

**NUTLEY BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 17, 2006**

The Nutley Board of Education held a Regular Meeting on Monday, April 17, 2006 at the Nutley High School Library, 300 Franklin Avenue, Nutley, NJ 07110.

President Parisi opened the meeting at 8:05 PM.

**CALL TO
ORDER**

MEETING NOTICE

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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 Regular Meeting was provided in the annual notice dated 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

**FLAG
SALUTE**

Trustee Viola led the assembly in the flag salute.

ROLL CALL

**ROLL
CALL**

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

Absent: Mr. Alfred R. Restaino, Jr. (Arrived 8:30 PM)

Also Present: Mr. Joseph Zarra, Superintendent of Schools
Mr. Michael DeVita, Acting Board Secretary
Ms. Marissa Ryder, Student Representative

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**APPROVE
MINUTES**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the following minutes:

- April 5, 2006 - Conference Meeting
- April 3, 2006 - Conference Meeting
- April 3, 2006 - Closed Executive Session
- March 28, 2006 - Public Hearing/Special Meeting
- March 27, 2006 – Regular Meeting
- March 27, 2006 - Closed Executive Session
- March 27, 2006 – Conference Meeting

Trustee Alamo moved, Trustee Del Tufo seconded, and the Board approved by voice vote a motion to approve the minutes.

CORRESPONDENCE

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A thank-you note from Marcy McKenzie for the Board's expression of sympathy on the passing of her father.

A variance notice regarding property at 467 Chestnut Street being 200 feet within school property.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

SUPT'S REPORT A

Superintendent Zarra presented the Superintendent's Report dated April 17, 2006, Schedule A, which is appended to the minutes of this meeting, and briefly summarized its contents.

Trustee Alamo, Board Representative for FONS, then introduced Mr. Cundari and the Chamber Singers who presented the Board with their many prestigious awards received this year.

President Parisi congratulated Mr. Cundari and all the students in the choir groups for their accomplishments this year.

Superintendent Zarra complimented Mr. Cundari for his commitment and applauded his talent.

BOARD SECRETARY'S REPORT

**BOARD
SECRETARY'S
REPORT**

Acting Board Secretary DeVita presented the Board Secretary's resolutions 1 – 13 listed on the agenda. He also reminded everyone to vote in the Annual School Election tomorrow.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

**COMMITTEE
REPORTS**

Trustee Viola - Nutley Adult School Liaison

Trustee Del Tufo - Facilities Committee
Oval Committee

Ms. Ryder - Student Representative

Trustee Restaino arrived at 8:30 PM.

HEARING OF CITIZENS (Resolutions Only)

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CITIZENS**

Resident Terry Quirk, representative for the Nutley Parent Advocacy Network, suggested putting the Bylaws and Committees and their functions on the website.

SUPERINTENDENT'S RESOLUTIONS

**SUPT'S
RESOLUTIONS**

Trustee Olivo moved, Trustee Del Tufo seconded, a motion that the Board approves the Superintendent's Resolutions numbers 1 through 7 as listed below.

Resolutions 1 through 7 were unanimously approved by roll call vote.

1. **RESIGNATION – Teacher**

**RESIGN
TEACHER**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the acceptance of the resignation of Julianne Philp, elementary music teacher, July 1, 2006.

2. **LEAVE OF ABSENCE – Teacher**

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE
TEACHER**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves an extension of a childrearing leave of absence for Laura Giangeruso for the 2006-07 school year with the provision that she notify the Superintendent of Schools of further teaching intentions no later than April 1, 2007.

3. **REINSTATE – Teacher**

**REINSTATE
TEACHER**

BE IT RESOLVED that the State Board of Examiners "Order of Revocations," as per February 27, 2006 Board meeting Addendum, is vacated and the certificates of Lawrence Tuorto are once again valid, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, Lawrence Tuorto be reinstated to his position as teacher in the Nutley School District, effective April 5, 2006.

**APPOINT
TEACHER SUB B**

4. APPOINTMENTS – Teacher Substitutes

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the appointments of the teacher substitutes listed on the attached Schedule B for the 2005-06 school year.

**AGREEMENT BETWEEN
NBOE & TRANSPORTATION
EMPLOYEES C**

**5. AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE NUTLEY BOARD OF EDUCATION
AND PUPIL TRANSPORTATION EMPLOYEES 2005 –2008**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the Agreement Between the Nutley Board of Education and the Transportation Employees July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2008 encompassing the terms and conditions of employment and salary schedule for transportation employees as attached (Schedule C).

**EXTRA
COMP**

6. EXTRA COMPENSATION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the following personnel be paid extra compensation in the amounts indicated for services rendered:

**PAYMENT FOR HEALTH DYNAMICS CLASSES –
Month of March, 2006**

Rose Cioffi \$250.00

**PAYMENT FOR ZERO PERIOD – S.R.A. CLASSES –
Month of March, 2006**

Leann Martin \$168.00
David Sorensen 168.00

**PAYMENT FOR FILMING BOE MEETING
March 27, 2006**

Matthew McQuillen \$ 22.50

**PAYMENT FOR SPRING SAT REVIEW CLASSES –
March 1,7,8,14,15,21,22,28 and 29, 2006**

Jennifer Hecht \$935.28
Leann Martin 935.28
Cheryl Rowe 935.28

**CENTRAL DETENTION COVERAGE –
March, 2006**

High School

Lori Ferrara	\$112.62
Robert Harbison	18.77
AnneMarie Kowalski	18.77
Marcellino Marra	18.77

Lawrence Mitschow	75.08
Nicholas Norcia	93.85
Joseph Simko	300.32
Lisa Vallo	206.47

Franklin School

Jennifer Ambrose	93.85
Joseph Cappello	56.31
Tracy Egan	93.85
Louis Manganiello	56.31
MaryLou Schiavone	18.77
Janine Thomas	18.77
LuAnn Zullo	18.77

**SATURDAY MORNING SUSPENSIONS –
March, 2006**

High School

Lori Ferrara	\$313.80
Marcellino Marra(HS/FMS)	313.80
Lawrence Mitschow	78.45
Lisa Vallo	235.35

Franklin School

Jennifer Ambrose	156.90
Joseph Cappello	78.45
Louis Manganiello	78.45

PAYMENT FOR CAT PROGRAM – Spring 2006

Kimberly Algieri	\$1,402.92
Rosemary Clerico	104.80
MaryLou Dowse	104.80
Helen Doyle-Marino	1,385.60
Tracy Egan	1,385.60
Nicole Ferraro	1,524.16
Mariana Francioso	209.60
Cynthia Healy	209.60
Barbara Hirsch	2,096.00
Dawn Gerbino	1,385.60
Flavia Groeling	1,385.60

Suzanne Hagert	1,385.60
Gail Kahn	1,558.80
Angelica Marra	1,524.16
Denise Mazza	1,870.56
Dennis Pandolfi	1,697.36
Erika Pavlecka	1,524.16
Joniene Ryder	1,385.60
Louis SanGiovanni	1,697.36
Jill Sarubbi	1,247.04
Janice Schoem	1,316.32
Joseph Simko	1,870.56
Margot Smith	1,524.16
Christina Stendardi	1,524.16
Maria Strumolo	1,524.16
Veronica Zoltowski	1,385.60

Substitutes

Jennifer Ambrose	138.56
Nicholas Norcia	692.80

**SPECIAL CLASS
PLACEMENT**

7. SPECIAL CLASS PLACEMENT – Educationally Disabled Student

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education authorizes the attendance of a student in out-of-district special education classes for the 2005-06 school year as follows:

<u>School</u>	<u>No. of Students</u>	<u>Classification</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Tuition</u>
Allegro School Cedar Knolls, NJ	1	Autistic	4/18/06	\$15,510.00

APPOINT BA/BS

8. APPOINTMENT - Business Administrator/Board Secretary

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

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the appointment and employment agreement of Robert Green as Business Administrator/Board Secretary for the period June 19, 2006 through June 30, 2008 at the annual salary of \$99,000 (prorated) for 2005-06 school year, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board approves the appointment of Robert Green as Business Administrator/Board Secretary for the 2006-07 school year at an annual salary of \$99,000, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board approves the appointment of Robert Green as Business Administrator/Board Secretary for the 2007-08 school year at an annual salary to be determined.

9. CHANGE OF JOB TITLE - Administrative Assistant To Assistant to the School Business Administrator

CHANGE JOB TITLE TO ASSISTANT TO BA

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

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves a change of job title and amendment to the employment agreement for Michael DeVita as Assistant to the School Business Administrator, and

BE IT FURTHER RESERVED that Michael DeVita be paid additional compensation for the 2005-06 school year for performing additional duties as Acting Board Secretary since January 23, 2006 in the amount of \$5,000.

APPROVE MODERN PROGRAM G

10. APPROVAL OF NUTLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT MODERNIZATION PROGRAM

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

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the adoption of the "Nutley School District Modernization Program" to upgrade and modernize its existing schools as attached (Appendix G).

APPROVE ED SPECS

11. APPROVAL OF EDUCATIONAL SPECIFICATIONS AND SCHEMATICS FOR FACILITY IMPROVEMENT PLANS

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

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, has heretofore been authorized and delegated the responsibility in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:18-16 to prepare plans and specifications for the proposed capital program in consultation with and under the supervision of the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, who has heretofore been delegated the responsibility to work with

the architect for this purpose on behalf of the Board, and such authorizations and delegations are hereby reconfirmed and ratified, all in accordance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-16.

2. The educational plans and the schematic plans for the construction of the improvements to the district's school facilities (the "Project") are hereby approved in substantially the form submitted at this meeting with such changes as directed by this Board of Education and prepared under the supervision of the Business Administrator/Board Secretary.

3. The Board President, the Superintendent of Schools, the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, the Project Architect, Bond Counsel and other appropriate representatives of the Board have heretofore been authorized and such authorization is hereby reconfirmed, to submit the educational plans and the schematic plans for the Project to the State Department of Education for approval and to make application to the Commissioner of Education for approval of the educational plans, the schematic plans and the Project and for any necessary amendment to the Long Range Facilities Plan in accordance with the requirements of the Educational Facilities Construction and Financing Act, P.L. 2000, Ch. 72, effective July 18, 2001 (the "Act"), and N.J.A.C. 6A:26-3.2.

4. This Board of Education will hold a special election on September 26, 2006 between the hours of 2:30 PM and 9:00 PM 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.

5. 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.

NON-RENEWAL OF TEACHING CONTRACTS

12. NON-RENEWAL OF TEACHING CONTRACTS

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

1. Trustees Moscaritola and Reilly abstained pursuant to law.

BE IT RESOLVED that the contracts of the following non-tenured teachers not be renewed for the 2006/2007 school year:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>P/T</u>
Barrett, Erin	
Bergen, Abigail	
Bocchino, Dara	
Bresnan, Susan	
Brodowski, Margaret	
Cancelliere, Danielle	p/t .5
Cardinale, Luke	
Constante, Joseph	
Coppola, Alicia	
DiCristo, Daniel	
DiGiacomo, Dana	p/t .5
DiGregorio, Steven	
Dingwell, Susan	p/t .5
D'Urso, Tina	
Echevarria, Melissa	
Fierro, Emanuela	p/t .5
Francia, Frank	
Fredricks, Deanna	
Frusteri, Michelle	
Gabriele, Patrick	
Gratz, Katianne	
Grella, Jaimee	
Groeling, Flavia	p/t .5
Hardie, Megan	
Hollywood, Kelly	p/t .5
Huggins, Tarik	
Hungler, Johanna	
Inguanti, Connie	p/t .5
Isiminger, Crispulo	
Jernick, Jessica	
Jousset, Courtney	
Klecak, Karen	
Knobloch, Jennifer	
LoCurcio, Carol	
Maddi, Jacqueline	
Maggiano, Pamela	
Maher, Mary Anne	
Maiello, John	
Markovic, Nikola	p/t .5
Marra, Claudia	
McQuade, Michael	
Miller, Rebecca	
Mischel, Darren	
Moscaritola, Holly	

Naumoff, Michael
Orsini, Noelle
Osetto, Danine p/t .5
Pate, Tara
Pavlecka, Erika p/t .5
Peters, Janine
Piacenza, Valerie
Picard, Mark
Piro, Joseph
Polk, Christine
Reilly, Laura
Rusert, Kimberly p/t .5
SanGiovanni, Nicole
Sasso, Frank
Schellato, Nicolette
Simko, Joseph
Smith, Peter
Sorrentino, Lynn
Stark-Houck, Sandra Lynne
Surmatis, Anthony
Syme, Heather
Tirri, Stephanie
Tiene, Debra p/t .5
Vernaleken, Erin
Weiss, Jennifer
Zaros, Stephanie Ann
Zarra, Donna

**NON-RENEWAL OF
INSTRUCTIONAL AIDES**

13. NON-RENEWAL OF INSTRUCTION AIDE

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

BE IT RESOLVED that the contracts of the following instructional aides not be renewed for the 2006/2007 school year:

Alu, Antoinette
Battaglia, Kristen
Callaghan, Maureen
Carbone, Janet
Carment, Mary
Ciccolella, Nicoletta
Cristiano, Kathleen
DeAngelo, Margaret
Gianfrancesco, Cindy
Imperiale, Lynn

Luzzi, Donna
Meola, Nadine
Paterno, Mari-Angela
Polito, Barbara
Ponzoni, Janet
Pucci, Annette
Rosamilia, Melissa
Russonella, Jacqueline
Sarno, Barbara
Tesei, Lesley
Tucci, Linda
Venable, Mary
Weiss, Yvonne

**BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR/
BOARD SECRETARY'S RESOLUTIONS**

**BA/BOARD
SECRETARY'S
RESOLUTIONS**

Trustee Reilly moved, and Trustee Del Tufo seconded, a motion that the Board approves the Business Administrator/Board Secretary's Resolutions numbers 1 through 13 as listed below.

The Business Administrator/Board Secretary's Resolutions 1 through 13 was approved by roll call vote.

1. **SECRETARY & TREASURER'S REPORT**

**SECY. & TREAS. A
REPORTS B**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the acknowledgement and acceptance of the reports of the Board Secretary (Appendix A) and Treasurer of School Monies (Appendix B) for the period of March 31, 2006.

2. **CERTIFICATION OF MAJOR ACCOUNT FUND STATUS**

**CERTIFICATION
MAJOR ACCOUNT
FUND STATUS**

BE IT RESOLVED that pursuant to NJAC 6A:23-2.11(c) 4, the Nutley Board of Education certifies that as of March 31, 2006, after review of the Secretary's monthly financial report (Appropriations section) and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, to the best of its knowledge no major account or fund has been over-expended in violation of NJAC 6A:23-2.11(b) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year. (Major funds are General Fund, Capital Projects and Debt Service.)

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| 3. <u>BILLS AND MANDATORY PAYMENTS</u> | BILLS &
MANDATORY
PAYMENTS | C |
| <p>BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the payment of bills and mandatory payments dated April 17, 2006 in the total amount of \$5,924,659.30 (Appendix C).</p> | | |
| 4. <u>REQUESTS FOR USE OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS</u> | USE OF BUILDINGS
AND GROUNDS | D |
| <p>BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the requests for the use of school buildings and grounds (Appendix D), that conform to the rules and regulations set by the Board of Education.</p> | | |
| 5. <u>TRANSFER SCHEDULE</u> | TRANSFER
SCHEDULE | E |
| <p>BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves, in compliance with NJAC 6A:23-2.11(c)3ii, and NJSA 18A:22-8-1, the transfers in the 2005-06 budget dated March 31, 2006 in the amount of \$106,000.00 as appended (Appendix E).</p> | | |
| 6. <u>AMEND APPROVAL OF PARTIAL PAYMENT TO TRU-VAL ELECTRIC CORP.</u> | AMEND
APPROVE PARTIAL PAY
TRU-VAL ELEC. CORP | |
| <p>BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the amending of the resolution, approved at the March 27, 2006 Board Meeting, to reflect a change in the amount to \$183,884.26.</p> | | |
| 7. <u>APPROVAL OF PARTIAL PAYMENT TO CHANREE CONSTRUCTION CO.</u> | APPROVE PARTIAL PAY
CHANREE CONSTRUCTION CO. | |
| <p>BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves partial payment in the amount of \$318,549.00 to Chanree Construction Co. for the Franklin Middle School Additions and Alterations Project as per the recommendation of the Board's architect and construction manager.</p> | | |
| 8. <u>APPROVAL OF PARTIAL PAYMENT TO A. PFLUGH, INC.</u> | APPROVE PARTIAL PAY
A. PFLUGH, INC. | |
| <p>BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves partial payment in the amount of \$132,610.42 to A. Pflugh, Inc. for the Franklin Middle School Additions and Alterations Project as per the recommendation of the Board's architect and construction manager.</p> | | |

**APPROVE PARTIAL PAY
TRU-VAL ELECTRIC CORP.**

**9. APPROVAL OF PARTIAL PAYMENT TO TRU-VAL
ELECTRIC CORP.**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves partial payment in the amount of \$99,264.20 to Tru-Val Electric Corp. for the Franklin Middle School Additions and Alterations Project as per the recommendation of the Board's architect and construction manager.

**APPROVE PARTIAL PAY
SPARTA STEEL CORP.**

**10. APPROVAL OF PARTIAL PAYMENT TO SPARTA
STEEL CORP.**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves partial payment in the amount of \$167,090.00 to Sparta Steel Corp. for the Franklin Middle School Additions and Alterations Project as per the recommendation of the Board's architect and construction manager.

**APPROVE PARTIAL PAY
BILL LEARY AIR COND.
& HEATING**

**11. APPROVAL OF PARTIAL PAYMENT TO BILL LEARY
AIR CONDITIONING & HEATING**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves partial payment in the amounts of \$532,640 and \$67,120 to Bill Leary Air Conditioning & Heating for the Franklin Middle School Additions and Alterations Project as per the recommendation of the Board's architect and construction manager.

**APPROVE BOARD BYLAWS
1ST READING**

12. APPROVAL OF BOARD BYLAWS- First Reading

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board approves the revision to the following Bylaws at this first reading.

Bylaws 0155 – Board Committees Appendix F

**2006-07 TRAVEL
MAXIMUM**

13. 2006-07 BUDGET SCHOOL DISTRICT TRAVEL MAXIMUM

Whereas, school district By-Law 0147 Board Member Compensation and Expenses, Policy 3440 Teaching Staff Members Job Expenses and Policy 4440 Support Staff Members Job Expenses, and NJAC 6A:23b-1.2(b), provide that the Board of Education shall establish in the annual school budget a maximum expenditure amount that may be allotted for such travel and expense reimbursement for the 2006-07 school year, and

Whereas, the budget adopted by the Board of Education on March 28, 2006 included funds for travel and travel-related expenses in accordance with the above by-law, policies and NJ Administrative Code Regulations,

Now Therefore Be It Resolved, that the BOE hereby establishes the school district travel maximum for the 2006-07 school year in the sum of \$55,200, as contained in the appropriate budgetary accounts, and

Be It Further Resolved, that the Board Secretary/Business Administrator shall track and record these costs to insure that the maximum amount is not exceeded.

HEARING OF CITIZENS

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Resident Loujs Pastena expressed his concerns regarding the Elementary 4th grade English textbooks.

Resident Terry Quirk, representative for the Nutley Parent Advocacy Network, asked a question regarding last month's bill list and how much will be spent on running another referendum.

Resident Donna Ferrara asked if it was possible for trustees that are not present at board meetings to submit an absentee ballot for their vote on resolutions.

Commissioner Tucci asked the Board if they would join the Commissioners in rededicating DeMuro Park Soccer Field as Michael Geltrude Field.

Superintendent Zarra and Board President Parisi responded to the above questions.

OLD BUSINESS

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

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

**RENAME
DEMURO PARK**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the renaming of DeMuro Park Soccer Field to Michael Geltrude Field.

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

Trustee Restaino thanked the Administration, Teachers, Staff, fellow Board Members and the people of Nutley for their dedication and for giving him the opportunity to serve the Community for nine years.

President Parisi and Superintendent Zarra recognized Al Restaino for his nine years of dedication to the Board and congratulated him on behalf of the Board.

Trustee Casale said he would be missed personally as well as professionally.

ADJOURNMENT

ADJOURN

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:12 PM on a motion by Trustee Restaino, seconded by Trustee Casale, and unanimously approved by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael DeVita
Acting Board Secretary