Service Fund	<u>319,560</u>

Total Budget \$ 44,627,463

Of which the following amount shall be raised by local tax levy:

General Fund Tax Levy	\$ 36,914,550
Debt Service Fund	<u>306,459</u>

Total \$ 37,221,009

and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board also requests approval of the statutory spending Growth Limitation Adjustments as follows:

Enrollment	\$	133,040
Specialized Costs in Excess of \$40,000		94,928
Use of Banked SGLA		<u>683,955</u>
Total	\$	911,923

and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary be authorized to place on the ballot at the Annual School Election to be held on April 20, 2004 the proposal to approve the General Fund tax levy portion of the 2004-2005 school budget. The complete budget for 2004-2005 is attached as APPENDIX A.

The above resolution was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

ADJOURNMENT

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There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:35 PM on a motion by Trustee Casale, seconded by Trustee Viola, and unanimously approved by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES MALLEEN
Board Secretary