

**NUTLEY BOARD OF EDUCATION
REORGANIZATION MEETING
JANUARY 5, 2015**

The Nutley Board of Education held a Reorganization Meeting on Monday, January 5, 2015, in the JHWMS Choir Room located at 325 Franklin Avenue, Nutley, NJ.

Mrs. Yeamans opened the meeting at 6:32 PM.

FLAG SALUTE

Mrs. Yeamans led the assembly in the flag salute.

MEETING NOTICE

Mrs. Yeamans 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 January 6, 2014. 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 advertised in The Nutley Sun on January 16, 2014 and posted on the district website.

This is an official meeting.

STATEMENT OF RESULTS OF ANNUAL SCHOOL ELECTION

On Tuesday, November 4, 2014 the Annual School Board Election for the Nutley School District was held. Voting was conducted for the election of three members to the Board of Education for a three-year term. The results of the election were as follows:

Candidates for 3-year terms

Frederick Scalera – 2,831
Salvatore Ferraro – 2,621
Lisa Danchak-Martin – 2,675

The candidates elected were Fredrick Scalera, Salvatore Ferraro and Lisa Danchak-Martin for a three-year term.

A copy of this report will be entered in the official minutes of the Board of Education.

ADMINISTRATION OF OATH TO NEW BOARD MEMBERS

Mrs. Yeamans administered the Oath of Office to Lisa Danchak-Martin, Salvatore Ferraro, and Fredrick Scalera.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mr. Daniel A. Carnicella
Mrs. Lisa Danchak-Martin
Mr. Salvatore Ferraro
Mr. Ryan Kline
Mr. Charles W. Kucinski
Mr. Kenneth J. Reilly
Ms. Deborah J. Russo
Mr. Fredrick Scalera
Mr. Thomas J. Sposato

Also Present: Mr. Russell M. Lazovick, Superintendent of Schools
Dr. Gina Villani, Assistant Superintendent of Schools
Mrs. Karen A. Yeamans, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Mrs. Yeamans announced that she would now accept nominations for President of the Nutley Board of Education.

Trustee Kucinski nominated Trustee Sposato for President of the Nutley Board of Education. There being no further nominations, Mrs. Yeamans declared that the nominations are closed.

Upon being put to a roll call vote the nomination cast was approved by the Board with the following exception:

- 1) Trustee Danchak-Martin voted "No" on the nomination.

President Sposato assumed the chair and announced that he would now accept nominations for Vice President of the Board of Education.

Trustee Scalera nominated Trustee Kucinski for Vice President of the Nutley Board of Education. There being no further nominations, President Sposato declared that the nominations are closed.

Upon being put to a roll call vote the nomination was unanimously cast by the Board for Trustee Kucinski for Vice President.

Several Board Members commended Trustee Kucinski for his excellent service to the Board while acting as President.

RECOGNITION OF NHS MARCHING BAND

Trustee Scalera moved and Trustee Russo seconded a motion that the Board approve the following resolution:

Upon a roll call vote the following resolution was unanimously approved.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education recognizes the outstanding performances given by the NHS Marching Band at the competition, parade, pre-game and half-time shows at the 2015 Gator Bowl in Jacksonville, FL. The Board of Education hereby commends them for the honor and recognition they have brought to themselves, their families, their school and their community.

Mr. Lazovick along with several Board Members praised the accomplishments that the NHS Marching Band achieved and expressed their happiness and pride.

Mr. Riley thanked Mr. Maiello and his staff for their dedication to the music program.

Mr. Maiello expressed his gratitude to the staff, parents, students and Board for their support and dedication to the music program.

Several students spoke about the positive affect being part of the NHS Marching Band has made in their high school lives.

RECESS

At 7:12 PM President Sposato made a motion, Trustee Scalera seconded, and the Board unanimously approved by voice vote a motion to recess.

RECONVENE MEETING

At 7:18 PM President Sposato moved, Trustee Russo seconded, and the Board unanimously approved by voice vote a motion to reconvene.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Lazovick welcomed everyone back for the 2015 New Year. He thanked Trustees Kucinski and Scalera for serving as President and Vice President of the Board. He spoke about re-registration and activities taking place throughout the district.

HEARING OF CITIZENS (Resolutions Only)

Resident Alan Thomas referred to Administration Resolution 1 – Adoption of Schedule of Meetings and asked when the budget hearing would take place.

Mrs. Yeamans stated the budget hearing would take place on March 23, 2015.

ACADEMICS – Resolution 1

Trustee Danchak-Martin moved and Trustee Reilly seconded a motion that the Board approves Academic Resolution 1 as follows:

Upon a roll call vote Academic Resolution 1 was unanimously approved.

1. APPROVAL OF 2014-2015 NJQSAC STATEMENT OF ASSURANCE

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the submission of the 2014-2015 NJQSAC Statement of Assurance to the Executive County Superintendent.

ADMINISTRATION - Resolution 1

Trustee Kucinski moved and Trustee Russo seconded a motion that the Board approves Administration Resolution 1 as follows:

Upon a roll call vote Administration Resolution 1 was unanimously approved.

1. ADOPTION OF SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

BE IT RESOLVED that the regular monthly meetings of the Board of Education of the Township of Nutley be held on the fourth Monday of each month, except as noted otherwise, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, in accordance with the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act of 1975, the annual Schedule of Meetings be adopted as follows:

Time: 6:30 PM

Location: John H. Walker Middle School - Choir Room

Action may be taken at any of the following meetings:

<u>Month</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	
2015			
January	Monday	26	
February	Monday	23	
March	Monday	9	
March	Monday	23	
April	Monday	27	
May	Tuesday	26	
June	Monday	8	
June	Monday	22	
July	Monday	27	
August	Monday	31	
September	Monday	14	
September	Monday	28	
October	Monday	19	
November	Monday	23	
December	Monday	21	
2016			
January	Tuesday	5	Reorganization

FINANCE - Resolution 1

Trustee Ferraro moved and Trustee Kucinski seconded a motion that the Board approves Finance Resolution 1 as follows:

Mrs. Yeamans said that the resolution should be amended to read Thomas J. Sposato, President and Charles W. Kucinski, Vice President.

Upon a roll call vote Finance Resolution 1 was unanimously approved.

1. DEPOSITORY OF SCHOOL FUNDS – TD Bank

BE IT RESOLVED that the TD Bank be designated as the official depository for the following accounts of the Nutley Board of Education for the 2014-2015 school year, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the following officers of the below account be authorized to sign checks drawn on the accounts effective January 6, 2015:

Board of Education General Account, Referendum Account and Capital Reserve Account –
Account # 345-0340344

Primary Signatory

Alternate Signatory

Thomas J. Sposato, President or Charles W. Kucinski, Vice President

and

Karen Yeamans, Board Secretary or Jesenia Gomez, Staff Accountant
and Treasurer of Schools

HEARING OF CITIZENS

Resident Alan Thomas thanked Trustee Kucinski for his service as Board President and commended him for his open-minded leadership and his support to the Superintendent on academic issues.

OLD BUSINESS

Trustee Kucinski asked for an update of the bus parking lot.

Trustee Scalera congratulated President Sposato and thanked Trustee Kucinski for his leadership during his term as Board President.

NEW BUSINESS

Trustee Kucinski stated that this Board is a cohesive group and works very well as a whole to accomplish mutual goals for the betterment of the district.

President Sposato said he looks forward to continuing on the same path.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM on a motion by Trustee Kucinski, seconded by Trustee Scalera, and unanimously approved by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen A. Yeamans
Board Secretary