

**NUTLEY BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 26, 2007**

The Nutley Board of Education held a Regular Meeting on Monday, February 26, 2007, at the Nutley High School Cafeteria, 300 Franklin Avenue, Nutley, NJ 07110.

President Olivo opened the meeting at 8:00 PM.

**CALL TO
ORDER**

MEETING NOTICE

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NOTICE**

President Olivo stated that in compliance with Chapter 231, Public Law 1975 entitled Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting was legally advertised in the Nutley Sun on September 28, 2006. 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 Reilly 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
Dr. Gerard M. Parisi
Ms. Patricia Williams

Absent: Mr. James Viola

Also Present: Mr. Joseph Zarra, Superintendent of Schools
Mrs. Mariana Francioso, Assistant Superintendent of Schools
Mr. Robert A. Green, Jr., Business Administrator/Board Secretary
Mr. Aaron DaSilva, Student Representative

RECOGNITION OF AWARDS A

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Special awards were given to students for both their academic and athletic achievements, Schedule A, which is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

RECESS MEETING

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At 8:55 PM upon the suggestion of President Olivo, Trustee Casale moved, Trustee Reilly seconded, and the Board unanimously approved by voice vote a motion to recess.

RECONVENE MEETING

RECONVENE

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

APPROVE MINUTES

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

- February 12, 2007 - Conference/Special Meeting
- February 12, 2007 - Closed Executive Session
- January 22, 2007 - Regular Meeting
- January 22, 2007 - Closed Executive Session

Trustee Reilly moved, Trustee Del Tufo seconded, and the Board unanimously approved by voice vote a motion to approve the minutes as listed.

CORRESPONDENCE

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A thank-you note from Assemblyman Scalera for the Board's expression of sympathy on the passing of his father.

A thank-you note from Roe Clerico for the Board's expression of sympathy on the passing of her mother.

A variance notice regarding property at 119 Crestwood Avenue being 200 feet within school property.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

SUPT'S REPORT A

Superintendent Zarra presented the Superintendent's Report dated February 26, 2007, Schedule A, which is appended to the minutes of this meeting, and briefly summarized its contents.

**BOARD
SECRETARY'S
REPORT**

BOARD SECRETARY'S REPORT

Board Secretary Green introduced his assistant Mike DeVita who then gave a Food Service Report. In summary, the food service is saving the district money and it is projected that the guarantee will be met.

Time was allowed for comments and questions from the Board.

**COMMITTEE
REPORTS**

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Aaron DeSilva - Student Representative Report

Trustee Del Tufo - Facilities Committee

Trustee Del Tufo - Negotiations Committee
(On behalf of
Trustee Viola)

Trustee Casale - Finance Committee

Trustee Parisi - Personnel Committee

Trustee Alamo - Academic Committee

Time was allowed for comments and questions from the Board after each committee report.

A discussion ensued on the topic of school uniforms among the Board. A copy of a survey on school uniforms was requested by the Board for review.

HEARING OF CITIZENS (Resolutions Only)

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CITIZENS**

Time was allowed for comments and questions from the public on resolution items only.

SUPERINTENDENT'S RESOLUTIONS

**SUPT'S
RESOLUTIONS**

Superintendent Zarra removed Resolution 11 – Approval of Calendars – 2007-08 School Year from the agenda.

Trustee Parisi moved, Trustee Moscaritola seconded, a motion that the Board approves the Superintendent's Resolutions numbers 1 through 10 and 12 through 14 as listed below.

Resolutions 1 through 10 and 12 through 14 were approved by roll call vote with the following exceptions:

1. Trustees Reilly and President Olivo abstained on Resolution 10 – Extra Compensation.

**RETIREMENTS
PROF STAFF**

1. RETIREMENTS – Professional Staff

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the acceptance of the retirement of the following personnel, effective July 1, 2007:

Rachel Daly	-Elementary Teacher
Anne Laudadio	-Elementary Art Teacher
Sally Magin	-Elementary Teacher (Spec. Ed.)
Arlene Nardiello-Carey	-Elementary Teacher
Jeanne Neilley	-Middle School Teacher
Keiko Ohtaka	-Speech Therapist

**RESIGNATION
ATHLETICS**

2. RESIGNATIONS – Athletics

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the resignation of the following coaches:

Judith Ann McIntyre	-Assistant Crew Coach
Mario Peluso	-Assistant Football Coach
Valerie Piacenza	-Assistant Cheerleading Coach

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE
TEACHER**

3. LEAVE OF ABSENCE – Teacher

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves an extension of a childrearing leave of absence for Mrs. Nicole Crowe from February 15, 2007 through March 30, 2007, with a return date of April 2, 2007.

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE
TEACHER**

4. LEAVE OF ABSENCE – Teacher

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves a childrearing leave of absence for Mrs. Bethany Anne Turro effective March 19, 2007 through June 8, 2007, with a return date of June 11, 2007.

**APPOINT BOE
EXTENDED DAY**

5. APPOINTMENT – BOE Extended Day Program

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the appointment of Ms. Elizabeth DeMunno as a part-time substitute Child Care Aide for the 2006-07 school year at the hourly rate of \$12.75, effective February 27, 2007.

**APPOINT
TEACHER SUBS B**

6. 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 2006-07 school year.

**APPOINT
ATHLETICS**

7. APPOINTMENT – Athletics

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the appointment of Mrs. Jill Divilio as Assistant Crew Coach for the 2006-07 school year, at the salary of \$4,850 Step 4, in accordance with the 2006-07 Athletic Salary Guide.

**APPOINT
VOLUNTEER COACH**

8. APPOINTMENTS – Volunteer Coach

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the appointments for the personnel listed below for the 2006-07 school year:

Amanda Giordano -Volunteer Softball Coach
Judith McIntyre -Volunteer Crew Coach

**APPOINT
SUBS**

9. APPOINTMENTS – Substitutes

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the following substitutes for the 2006-07 school year:

School Aide:

Norma Arteaga-Pezo
Lisa Marie DeToma

School Bus Aide:

Leah Lehansky

**EXTRA
COMP**

10. 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 January, 2007**

Rose Cioffi	\$250.00
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**PAYMENT FOR ZERO PERIOD BASIC SKILLS MATH
CLASSES – Month of January, 2007**

Leann Martin	\$336.00
David Sorensen	336.00

**PAYMENT FOR SPEAKER INSTALLATION –FMS –
January 23, 24, 30, 31, 2007**

John Schwarz \$737.77

**PAYMENT FOR FAMILY MATH PROGRAM – During
Weeks of January 8 to January 31, 2007**

Dolores Contreras \$540.48
Carla Cullari 540.48
Doreen Holland 540.48
Sheryl Holly 540.48
Courtney Jousset 540.48
Marcy McKenzie 540.48
Rebecca Olivo 540.48
Christina Osieja 540.48
Lorraine Rubinstein 540.48
Kevin Smyth 540.48

PAYMENT FOR STAR LAB – February 3, 2007

Carol Perrone \$315.28
Joanne Tibaldo 315.28

**PAYMENT FOR MENTORING NOVICE TEACHERS –
2005-06 and 2006-07 school year**

Denise Cleary \$550.00
Michele Cristantiello 550.00
Carol Gurney 550.00
Arlene Nardiello-Carey 550.00
Jill Sorensen 550.00
Jenifer Wilson 550.00

**CUSTODIAL COMMITTEE PAYMENT –
January 24, 2007**

Steven Farese \$30.00
Allan Heinis 30.00
Lawrence T. Koster 30.00
Christopher Weinstein 30.00

**CENTRAL DETENTION COVERAGE –
Month of January, 2007**

High School

Frank DiPiano \$ 56.31
Lori Ferrara 168.93
Michael Russomanno 187.70
Heather Syme 56.31
Michael Tirrito 93.85
Lisa Vallo 262.78

Franklin School

Jennifer Ambrose	\$ 37.54
Joseph Cappello	56.31
Tracy Egan	150.16
Louis Manganiello	56.31
Nicholas Norcia	37.54
Laura Reilly	18.77
Luann Zullo	37.54

**SATURDAY MORNING SUSPENSIONS –
Month of January, 2007**

High School

Joseph Affinito	\$270.24
Lori Ferrara	313.80
Marcellino Marra NHS(FMS)	313.80
David Sorensen	78.45
Lisa Vallo	235.35

Franklin School

Joseph Cappello	156.90
Melissa Echevarria	78.45
Nicole Flynn	78.45

**REMOVED FROM
AGENDA**

11. APPROVAL OF CALENDARS – 2007-08 School Year

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the adoption of the following attached calendars for the 2007-08 school year:

School Calendar -Schedule C
Calendar for Twelve-Month Employees -Schedule D

**APPROVE
STIPEND**

12. APPROVAL OF STIPEND

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the stipend for the Black Seal License of \$500 (prorated) for Edward Miller effective January 5, 2007.

**APPROVE
LONGEVITY**

13. LONGEVITY PAY

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the following longevity payment:

Allan Heinis -\$1,400(prorated)-Eff.March 1, 2007 (10 yrs.)
Lisa Maniscalco -\$2,900(prorated)-Eff.Jan.1,2007 (20 yrs.)

**SPECIAL CLASS
PLACEMENT**

14. SPECIAL CLASS PLACEMENT – Educationally Disabled Student

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education authorizes the attendance of students in out-of-district special education classes for the 2006-07 school year as follows:

<u>School</u>	<u>No. of Students</u>	<u>Classification</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Tuition</u>
Clearview School Wayne, NJ	1	SLD	2/15/07	\$16,563.75
Clearview School Wayne, NJ	1	MD	2/26/07	\$16,122.05

MEMORIAL

15. Memorial Mrs. Irene Lichtenberg

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

WHEREAS, it is with a sense of deep sorrow and regret that the Nutley Board of Education records the death of Mrs. Irene Lichtenberg on February 6, 2007, and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Lichtenberg was employed by the Nutley Board of Education for over 20 years, retiring as a school bus driver.

WHEREAS, Mrs. Lichtenberg won the respect of all those with whom she came in contact for her dedication to the Nutley School District,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the Township of Nutley extends deepest sympathy to the members of her family, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED , That this resolution be made a part of the minutes of this meeting and a copy sent to the members of her family.

**BOARD
SECRETARY'S
RESOLUTIONS**

BOARD SECRETARY'S RESOLUTIONS

Trustee Moscaritola moved, Trustee Casale seconded, a motion that the Board Table Resolution 13 – Resolution Authorizing Proposal for Certain Financial Advisory Services Adopted by the Board of Education of the Township of Nutley in the County of Essex, New Jersey.

Upon being put to a vote the motion did not carry due to a tie vote with Trustees Alamo, Del Tufo, Williams and President Olivo voting “No” and Trustees Casale, Moscaritola, Parisi and Reilly voting “Yes”.

Trustee Del Tufo moved, Trustee Parisi seconded, a motion that the Board approves the Board Secretary’s Resolutions numbers 1 through 18 as listed below.

Resolutions 1 through 18 were unanimously approved by roll call vote with the following exceptions:

1. Trustee Reilly abstained on Resolution 3 – Bills and Mandatory Payment – check #72267.
2. Trustee Moscaritola abstained on Resolution 3 – Bills and Mandatory Payment – check #72205.
3. Trustees Casale and Moscaritola voted “No” on Resolution 12 – Approval of Agreement with DCM Architect & Engineering LLC and Resolution 13 - Resolution Authorizing Proposal for Certain Financial Advisory Services Adopted by the Board of Education of the Township of Nutley in the County of Essex, New Jersey.

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

1. SECRETARY & TREASURER'S REPORT

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 January 31, 2007.

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 January 31, 2007, 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 Outlay and Debt Service.)

3. **BILLS AND MANDATORY PAYMENTS** **BILLS & MANDATORY C**
- BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the payment of bills and mandatory payments dated February 27, 2007 in the total amount of \$6,947,313.13 (Appendix C).
4. **REQUESTS FOR USE OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS** **USE OF BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS D**
- 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.
5. **TRANSFER SCHEDULE** **TRANSFER SCHEDULE E**
- 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 2006-07 budget dated January 31, 2007 in the amount of \$150,053.51 as appended (Appendix E).
6. **TRANSPORTATION AGREEMENTS** **TRANSPORTATION AGREEMENTS**
- BE IT RESOLVED that the Nutley Board of Education approves the Board Secretary to be authorized to enter into transportation agreements with contractors, other school districts or the Essex County Educational Services Commission for the transportation of Special Education students for the 2007-08 school year, and
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any such agreements be presented for ratification at the next succeeding meeting of the Board of Education.
7. **ADOPTION OF POLICY (Second Reading)** **ADOPT POLICY F
2ND READING**
- BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education adopts the following policy (second reading) on file in the Business Office:
- Policy # 5330 Administration of Medication (Appendix F)
8. **ADOPTION OF POLICY (First Reading)** **ADOPT POLICY G,H
1ST READING I,J**
- BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education adopts the following policies (first reading) on file in the Business Office:
- Policy #2412 Homebound Instruction (Appendix G)

Policy #2417	Pupil Intervention and Referral Services	(Appendix H)
Policy #2481	Home or Out-of-School Instruction for General Education Pupils	(Appendix I)
Policy #7441	Electronic Surveillance in School Buildings and School Grounds	(Appendix J)

**APPROVE
CHANGE ORDER K**

9. APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER FOR ADDITIONS AND ALTERATIONS TO FRANKLIN MIDDLE SCHOOL

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the recommendations from DCM Architecture, Inc., our Architect, and Tri-Tech Engineering, our Construction Manager, for Change Order #1 through Change Order #6, on file in the Business Office (Appendix K), for Additions and Alterations to Franklin Middle School. The contract with Sparta Steel Corporation will reflect an increase in the amounts as follows:

	<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Change Order #1	11/5/06	\$ 937.56
Change Order #2	11/5/06	\$ 3,054.17
Change Order #3	11/5/06	\$ 2,665.57
Change Order #4	11/5/06	\$ 1,324.03
Change Order #5	6/26/06	\$ 9,497.44
Change Order #6	11/6/06	\$ 1,914.31

**APPROVE
CHANGE ORDER L**

10. APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER FOR ADDITIONS AND ALTERATIONS TO FRANKLIN MIDDLE SCHOOL

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the recommendations from DCM Architecture, Inc., our Architect, and Tri-Tech Engineering, our Construction Manager, for Change Order #5 and Change Order #7 through Change Order #12, on file in the Business Office (Appendix L), for Additions and Alterations to Franklin Middle School. The contract with Chanree Construction Co., Inc. will reflect an increase in the amount as follows:

Change Order #5	8/23/06	\$ 10,441.78
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Change Order #7	1/18/07	\$	290.00
Change Order #8	1/23/07	\$	6,882.36
Change Order #9	1/23/07	\$	4,353.77
Change Order #10	1/23/07	\$	2,467.95
Change Order #11	1/23/07	\$	6,358.45
Change Order #12	1/23/07	\$	3,632.43

**APPROVE AGREEMENT
CVM ENGINEERS**

11. APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT – CVM Engineers

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education, upon attorney review and approval, approve the Proposal Memorandum for Engineering Services for CVM Engineers to implement a program of repairs and improvements to various school buildings in accordance with the recently passed referendum as follows:

Fees & Expenses:

Professional Services – fixed fee:	\$1,073,750
CVM direct reimbursable expenses (automobile travel, lodging, meals, document reproduction, photographic, over-night delivery) – NTE limit:	50,000
Contractor direct reimbursable expenses (labor, incidental materials, equipment rentals, and per diems) – NTE limit:	40,000
Material testing direct expenses (field and/or laboratory examination and testing) – NTE limit:	<u>5,000</u>
Grand Total Fees & Expenses	\$1,168,750

**APPROVE AGREEMENT
DCM ARCHITECT**

12. APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT – DCM ARCHITECT & ENGINEERING LLC

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education, upon attorney review and approval, approve the standard form of agreement between the Nutley Board of Education and DCM Architect & Engineering, LLC for the additions and rehabilitation of six schools in the Nutley School District as follows:

Fixed Fees of \$1,925,000 based on 8.5% of the construction cost budgeted plus contingencies.

Partial fee for services prior to referendum approval shall be \$60,000.

**APPROVE AGREEMENT
ACACIA FINANCIAL GROUP**

**13. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PROPOSAL FOR CERTAIN
FINANCIAL ADVISORY SERVICES ADOPTED BY THE
BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NUTLEY
IN THE COUNTY OF ESSEX, NEW JERSEY**

WHEREAS, there exists a need for specialized financial advisory services in connection with the authorization and the issuance of School Bonds by The Board of Education of the Township of Nutley in the County of Essex, New Jersey (the "Board"), a body corporate of the State of New Jersey, including the review and compilation of financial and demographic information of the School District; obtaining the appropriate credit enhancements for the school bonds; structuring the various terms and conditions associated with the school bonds; and general advice to the Board about the various financial aspects of the financing; and

WHEREAS, such financial advisory services can be provided only by a recognized firm specializing in public finance, and the firm of Acacia Financial Group, Inc., Mount Laurel, New Jersey is so recognized by the financial community; and

WHEREAS, funds are or will be available for this purpose;

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

1. The firm of Acacia Financial Group, Inc., Mount Laurel, New Jersey is hereby retained to provide specialized financial advisory services necessary in connection with the authorization and the issuance of the school bonds by the Board in accordance with a Proposal submitted to the Board (the "Proposal"), in the amount of \$22,500.

2. The Proposal is awarded without competitive bidding in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5(a)(2) because such services are considered extraordinary and unspecifiable in their nature.

3. A copy of this resolution as well as the Proposal shall be placed on file with the Secretary of the Board.

**ACCEPT
AUTISM GRANT**

14. ACCEPTANCE OF AUTISM GRANT

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education accepts The Governor's Initiative on Autism Discretionary Grant in the amount of \$700,000.

**APPROVAL
OF PAYMENT**

15. APPROVAL OF PAYMENT

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the payments to the following individuals in the amounts owed to them for opting out of their insurance coverage.

Last Name	First Name	Amount
Hill Trovato	Hillary	\$ 433.32
Ippolito	Doretta	\$ 433.32
Jernick	Linda	\$ 433.32
Groeling	Flavia	\$ 433.32
Santoriello	Rosa	\$ 433.32
Rizzi	Michele	\$ 433.32
Bolcato	Donna	\$ 433.32
Stoffers	Michael	\$ 433.32
Frost Guzzo	Jane	\$ 433.32
Zarra	Donna	\$ 433.32

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

16. APPROVAL OF PARTIAL PAYMENT TO TRU-VAL ELECTRIC CORP.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves partial payment in the amount of \$54,522.30 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
CHANREE CONSTRUCTION CO.**

17. APPROVAL OF PARTIAL PAYMENT TO CHANREE CONSTRUCTION CO.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves partial payment in the amount of \$693,819.41 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.

**APPROVE PARTIAL PAY
SPARTA STEEL CORP.**

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

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves partial payment in the amount of \$37,283.19 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.

HEARING OF CITIZENS

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CITIZENS**

Resident Terry Quirk representative for the Nutley Parent Advocacy Network thanked all who contributed for their input on the Autism Grant. She also expressed her concern for the upcoming testing at Franklin Middle School and the distraction of the construction. She then introduced Crystal Madison to speak to the Board concerning Channel One.

Crystal Madison addressed the Board and asked questions of concern on the viewing of Channel One.

President Olivo asked if Ms. Madison could meet with Mr. Catrambone and Mr. Zarra to discuss the matter privately.

Resident Greg Palma stated he has a petition of 1,110 signatures to place the name change on the Budget Ballot for public vote.

President Olivo asked for a motion to place a question for the name change on a ballot. No motion was made.

Resident Sally Bolland stated she is not in favor of the name change. She also stated she felt there was public support for a school uniform.

Resident Greg Palma stated that DeMuro Field is not Geltrude Park.

Resident Lisa DeFabio expressed her concern for the nutritional value of the school lunches being served at Washington School.

Resident Terry Quirk stated her concern for the school lunch and the nutritional contents.

Mr. Zarra stated with Mr. Moscaritola that the Board should have a presentation on nutrition from Dowling Food Service.

Mrs. Quirk also provided input on the school uniforms. She suggested the parents and children need to be on the same page.

OLD BUSINESS

Trustee Casale stated he would like to be able to enter into dialog with Greg Palma concerning the Franklin Middle School name change.

He stated he was not comfortable with a public vote, but suggested a non-binding public vote. He stated he would like to offer dialog from the Board on the matter.

Trustee DelTufo stated this is a matter of opinion. This situation is becoming distasteful and the Board is willing to hear input but also felt it is a Board decision.

Trustee Alamo stated she recalls the issue of changing Yantacaw School. She also stated the greatest tribute you can make to an educator is to name a building after him/her.

An open discussion ensued among the public and the various Board Members on the subject of the Franklin Middle School name change.

NEW BUSINESS

Trustee Parisi asked about the use of the gym at Spring Garden and also inquired on the Gifted & Talented Program and the commitment of the Administration to the program.

The Administration reassured the commitment and gave a brief outline of the program.

Trustee Reilly announced that he would not be running as a candidate for the Board of Education and thanked all who have offered him support during his tenure.

President Olivo complimented Trustee Reilly for his contributions to the Board.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:09 PM on a motion by Trustee Alamo, seconded by Trustee Reilly, and unanimously approved by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert A. Green, Jr.
Board Secretary

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

ADJOURN