The Nutley Board of Education held a Conference/Special Meeting on Monday, May 9, 2005 in the Board Conference Room, 375 Bloomfield Avenue, Nutley, NJ 07110.

President Parisi opened the meeting at 6:30 PM.

MEETING NOTICE

President Parisi 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 provided on May 5, 2005. 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 Casale led the assembly in the flag salute.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mrs. Maria Alamo
Mr. Philip T. Casale
Mr. Vincent Moscaritola
Mr. Sal Olivo
Mr. Kenneth J. Reilly
Mr. James Viola
Dr. Gerard M. Parisi

Absent: Mr. Gerard Del Tufo (Arrived 7:30 PM)
Mr. Alfred R. Restaino, Jr. (Arrived 6:45 PM)

Also Present: Mr. Joseph Zarra, Superintendent of Schools
Dr. James Vivinetto, Assistant Superintendent
Mr. Dennis M. Oblack, Business Administrator/Board Secretary
Discussion Items

Presentation:

Superintendent Zarra introduced Nancy Kehayes, Coordinator of Business/Tech. Education and Tarik Huggins, Business/Creative Arts teacher, both of whom gave a presentation on the Culinary Arts Program and their future plans for the program.

A discussion ensued among the Board. Mrs. Kehayes and Mr. Huggins answered several questions from the Trustees.

Trustee Restaino arrived.

Committees:

Trustee Restaino, Finance/Budget Committee Chairperson, thanked the Committee, Administration and the other Trustees for all the work which resulted in the passage of the budget and the second question.

Superintendent Zarra thanked Trustee Restaino and the taxpayers for their support.

Trustee Restaino requested that work begin immediately on the replacement of the high school gym floor.

Trustee Alamo asked Trustee Restaino if the current work being done on Franklin Avenue in front of the Oval would impact the Oval project. Trustee Restaino answered that professional would be doing test borings to determine the work required to alleviate ground water problems.

Trustee Viola, Community Relations Committee, indicated that sponsors are being secured for the next issue of the newsletter.

Trustee Alamo announced that the Nutley Education Foundation has received a $5,000 grant to be used for advertising. Board Secretary Oblack stated that he had recently received information on possible ideas for fund raising that he would pass on to the new chairperson of the Alternate Funding Committee and to the Nutley Education Foundation.

Superintendent Zarra discussed the status and plans for the re-registration of students. President Parisi indicated that he has asked Trustees Alamo and Moscaritola to work as an ad hoc committee for re-registration. Trustee Alamo thanked Superintendent Zarra for championing the re-registration program.

Superintendent Zarra recommended declaring the day after Memorial Day an additional holiday as has been customary when all weather days have not been used.

Superintendent Zarra indicated that he is investigating sponsorships for the TV station.
Elementary School Referendum:

President Parisi asked board architect Lee Heckendorn to give a status report on plans addressing the elementary school facility needs. Mr. Heckendorn discussed the latest cost estimates and answered several questions from the Trustees.

Trustee Del Tufo arrived at 7:30 PM.

A discussion ensued on various alternatives for presentation to the voters.

Mr. Heckendorn gave an updated report on the status of the Franklin Middle School project. He answered several questions the trustees presented.

MOTION TO ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 8:40 PM Trustee Casale moved and Trustee Reilly 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 adjourn to closed executive session at this time 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.

RECONVENE MEETING

At 9:00 PM Trustee Alamo moved, Trustee Restaino seconded, and the Board unanimously approved by voice vote a motion to reconvene the open public meeting.

HEARING OF CITIZENS (Resolutions Only)

None

RESOLUTIONS

Trustee Del Tufo moved, and Trustee Olivo seconded, a motion that the Board approves the Reorganization Meeting Resolutions numbers 1 through 5 as listed below.
The Resolutions 1 through 5 were unanimously approved by roll call.

1. **RETIREMENT – Elementary French Teacher**

   BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the acceptance of the retirement of Mrs. Arlene Baldino, Elementary French Teacher, effective July 1, 2005.

2. **RETIREMENT – Mathematics Teacher**

   BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the acceptance of the retirement of Mrs. Carol A. Rizzo, high school mathematics teacher, effective July 1, 2005.

3. **RESIGNATION – George E. Moreo**

   BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education accepts the resignation of George E. Moreo, Computer Technician, effective June 1, 2005.

4. **APPOINTMENT – Teacher Substitute**

   BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the appointment of Miss Theresa Locascio as a teacher substitute, effective May 16, 2005 for the 2004/2005 school year, at the per diem rate of $70.00, in accordance with the per diem rate established by the Board of Education.

5. **APPROVAL OF PROJECT MONITORING SERVICES FOR ASBESTOS REMOVAL**

   WHEREAS there exists a need for project monitoring services for asbestos removal for the Franklin Middle School addition and renovation project, and

   WHEREAS the firm of Westchester Environmental, LLC of West Chester, PA is qualified and capable of performing these services, and

   WHEREAS Westchester Environmental, LLC has submitted a proposal acceptable to the Board for these services, and

   WHEREAS N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5a provides for the award of contracts for this type of professional service without competitive bidding.

   NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Township of Nutley approves Westchester Environmental, LLC Proposal No. WE05-04R2 dated April 29, 2005 as per the recommendation of architect Lee Heckendorn of DCM Architecture, Inc. and Alan Ianuzzi of Tri-Tech Engineering, Construction Manager.
ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:08 PM on a motion by Trustee Viola, seconded by Trustee Olivo, and unanimously approved by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis M. Oblack
Board Secretary