NUTLEY BOARD OF EDUCATION
CONFERENCE MEETING
NOVEMBER 8, 2004

The Nutley Board of Education held a Conference Meeting on Monday, November 8, 2004 in the Board Conference Room, 375 Bloomfield Avenue, Nutley, NJ 07110.

President Alamo opened the meeting at 7:03 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. Proper notice of this Conference Meeting was provided in the annual notice dated May 3, 2004 and legally advertised in the Nutley Sun on May 13, 2004. Said notice was 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.

This is an official meeting.

FLAG SALUTE

Trustee Del Tufo led the assembly in the flag salute.

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. James Viola  
Mrs. Maria Alamo

Absent:  
Mr. Alfred R. Restaino, Jr. (arrived 7:30 PM)

Also Present:  
Dr. Kathleen C. Serafino, Superintendent of Schools  
Dr. James Vivinnetto, Assistant Superintendent  
Mr. Dennis M. Oblack, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Also Absent:  
Miss Shannon Arroyo, Student Representative
ITEMS DISCUSSED

1. Presentation – Triad Team Coaches

Superintendent Serafino introduced the Triad Team and complimented them on the excellent start of this pilot program.

The Triad Team consisting of Becky Olivo, Noelle Orsini and Lorraine Rubinstein presented a power-point presentation outlining their goals and strategies to implement a professional development program for the district’s teachers.

Trustee Restaino arrived at 7:30 PM.

2. Presentation – Mr. Zarra

Nutley High School Principal Joe Zarra presented an overview of the academic initiatives at Nutley High School summarizing the new courses added to the curriculum and the different programs provided to our high school students.

Trustee Cafone left the meeting at 8:45 PM.

3. Presentation – Mr. Gurgel

Mr. David Gurgel of Energx for America, Inc. (EFA) gave a presentation regarding EFA’s background, their assignments at Nutley’s school district and their facility management program.

After each presentation there was a question and answer period by the trustees relating to the individual subjects.

4. Trustee Del Tufo said that the Request for Proposal (RFP) has been executed for the Oval project.

5. Superintendent Serafino informed the Board that the community forum input regarding the superintendent search will take place on November 22, 2004.

6. Information regarding ID cards for the elementary schools was distributed for review.

7. Trustees Del Tufo suggested that a likely agenda item for the Regular Board Meeting on November 29, 2004 be that CVM Engineers are hired to investigate the structure of the elementary schools.

8. Board Secretary Oblack advised the Board that Lee Heckendorn, Board Architect, recommend approval of a contract with Pennoni for site work for the middle school project.

9. Trustee Restaino discussed his request for input from the other trustees on the budget process.

10. Superintendent Serafino invited the Board to participate in the curriculum mapping workshop on Saturday, November 13, 2004.
11. Trustee Reilly questioned the security at the high school during the CAT program. A discussion ensued.

ADJOURN

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 10:00 PM on a motion by Trustee Restaino, seconded by Trustee Casale, and unanimously approved by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis M. Oblack
Board Secretary