The Nutley Board of Education held a Conference/Special Meeting on Monday, December 6, 2004, in the Board Conference Room, 375 Bloomfield Avenue, Nutley, NJ 07110.

President Alamo opened the meeting at 7:00 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/Special Meeting was legally advertised in the North Jersey & Herald News on December 3, 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 Parisi led the assembly in the flag salute.

ROLL CALL

Present:  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. John Cafone (Arrived 7:12 PM)  
         Mr. Alfred R. Restaino, Jr. (Arrived 7:10 PM)

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

Also Absent:  Miss Shannon Arroyo, Student Representative
MOTION TO ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:03 PM Trustee Casale moved and Trustee Parisi 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 residency, legal and personnel 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.

RECONVENE MEETING

At 7:45 PM Trustee Parisi moved, Trustee Cafone seconded, and the Board unanimously approved by voice vote a motion to reconvene the open public meeting.

ITEMS DISCUSSED

Committee Reports:

1. Trustee Casale – Personnel Committee

Trustees Casale met with P. Siculiatano and C. DeBonis, EAN Representatives, on the Superintendent Search and they requested addressing the Board.

2. Trustee Olivo – Athletic Committee

Trustee Olivo spoke about promotional contests to be held at basketball games during half-time. He also spoke about the $25,000 scholarships and $5,000 football donation provided by the Nutley/Belleville Italian Fiorente Club.

Trustee Restaino suggested a need to review the half-time programs at basketball games. Trustee Parisi questioned potential conflicts with cheerleaders’ routines.

3. Trustee Restaino – Budget Committee

Trustee Restaino stated that the committee met last week to discuss and plan the budget process regarding S1701.
4. Trustee Parisi – Policy Committee

Trustee Parisi stated that several first reading policy additions were approved at the last meeting and additional reviews based on Straus Esmay Policy Alerts will be scheduled.

5. Trustee Cafone – Construction Committee

Trustee Cafone said that there is an analysis being prepared regarding the high school project spending to determine amounts available for stage lighting.

Board Secretary Oblack said that $1.3 million was received from the state.

President Alamo stated that she feels John Cafone should be shown as President and Alan Genitempo and Ken Reilly be included on the plaque in the high school commemorating the major capital project. After a discussion ensued it was agreed that the Construction Committee will make the proposal of who should be named.

6. President Alamo – Academic Committee

President Alamo asked Nancy Kehayes to make a presentation on Coordinator Goals and Objectives.

President Alamo said that the Nutley Education Foundation is going to make a concerted effort to apply for numerous grants.

7. Trustee Del Tufo – Facilities Committee

Trustee Del Tufo spoke about the progression of the Middle School Project and the elementary school referendum.

The trustees had an extended discussion on the appropriate timing for the elementary school referendum.

RESOLUTIONS

1. APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER – LINCOLN SCHOOL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL FAÇADE PROJECT

Trustee Casale moved, and Trustee Cafone seconded, the following resolution. Upon being put to a roll call vote the resolution was unanimously approved.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education accepts the recommendation of CVM Engineers, our Consulting Engineer, and approves Change Order #1 (Appendix A) to our contract with Masonry Preservation Services, Inc. for the Lincoln Elementary School Facade Stabilization Project. The contract with Masonry Preservation Services, Inc. will reflect an increase or (decrease) in the amount as follows:
Change Order #1  9/22/04  $(11,718.00)

2. APPROVAL OF BOND REFERENDUM IN SEPTEMBER 2005 FOR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLANS

Trustee Del Tufo moved, and Trustee Parisi seconded, the following resolution. Upon being put to a roll call vote the resolution was approved with the following exception:

1. Trustee Olivo voted No on this resolution.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NUTLEY IN THE COUNTY OF ESSEX, NEW JERSEY AS FOLLOWS:

1. DCM Architecture Inc., the school district’s appointed architect for the proposed capital program, is hereby authorized and delegated the responsibility in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:18-16 to prepare the scope of work for the proposed elementary school capital improvement program in consultation with and under the supervision of the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, who is hereby delegated the responsibility to work with the architect for this purpose on behalf of the Board.

2. This Board of Education hereby intends to hold a special election on September 27, 2005 between the hours of 2:30 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. as permitted and required by law in order to vote on one or more school bond proposals, subject to approval of the Project by the Department of Education. The form of the proposals, consistent with the approval of the Department of Education, will be adopted by this Board of Education at a subsequent meeting.

3. The Board President, the Superintendent of Schools, the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, the Project Architect, Bond Counsel and other appropriate representatives of the Board are hereby authorized to take all steps necessary to implement this resolution. The Business Administrator/Board Secretary is further authorized and directed to request the County Clerk, the County Board of Elections, the County Superintendent of Elections and the Municipal Clerk to conduct the special election, and the Business Administrator/Board Secretary is authorized to act on behalf of the Board to make such determinations required of the Board for the conduct of the election.

3. DISENROLLMENT OF PUPIL

Trustee Reilly moved, and Trustee Del Tufo seconded, the following resolution. Upon being put to a roll call vote the resolution was unanimously approved.
BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the disenrollment of student BJ who was not domiciled in the Township of Nutley as of December 6, 2004 and whose name is on file in the office of the Superintendent of Schools, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this student be removed from the Nutley Public School District no later than 21 days after legal notification unless the student's parents or guardians provide to the Superintendent of Schools acceptable proof of domicile in the Township of Nutley, or appeal this decision to the Commissioner of Education pursuant to law, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education reserves the right to pursue a claim for tuition for any ineligible periods of attendance.

ITEMS DISCUSSED

Trustee Cafone discussed the facility needs of Yantacaw School and requested that the Facilities Committee consider their needs in the development of the scope of work for the Elementary School Plan.

Trustee Olivo questioned the impact of the apartments approved for Center Street and if there were any impact fees involved.

Trustee Casale suggested contacting Angelo Cifelli to investigate the possibility of getting impact fees.

President Alamo spoke about the Friends of Nutley Singers hosting a competition at the high school.

Assistant Superintendent Vivinetto spoke about the schedule developed for the lockdown of the schools.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:30 PM on a motion by Trustee Casale, seconded by Trustee Reilly, and unanimously approved by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis M. Oblack
Board Secretary