

**NUTLEY BOARD OF EDUCATION
OPEN PUBLIC MEETING
OCTOBER 5, 2009**

The Nutley Board of Education held a Public Meeting on Monday, October 5, 2009 at the Nutley High School Conference Room located at 300 Franklin Avenue, Nutley, NJ.

CALL TO

President Casale opened the meeting at 7:30 PM.

ORDER

MEETING NOTICE

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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 notice of October 1, 2009. 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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President Casale led the assembly in the flag salute.

ROLL CALL

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Present:

Mr. Angelo Frannicola
Mr. James Kuchta
Mr. Vincent Moscaritola
Mr. Kenneth Reilly
Mr. Steven Rogers
Mrs. Deborah J. Russo
Mr. Walter Sautter
Dr. Philip T. Casale

Absent: Mr. Thomas J. Sposato (arrived 7:45 PM)

Also Present: Mr. Joseph Zarra, Superintendent of Schools
Mr. Michael DeVita, Business Administrator/Board Secretary
Mr. Frank Pomaco, Board Attorney

Also Absent: Mrs. Mariana Francioso, Assistant Superintendent of Schools

EXECUTIVE

MOTION TO ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION SESSION

At 7:35 PM Trustee Rogers moved and Trustee Russo 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
Negotiations

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

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At 8:10 PM Trustee Kuchta moved, Trustee Moscaritola seconded, and the Board unanimously approved by voice vote a motion to reconvene the public meeting.

The meeting reconvened in the Nutley High School Auditorium located at 300 Franklin Avenue, Nutley, NJ.

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Also Present: Mr. Joseph Zarra, Superintendent of Schools
Mr. Michael DeVita, Business Administrator/Board Secretary
Mr. Frank Pomaco, Board Attorney

Absent: Mrs. Mariana Francioso, Assistant Superintendent of Schools

Trustee Rogers gave an overview on how the Negotiations Committee and the EAN worked very hard on the Memorandum of Agreement.

Trustee Kuchta explained the finances and health benefits agreed upon within the Memorandum of Agreement.

HEARING OF CITIZENS (Resolutions Only) HEARING OF CITIZENS

Resident Donna Ferrara spoke positively about the NJ Direct Plan her school district participates in.

Resident Alan Thomas asked why the Memorandum of Agreement was not posted on the website or handed out to the public.

Commissioner Tom Evans asked how the salary increase would affect the budget and the affordability to the taxpayers.

Resident Alan Thomas asked what the impact to the district would be and what the contract cost will be over the next two years.

Resident Joe Iannini suggested using a slide show so the numbers could be easily read.

RESOLUTIONS

1. APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT WITH EDUCATION ASSOCIATION OF NUTLEY – 2009 – 2012

Trustee Rogers moved, and Trustee Kuchta seconded, the following resolution. Upon being put to a roll call vote and after the Board Member's comments, the resolution was approved with the following exception:

1. Trustee Sposato voted "No".

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the Memorandum of Agreement with the Education Association of

Nutley encompassing the terms and conditions of employment for teachers and secretaries for the period July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2012.

2. RETIREMENT - Teacher

Trustee Sautter moved, and Trustee Kuchta seconded, the following resolution. Upon being put to a roll call vote the resolution was unanimously approved.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the acceptance of the retirement of Mr. William Farkas, high school teacher, effective December 1, 2009.

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Resident Terry Quirk, representative for the Nutley Parent Advocacy Network (NPAN), asked about state reimbursement for special education.

Resident Victoria Flynn asked if the Memorandum of Agreement would be made available to the public at this meeting. She also asked about the OFAC Report, Tri-Tech and the district Website.

Trustee Russo exited at 9:33 PM.

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Resident Mike Russo thanked Mr. Zarra for getting the senior cruise straightened out and spoke about the teacher's contract.

ADJOURNMENT

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There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at

9:50 PM on a motion by Trustee Kuchta, seconded by Trustee Frannicola, and unanimously approved by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael DeVita
Board Secretary