The Nutley Board of Education held a Special Meeting on Monday, June 7, 2004 in the Board Conference Room, 375 Bloomfield Avenue, Nutley, NJ 07110.

President Alamo opened the meeting at 6:30 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 June 4, 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.

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

Present: Dr. Philip T. Casale
Mr. John Cafone
Mr. Gerard Del Tufo
Mr. Sal Olivo
Dr. Gerard M. Parisi
Mrs. Maria Alamo

Absent: Mr. Kenneth J. Reilly (Arrived 6:40 PM)
Mr. Alfred R. Restaino, Jr. (Arrived 6:40 PM)
Mr. James Viola

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

1. Dare to Dream Program

Superintendent Serafino introduced CST Director Barbara Hirsch and teacher Sharon Romaglia who explained the Dare to Dream program. They then introduced eight Nutley High School students with special needs who offered a group presentation skit that they wrote. Then each student gave a speech which they wrote individually. In conclusion Superintendent Serafino and President Alamo commended the students and faculty for their successful efforts.

Trustee Reilly, as chair of the board Academic Committee then presented each student, with a framed plaque acknowledging the students accomplishments and achievements.

2. Presentation - Technology Coordinator - Mr. Presuto

Technology Coordinator Rob Presuto presented an explanation and summary of the district’s proposed Three Year Technology Plan. He reviewed its contents and answered questions from trustees. In conclusion, the trustees and administration thanked Rob Presuto for tonight’s presentation and his ongoing efforts.

BOARD ACTION

Trustee Casale moved, and Trustee Reilly seconded, the following resolution:

APPROVAL - Three-Year Technology Plan

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education acknowledges and approves the Technology Plan for the Nutley School district from July 1, 2004 to June 30, 2007.

Upon being put to a roll call vote the resolution was unanimously approved by the Board.

MOTION TO ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:35 PM Trustee Reilly moved, and Trustee Casale 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 contractual 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.

At 8:40 PM the Board reconvened in open public session on a motion by Trustee Casale, seconded by Trustee Parisi, and unanimously approved by voice vote.

ROLL CALL

Present:  Mr. John Cafone  
Dr. Philip T. Casale  
Mr. Gerard Del Tufo  
Mr. Sal Olivo  
Dr. Gerard M. Parisi  
Mr. Kenneth J. Reilly  
Mr. Alfred R. Restaino, Jr.  
Mrs. Maria Alamo

Absent:  Mr. James Viola

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Repairs to Oval

President Alamo recommended that the Board accepts the Facilities Committee’s suggestion that the Priorities Committee address the objective of pursuing the renovations and reparations to the high school Oval. Some trustees questioned why this facility matter is being handled by the Priorities Committee who has historically addressed educational and curricular matters. Board discussion ensued.

2. Grant Writing

Assistant Superintendent Vivinetto summarized recent efforts with a grant writer, Tiffany Bohlin, to submit an application for a grant to refurbish the high school Oval. Board discussion ensued; which included the possible involvement of the Board’s Alternate Funding Committee. The trustees and administration then reviewed the various grants that are available and how this Board might apply for these grants.

3. Advisory Board of Extended Day Program

Trustee Casale recommended to the trustees that the Board of Education consider re-instituting the Advisory and
Governing Board to the Extended Day Program. He distributed a proposal for the make-up of the Board and the possible duties and objectives of this Board.

4. **Lincoln School Floor**

Superintendent Serafino apprised the Board of the deterioration of the classroom B-11 floor at the Lincoln School. She and Business Administrator Mallen explained the steps to be taken during the summer to repair and refurbish the classroom floor.

5. **Modular Classrooms**

Superintendent Serafino apprised the Board of the architect and board attorney's ongoing efforts to prepare necessary paperwork, applications and bid specifications for new modular classrooms.

6. **District Factor Grouping**

Superintendent Serafino apprised the trustees of the intention of the State of New Jersey to change Nutley's District Factor Grouping from D/E to F/G. Brief discussion ensued.

ADJOURN

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 9:55 PM on a motion by Trustee Olivo, seconded by Trustee Casale, and unanimously approved by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES MALLEN
Board Secretary