

**NUTLEY BOARD OF EDUCATION
OPEN PUBLIC MEETING
MARCH 14, 2011**

The Nutley Board of Education held a Public Meeting on Monday, March 14, 2011, in the JHWMS Choir Room located at 325 Franklin Avenue, Nutley, NJ.

President Reilly opened the meeting at 6:32 PM.

FLAG SALUTE

President Reilly led the assembly in the flag salute.

MEETING NOTICE

President Reilly 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 April 28, 2011. Said notice was posted at the entrance of the Board of Education offices, mailed to The Star Ledger, The North Jersey Herald & News, The Nutley Journal, The Nutley Sun, Township Clerk and posted on the district website.

This is an official meeting.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mr. James Kuchta
Mr. Charles Kucinski
Dr. Robert Reid
Mrs. Deborah J. Russo
Mr. Steven Rogers
Mr. Thomas J. Sposato
Mr. Kenneth Reilly

Absent: Mr. Vincent Moscaritola (arrived 6:34 PM)
Mr. Walter Sautter (arrived 6:34 PM)

Also Present: Mr. Joseph Zarra, Superintendent of Schools
Mrs. Karen A. Yeamans, Business Administrator/Board Secretary
Mr. Frank Pomaco, Board Attorney

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Zarra spoke about the Anti-Bullying Forum and his selection of a district Anti-Bullying Coordinator.

Presentation of Academic Awards

High School Principal Mr. Catrambone introduced Mrs. Divilio, Guidance Coordinator, who presented academic awards and acknowledged the high school students for their academic achievements.

BOARD SECRETARY'S REPORT

Mrs. Yeamans announced that the budget hearing on March 28, 2011 has been moved to the high school auditorium.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

HEARING OF CITIZENS (Resolutions Only)

None

SUPERINTENDENT'S RESOLUTIONS

Trustee Sposato moved, and Trustee Russo seconded, a motion that the Board approves Superintendent's Resolutions numbers 1 through 4 as follows:

The Superintendent's Resolutions 1 through 4 were unanimously approved by roll call vote.

1. APPOINTMENT – District Anti-Bullying Coordinator

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of education approves the appointment of Mr. Joseph Cappello as the District Anti-Bullying Coordinator at a stipend rate as per the Affirmative Action Officer contract rate of \$562.00, prorated, for the 2010-11 school year effective March 15, 2011.

2. APPROVAL OF CALENDARS – 2011-12

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the adoption of the following calendars for the 2011-12 school year:

School Calendar -Schedule A
Calendar for 12-Month Employees -Schedule B

3. APPROVAL OF TRIP LIST

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the trip list and all expenses per (Schedule C).

4. APPROVAL OF FIELD TRIPS

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

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

Trustee Reid moved, Trustee Kucinski seconded, a motion that the Board approves the Board Secretary's Resolutions numbers 1 through 6 as follows:

The Board Secretary's Resolutions 1 through 6 were unanimously approved by roll call vote.

1. APPROVAL OF PAYMENT

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves payment of \$20,000 to Friends of Nutley Singers (FONS) for auditorium seating as agreed upon in the December 3, 2007 Resolution – Auditorium Seating Project.

2. AMENDMENT APPLICATION of 2009-2010 NCLB APPLICATION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the amendment of the 2009-2010 NCLB Application.

3. AMENDMENT APPLICATION of 2010-2011 NCLB APPLICATION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the amendment of the 2010-2011 NCLB Application.

4. ACCEPTANCE OF DONATION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education accepts the donation of a flat-screen television to Washington School from the Hoxhaj family.

5. APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER - VESPA ELECTRICAL COMPANY

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the following change order to Vespa Electrical Company for HVAC upgrades at Nutley High School as per the recommendation of the Board's Architect and Construction Manager as follows:

Change Order – \$(95,605.00) (Acct.#30-999-405-450-01-330)
Credit for electrical redesign.

**6. APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDERS – ADDITIONS AND ALTERATIONS –
SPRING GARDEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the following Change Order to Sunnyfield Corporation, on file in the Business Office, for the Spring Garden Project as per the recommendation of the Board's Engineer and Construction Manager as follows:

Change Order HVAC 2 – Total Amount - \$(78,300.00) (Acct.#30-999-405-450-05-330)
Credit for elimination of aluminum jacketing on
All interior ductwork and piping.

President Reilly made a statement about the 2011-2012 Budget and the cuts that are still being reviewed. He mentioned that the EAN was asked to send a letter to its members still in Traditional Insurance and ask them to switch to Direct Access to save positions.

HEARING OF CITIZENS

EAN President Mike Stoffers spoke on behalf of the EAN in support of the paraprofessionals. He stated that he would support the Board's request to send a letter to EAN members asking to switch from traditional to direct access insurance.

Resident Terry Quirk, representative for the Nutley Parent Advocacy Network (NPAN), stated that she agreed with the EAN's position on the paraprofessionals and how outsourcing their jobs would have a direct affect on the special education students.

Resident and Paraprofessional Maureen Callahan read a prepared statement on the job requirements and dedication of the paraprofessional's to the special education students.

Several parents expressed their concern for their children, as well as all special education children, on the negative affect it will have if the paraprofessionals are outsourced.

OLD BUSINESS

Trustee Sautter spoke about the positive experience he encountered with Direct Access Insurance.

NEW BUSINESS

Both Trustees Kucinski and Rogers mentioned that they were glad to see the turnout at tonight's meeting and reminded the public that no decisions have been clearly made.

President Reilly stated that the Board appreciates the efforts by the EAN to help save positions.

MOTION TO ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:30 PM President Reilly moved and Trustee Kuchta 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 a student matter and personnel.

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.

RECONVENE MEETING

At 8:59 PM Trustee Kuchta moved, Trustee Sposato seconded, and the Board unanimously approved by voice to reconvene the meeting.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mr. James Kuchta
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Mr. Steven Rogers
Mr. Walter Sautter
Mr. Thomas J. Sposato
Mr. Kenneth Reilly

Absent: Mr. Charles Kucinski

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

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM on a motion by President Reilly seconded by Trustee Russo and unanimously approved by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen A. Yeamans
Board Secretary