

**NUTLEY BOARD OF EDUCATION
OPEN PUBLIC MEETING
APRIL 20, 2009**

The Nutley Board of Education held a Public Meeting on Monday, April 20, 2009 at the Board Conference Room, 315 Franklin Avenue, Nutley, NJ 07110.

President Casale opened the meeting at 7:00 PM.

**CALL TO
ORDER**

MEETING NOTICE

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NOTICE**

President Casale 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 Open Public Meeting was provided in the annual notice of May 12, 2008. 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**

President Casale led the assembly in the flag salute.

ROLL CALL

**ROLL
CALL**

Present: Mrs. Maria Alamo
Dr. Philip T. Casale
Mr. Angelo Frannicola
Mr. James A. Kuchta
Mr. Vincent Moscaritola
Mr. Steven Rogers
Mr. Walter Sautter
Ms. Patricia Williams

Absent: Mr. Kenneth Reilly

Also Present: Mr. Joseph Zarra, Superintendent of Schools
Mrs. Mariana Francioso, Assistant Superintendent of Schools
Mr. Michael DeVita, Business Administrator/ Board Secretary

**EXECUTIVE
SESSION**

MOTION TO ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:04 PM Trustee Alamo moved, and Trustee Frannicola 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 to discuss the following:

Legal Issues
Student Matter
Personnel Matter

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 approved by voice vote.

RECONVENE MEETING

RECONVENE

At 8:05 PM Trustee Frannicola moved, Trustee Alamo seconded, and the Board unanimously approved by voice vote a motion to reconvene the public meeting.

The meeting reconvened in the JHWMS Choir Room located at 325 Franklin Avenue, Nutley, NJ.

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President Casale led the assembly in a moment of silence and the flag salute.

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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MINUTES**

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

- April 6, 2009 – Open Public Meeting
- April 6, 2009 – Closed Executive Session
- March 23, 2009 – Open Public Meeting
- March 30, 2009 – Public Hearing/Open Public Meeting
- March 30, 2009 – Closed Executive Session

Trustee Kuchta moved, Trustee Rogers seconded, and the Board minutes were unanimously approved.

President Casale made a motion, and Trustee Kuchta seconded, that Trustee Alamo take over the meeting as President for her last meeting on the Board after serving for nine years.

Upon being put to a roll call vote the motion was approved with the following exception:

1. Trustee Alamo abstained.

Trustee Alamo thanked President Casale and her fellow Board Members and wished them success and luck in their future endeavors.

President Alamo then took the seat and finished conducting the Board Meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE

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None

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

SUPT'S REPORT A

Mr. Zarra honored Mr. Vitkovsky and the teachers in the Music Department throughout the district for their dedication and hard work in making Nutley School District one of the best 100 Districts for Music in all of America.

The Board Members and the Administration spoke positively about all the accomplishments of the music program.

RECESS MEETING

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At 8:25 PM upon the suggestion of President Alamo, Trustee Kuchta moved, Trustee Casale seconded, and the Board unanimously approved by voice vote a motion to recess.

RECONVENE MEETING

At 8:30 PM Trustee Kuchta moved, Trustee Frannicola seconded, and the Board unanimously approved by voice to reconvene the meeting.

Mr. Zarra presented the Superintendent's Report dated April 20, 2009, Schedule A, which is appended to the minutes of this meeting, and briefly summarized its contents.

BOARD SECRETARY'S REPORT

Mr. DeVita spoke about the district's bus inspection by the state, the JHWMS pictures in the American School Magazine and the school budget.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Trustee Rogers spoke about Earth Day and thanked Mr. Kearny, Radcliffe School Principal, for the great work at Radcliffe School .

HEARING OF CITIZENS (Resolutions Only)

None

SUPERINTENDENT'S RESOLUTIONS

Trustee Frannicola moved, and Trustee Casale seconded, a motion that the Board approves the Superintendent's Resolutions numbers 1 through 7 as listed below.

The Superintendent's Resolutions numbers 1 through 7 were unanimously approved by roll call vote.

1. **LEAVE OF ABSENCE – Teacher**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the extension of a Family Leave Act for Mrs. Michele Rizzi, effective April 6 through May 8, 2009.

2. **LEAVE OF ABSENCE – Teacher**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves a childrearing leave of absence for Mrs. Rebecca Miller for the 2009-2010 school year with the provision that she notify the Superintendent of Schools of further teaching intentions no later than April 1, 2010.

RECONVENE

**BOARD
SECRETARY'S
REPORT**

**COMMITTEE
REPORTS**

**SUPT'S
RESOLUTIONS**

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE
TEACHER**

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TEACHER**

**APPOINTMENTS
TEACHER SUBS B**

3. 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 2008-09 school year.

**EXTRA
COMP**

4. 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, 2009**

Rose Cioffi \$250.00

**PAYMENT FOR FILMING BOE MEETINGS –
January and February, 2009**

Mark Parisi \$105.00
Maria Perez 105.00

**PAYMENT FOR SATURDAY VIOLIN LESSONS –
During January, February, March & April, 2009**

Tamara Radyuk \$1,039.20

**PAYMENT FOR FAMILY SCIENCE PROGRAM –
During the weeks of March 11-April 2, 2009**

Kristine Comune \$540.48
Dana DiGiacomo 540.48
Jill Freedman 540.48
Flavia Groeling 540.48
Holly Jasnowitz 540.48
Stephanie Lennon 540.48
Beverly Masullo 540.48
Michele Shahinian 540.48
Joanne Tivaldo 540.48
Lisa Venezia 540.48

**CENTRAL DETENTION COVERAGE –
Month of March, 2009**

High School

Vance Campbell \$ 18.77
Joseph Cimo 356.63
John Falduti 56.31
John Gulardo 112.62

Denise Mazza	225.24
Cheryl Rossillo	18.77
Lisa Vallo	262.78

JHW Middle School

Melinda Burghardt	\$ 18.77
Joseph Cappello	56.31
Melissa Echevarria	56.31
Tracy Egan	75.08
Deanna Fredricks	37.54
Paula Greco	37.54
Jenny Lombardo	75.08
Luann Zullo	37.54

**SATURDAY MORNING SUSPENSIONS –
Month of March, 2009**

JHW Middle School

Joseph Cappello	\$156.90
Marcellino Marra	78.45

**LONGEVITY
PAY**

5. LONGEVITY PAY

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

Joseph Garofalo -\$1,450 (prorated) Eff. May 1, 2009 (10 yrs.)

**APPOINTMENT
EXTRA CLASS**

6. APPOINTMENT – EXTRA CLASS

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves paying Michael Christadore for teaching an additional class, Sports & Entertainment Marketing at a rate of \$60 per class.

**APPROVAL OF
STIPENDS**

7. APPROVAL OF STIPENDS

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the following black seal stipend at a rate of \$500 prorated effective March 21, 2009:

Anthony Feraco
Rosa Fiala
Barrett Pote
Michael Salvo

**NON-RENEWAL
TEACHING
CONTRACTS**

8. NON-RENEWAL OF TEACHING CONTRACTS

Trustee Kuchta moved, Trustee Frannicola seconded, and the Board approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that the contracts of the following non-tenured teachers not be renewed for the 2009/2010 school year:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>P/T</u>
Alfaro, Lauren	
Behrens, Peter	
Boyce, Nicole (Cafone)	
Burghardt, Melinda	
Byrne, Maura	
Campbell, Vance	
Collins, Jennifer (VonAchen)	
Crupi, Joanne	
DeLitta, Michelle	
DiVincenzo-Root, Kimberly	
Dwyer III, Joseph	
Ferrara, Lori	
Ferraro, Nicole	
Fitzgerald, Sean	
Francello, Matthew	
Franco, Danielle	P/T.5
Frost-Guzzo, Jane	
Ganesh, Takisha	
Garcia, Denia	
Gatto, Natalie	
Gencarelli, Rosalina	
Goodwin, Megan	
Greco, Paula	
Greengrove, Robin	
Gulardo, John	
Gumeny, Kristen	
Hamden, Dena	
Hauer, April	
Hauer, Ashley	
Heller, Daryl	
Jimenez, Carey Ann	
Johnston, David	
Lappostato, Theresa	
Lazar, Rena	
Liagouris, Yolanda	
Lombard, Alicia	

Lombardo, Jenny
Mabel, Jessica
Marcino, Jennifer Ann
McFarland, Michael
McMullen, Ryan
Meola, Nicole
Minervini, Dana (D'Ambola)
Mozeika, Stephanie P/T.5
Nastasi, Carl
O'Carroll, Melissa
O'Keeffe, Katie Lynn
Olsen, Jon
Pacella, Adelia
Pappalardo, Danielle
Pappas, Peggy
Petti, Christina
Piacentini, Debra
Piro, Nikki (Casale)
Pravata, Jessica
Rasczyk, Amanda
Rosenhouse, Matthew
Ryan, GERALYN P/T.5
Ryder, Joniene
Safonte, Toni
Sanders, Marie
Sarachelli, Victoria (Dente)
Scheick, Stephanie P/T.5
Sciarrillo, Lesley
Shaw, Shannon
Sheridan, Erin
Shohen, Lauren (Rush)
Thornton, Jeremy
Tirrito, Michael
Tsairis, Roxanne
Tucci, Josephine
Vander Have, Karen
Weinstein, Jr., Christopher
Weiss, Lawrence
Wdowiak, Eric
Yin, Leon
Zazzali, Lynn

**NON-RENEWAL
INSTRUCTIONAL
AIDES**

9. **NON-RENEWAL OF INSTRUCTIONAL AIDES**

Trustee Kuchta moved, Trustee Casale seconded, and the Board approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that the contracts of the following instructional aides not be renewed for the 2009/2010 school year:

NAME

Alu, Antoinette
Battaglia Kristen
Butler, Lorraine
Callaghan, Maureen
Capalbo, Lora
Cappetta, Alan
Caputo, Rosa
Carment, Mary
Castro, Rosemary
Ciccolella, Nicoletta
Conforti, Marie
Cristiano, Kathleen
DeAngelo, Margaret
Duxbury, Roberta
Farrand, Edward Todd
Ferinde, Maria
Gianfrancesco, Cindy
Graham, Jamie
Greiss, Marion
Guida, Dyan
Homyak, Karen
Imperiale, Lynn
Ippolito, Doretta
Jones, Patricia
Lewis, Denise
Lindsay, Samantha
Lombardozi, Erin
Luzzi, Donna
Maciel, Nora
Marando, Denise
Mastropasqua, Agata
McConnon, Nancy
McGarty, Barbara
Meola, Nadine
Minichini, Mary Ann

O'Connell, Margaret
Pastena, Kathleen
Paterno, Mari-Angela
Polito, Barbara
Pontoriero, Carmela
Ponzoni, Janet
Pucci, Annette
Rosamilia, Melissa
Russonella, Jacqueline
Salvatoriello, Janet
Saporito, Kim
Sarno, Barbara
Simone, Nicole
Tesei, Lesley
Tucci, Linda
Venable, Mary
Vicidomini, Layne
Weiss, Nicole
Zuzzio, Alyssa

**BA
RESOLUTIONS**

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

Trustee Sautter moved, Trustee Kuchta seconded, a motion that the Board approves the Board Secretary's Resolutions numbers 1 through 10 as listed below.

Mr. DeVita stated that the district received challenges to Resolutions 9 and 10 for the bids for the façade repairs at Lincoln and Radcliffe. Board counsel is currently reviewing the challenges and no contracts will be signed until the legal review is finished.

The Board Secretary's Resolutions numbers 1 through 10 were unanimously approved by roll call vote.

**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 ending March 31, 2009.

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, 2009, 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.)

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 April 20, 2009 in the total amount of \$5,490,191.93 (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 2008-09 budget dated April 20, 2009 in the amount of \$271,152.20 as appended (Appendix E).

6. APPROVAL OF TRAVEL LIST

**APPROVAL
TRAVEL LIST F**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the travel list and all expenses per (Appendix F).

7. APPROVAL OF FIELD TRIPS

**APPROVAL
FIELD TRIPS G**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the field trip list and all expenses per (Appendix G).

**APPROVAL OF
PARTIAL PAYMENT
LEVY CONSTRUCTION**

8. APPROVAL OF PARTIAL PAYMENT TO LEVY CONSTRUCTION COMPANY

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves partial payment in the amount of \$72,618 to Levy Construction Company for the Windows at Washington School as per the recommendation of the Board's architect and construction manager.

**BID EXTERIOR FAÇADE
REPAIRS LINCOLN SCHOOL**

9. BIDS FOR EXTERIOR FAÇADE REPAIRS AT LINCOLN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

WHEREAS, bids for exterior façade repairs at Lincoln Elementary School were advertised on March 12, 2009 and

WHEREAS, sealed bids were publicly opened and read aloud on April 7, 2009 at 2:00 PM in the office of the Secretary/Business Administrator, and

WHEREAS, the following bids were received in the following amounts:

	Base Bid	Alternate 1
Circle-A Construction Company Neptune, NJ	\$1,186,700.00	\$35,000.00
Hilt Construction Franklin Park, NJ	\$1,264,891.00	\$29,900.00
Paragon Restoration Corp. Kenilworth, NJ	\$1,322,876.00	\$35,000.00
Wonder Works NY, NY	\$1,541,818.14	\$163,418.30

and

WHEREAS, the bid of Circle-A Construction Company, Inc. appears to meet all specifications,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the construction manager and engineer, awards the contract for Exterior Façade Repairs at Lincoln Elementary School to Circle-A Construction Company as the apparent low qualified bidder for the full amount of their base bid plus Alternate 1 in the amount of \$1,221,700.00.

**BID EXTERIOR FAÇADE
REPAIRS RADCLIFFE SCHOOL**

**10. BIDS FOR EXTERIOR FAÇADE REPAIRS AT RADCLIFFE
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

WHEREAS, bids for exterior façade repairs at Radcliffe Elementary School were advertised on March 12, 2009 and

WHEREAS, sealed bids were publicly opened and read aloud on April 14, 2009 at 2:00 PM in the office of the Secretary/Business Administrator, and

WHEREAS, the following bids were received in the following amounts:

	<u>Base Bid Amount</u>
A&S Restoration Corp. Wyckoff, NJ	\$170,000.00
Helios Construction Ocean, NJ	\$233,000.00
Circle-A Construction Company Neptune, NJ	\$249,000.00
Hilt Construction Franklin Park, NJ	\$284,981.00
Fahs Restoration Southampton, NJ	\$289,000.00
Wonder Works NY, NY	\$308,922.20

and

WHEREAS, the bid of A&S Restoration Corp. appears to meet all specifications,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the construction manager and engineer, awards the contract for Exterior Façade Repairs at Radcliffe Elementary School to A&S Restoration Corp. as the apparent low qualified bidder in the amount of \$170,000.

**PROPOSAL
DOME-TECH**

11. PROPOSAL – DOME-TECH, INC.

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

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education accepts the proposal from Dome-Tech, Inc. in the amount of \$10,000.

HEARING OF CITIZENS

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CITIZENS**

Resident Terry Quirk, representative for the Nutley Parent Advocacy Network, addressed the Board and spoke about Mr. Maiello making a difference in a child's life and encouraged everyone to vote for the budget.

Resident Sal Olivo recognized Maria Alamo for her achievements and her integrity and for making a difference while serving on the Board.

EAN President Mike Stoffers spoke on behalf of the EAN and expressed his appreciation for Mr. Zarra and the work he is doing. He also addressed how he felt test score numbers were reported erroneously throughout the community.

Representatives of the Nutley Education Foundation said they are getting a \$5,030 check from TD Bank. They said they would like to meet with Mr. Zarra to see how these funds will be expended.

Resident Lisa Danchak-Martin explained how the test scores that were reported throughout the community were figured out.

Resident Mike Russo suggested that after the budget election, the test score numbers should be looked at objectively.

A discussion ensued among the Board regarding testing and the scores.

OLD BUSINESS

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

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All the Board Members as well as Administration expressed their appreciation for Mrs. Alamo during her time on the Board.

President Alamo thanked everyone and asked the public to support her fellow Board Members.

ADJOURNMENT

ADJOURN

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:10 PM on a motion by Trustee Kuchta seconded by Trustee Sautter and unanimously approved by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael DeVita
Board Secretary