

**NUTLEY BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**PUBLIC HEARING/SPECIAL MEETING**  
**MARCH 31, 2010**

The Nutley Board of Education held a Public Hearing/Special Meeting on Wednesday, March 31, 2010 in the John H. Walker Auditorium, 325 Franklin Avenue, Nutley, NJ 07110.

President Casale opened the meeting at 7:09 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 Budget Hearing/Special Meeting was provided in the notice of March 23, 2010. Said notice was:

1. Published in the Herald News on Thursday, March 25, 2010.
2. Posted at the entrance of the Board Office on March 23, 2010.
3. Mailed or faxed to the Nutley Sun, The Star Ledger, The North Jersey Herald & News, and the Nutley Journal.
4. Mailed or faxed to the Nutley township clerk.
5. Posted on the District's Website.

The purpose of this meeting is:

1. Conduct the public hearing on the 2010-2011 school budget.
2. Adopt the 2010-2011 school budget.

Formal action will be taken.

**FLAG SALUTE**

**FLAG  
SALUTE**

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

**ROLL CALL**

**ROLL  
CALL**

Present: Mr. James Kuchta  
Mr. Angelo Frannicola  
Mr. Kenneth Reilly  
Mrs. Deborah J. Russo  
Mr. Steven Rogers  
Mr. Walter Sautter  
Mr. Thomas J. Sposato  
Dr. Philip T. Casale

Absent: Mr. Vincent Moscaritola

Also Present: Mr. Joseph Zarra, Superintendent of Schools  
Mrs. Mariana Francioso, Assistant Superintendent of Schools  
Mrs. Karen A. Yeamans, Interim Business Administrator/Board Secretary

***PUBLIC HEARING ON BUDGET***

**PUBLIC  
HEARING**

President Casale thanked the Budget Committee and Administrators for their diligence in establishing the proposed 2010-2011 School District Budget. He then introduced Acting Board Secretary Karen Yeamans who gave a detailed power-point presentation of the proposed 2010-2011 budget.

Mr. Zarra spoke about the 2010-2011 School District Budget and the cuts necessary due to the state aide funding next year.

**HEARING OF CITIZENS (Budget Only)**

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Several residents asked budget questions and made comments not limited to the following:

- Full Day Kindergarten.
- Reopening Teacher Negotiations.
- Impact of class size in the high school.
- How will it impact class size and teacher load?
- Why is the county number used as a comparison?
- Why is there a reduction in the tax impact from last week?
- How was the EAN approached?
- What kind of supplies will be reduced?
- Boys' shoddy locker room at the high school.
- Why are teachers discussing the school budget cuts with the students?

- What are the reductions in athletics?
- Guidance Dept. in the High School.
- Governor Christie's motives.
- How does the 1.5% health cost payment impact our budget?
- Cost of Cafeteria Workers.
- Food Service Cost.
- Extended Day Program.

Hearing no further comments, President Casale closed this portion of the meeting.

A Board discussion ensued before they voted on the 2010-2011 budget.

**ADOPTION OF 2010-2011 BUDGET**

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2010-2011  
BUDGET**

Trustee Kuchta moved, and Trustee Sautter seconded, that the Board approve the following resolution. Upon a roll call vote the budget was unanimously approved.

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Township of Nutley adopted a tentative budget for the 2010-2011 school year on March 22, 2010, and

WHEREAS, said tentative budget was properly advertised on March 25, 2010, and

WHEREAS, the Public Hearing on the budget was conducted on March 31, 2010,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby adopts the official budget for the 2010-2011 school year in the following amounts:

|                      |                  |
|----------------------|------------------|
| General Fund         | \$ 52,935,482    |
| Special Revenue Fund | 1,531,181        |
| Debt Service Fund    | <u>3,742,330</u> |

Total Budget \$ 58,208,993

Of which the following amount shall be raised by local tax levy:

|                       |                  |
|-----------------------|------------------|
| General Fund Tax Levy | \$ 47,198,664    |
| Debt Service Tax Levy | <u>2,913,940</u> |

Total Tax Levy \$ 50,112,604

and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary be authorized to place on the ballot at the Annual School Election to be held on April 20, 2010 the proposal to approve the General Fund tax levy portion of the 2010-2011 school budget. The complete budget for 2010-2011 is on file in the Business Administrator's Office.

**DISTRICT TRAVEL**

**2. 2010-2011 BUDGET SCHOOL DISTRICT TRAVEL  
MAXIMUM**

Trustee Rogers moved, and Trustee Kuchta seconded, that the Board approve the following resolution. Upon a roll call vote the resolution was unanimously approved.

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 2010-2011 school year, and

WHEREAS the tentative budget adopted by the Board of Education on March 22, 2010 included funds for travel and travel-related expenses in accordance with the above by-law, policies and NJ Administrative Code Regulations,

NOW BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby establishes the school district travel maximum for the 2010-2011 school year in the sum of \$35,600 as contained in the appropriate budgetary accounts, and

ALSO 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.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**ADJOURN**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:02 PM on a motion by Trustee Kuchta, seconded by Trustee Frannicola, and unanimously approved by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen A. Yeamans  
Interim Board Secretary