NUTLEY BOARD OF EDUCATION CONFERENCE/SPECIAL MEETING JULY 6, 2005

The Nutley Board of Education held a Special Meeting on Monday, July 6, 2005 in the Board Conference Room, 375 Bloomfield Avenue, Nutley, NJ 07110.

President Parisi opened the meeting at 7:35 PM.

ORDER

MEETING NOTICE

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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 Special Meeting was provided on June 29, 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

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Trustee Alamo led the assembly in the flag salute.

ROLL CALL

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Present:

Mrs. Maria Alamo Dr. Philip T. Casale Mr. Gerard Del Tufo Mr. Vincent Moscaritola

Mr. Sal Olivo

Mr. Alfred R. Restaino, Jr. Dr. Gerard M. Parisi

Absent:

Mr. Kenneth J. Reilly

Mr. James Viola

Also Present:

Mr. Joseph Zarra, Superintendent of Schools

Dr. James Vivinetto, Assistant Superintendent

Mr. Dennis M. Oblack, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

ADJOURN EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION TO ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:38 PM Trustee Del Tufo moved and Trustee Moscaritola 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 procedures for conduct at Board meetings, 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 7:50 PM Trustee Alamo moved, Trustee Olivo seconded, and the Board unanimously approved by voice vote a motion to reconvene the open public meeting.

Mr. Oblack explained the purpose of the two resolutions being presented.

President Parisi gave a synopsis of discussions at prior meetings regarding specific questions to be proposed in the September 27, 2005 referendum. President Parisi asked Superintendent Zarra to give his comments regarding the issue. Superintendent Zarra commented on the significant needs in the elementary schools and the urgency of addressing these needs immediately given the dwindling availability of funds from the State.

President Parisi introduced Alan Ianuzzi of Tri-Tech Engineering who introduced John Agostini who has been employed by Tri-Tech as an on-site Project Manager for the Franklin Middle School Renovation Project.

President Parisi asked Board Architect Lee Heckendorn to review the status of the Franklin Middle School Project and Mr. Heckendorn indicated that request for bids had been advertised and several requests for bid documents had been received. Mr. Heckendorn indicated that the project was on schedule. President Parisi also asked Mr. Heckendorn to update the Board regarding the meeting with the Department of Education facilities representatives. Mr. Heckendorn indicated that these individuals strongly advised against posing the questions on a building systems basis. He also stated that the state officials confirmed their belief that state funds will not be available after the September referendum date.

RECONVENE

Trustee Moscaritola indicated that a contingency plan was needed in case the September Referendum fails.

President Parisi asked whether any of the trustees felt that there was not a need to proceed with the full scope of work proposed. No trustees indicated such an opinion.

Trustee Casale discussed the two most recent proposals i.e., two questions with three schools each or three questions with two schools each. Discussion was also held on a contingency plan of appealing to the Commissioner of Education in the event of a failure of a September referendum.

Trustee Restaino discussed his preference for a one-question referendum. Trustee Alamo discussed her reasoning for concurring with Trustee Restaino. Mr. Olivo suggested a two-question referendum. A discussion ensued on all topics.

HEARING OF CITIZENS (Resolutions Only)

None

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RESOLUTIONS

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Trustee Olivo moved, and Trustee Moscaritola seconded, the following resolution. Upon being put to a roll call vote the resolution was approved.

1. APPROVAL OF THE NUMBER OF SCHOOL BOND PROPOSAL QUESTIONS TO BE INCLUDED ON THE BALLOT OF THE SPECIAL ELECTION ON SEPTEMBER 27, 2005

APPROVE BOND QUESTION

WHEREAS at a Special Meeting on December 6, 2004, the Board of Education of the Township of Nutley authorized 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 to take all steps necessary to conduct a special election on September 27, 2005, in order to vote on one or more school bond proposals for elementary school capital improvements,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Township of Nutley reaffirms said authorization, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board directs the appropriate representatives of the Board to develop two questions to be voted on, subject to approval of the Projects by the New Jersey Department of Education, as follows:

Question #	Schools/Facilities
1 .	Lincoln, Spring Garden, Washington
2	Radcliffe, Nutley High School, Yantacaw, Park Oval

and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board approves the contingent status of question 2 such that passage of question 2 is contingent on the passage of question 1.

Trustee Restaino moved, and Trustee Casale seconded, Resolutions 2 and 3.

Upon being put to a roll call vote Resolutions 2 and 3 were unanimously approved.

2. AMEND RESOLUTION FOR ALLOCATION OF SALARIES – FEDERALLY FUNDED PROGRAMS

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the amendment of Resolution 10 from the Regular Public Meeting on May 23, 2005 reflect the salary of Mrs. Laura Reilly being paid out of Title I Funds as 30% of her regular salary of \$41,288, which is \$12,386.

3. ACCEPTANCE OF TEMPORARY CLASSROOM UNIT LEASE PURCHASE AGREEMENT

WHEREAS the Nutley Board of Education has determined that a true and very real need exists for the acquisition of a Temporary Classroom Unit and related equipment at Yantacaw School described in the Lease Purchase Agreement #40018732 with Commerce Bank appended hereto as Appendix A, and

WHEREAS the Nutley Board of Education has taken the necessary steps, including any legal bidding requirements, under applicable law to arrange for the acquisition of such Equipment.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Nutley Board of Education that the terms of said Lease Purchase Agreement are in the best interests of Nutley Board of Education for the acquisition of such Equipment, and the Nutley Board of Education designates and confirms the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, Dennis M. Oblack to execute and deliver, the Lease Purchase Agreement.

AMEND ALLOCATION FEDERALLY FUNDED PROGRAMS

ACCEPT TEMP. CLASSROOM LEASE/PURCHASE YANTACAW .

ADJOURNMENT

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There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:25 PM on a motion by Trustee Restaino, seconded by Trustee Olivo, and unanimously approved by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis M. Oblack Board Secretary