

NUTLEY BOARD OF EDUCATION

SPECIAL JOINT MEETING FEBRUARY 12, 2003

The Nutley Board of Education held a Joint Special Meeting with the Nutley Board of Commissioners on Wednesday, February 12, 2003 in the Third Floor Conference Room of Town Hall, Kennedy Drive, Nutley, NJ 07110.

Mayor Peter Scarpelli called this meeting to order at 5:10 PM and announced the purpose of this Special Meeting is to meet with the Board of Education trustees to discuss the district's need to upgrade all of its facilities.

**CALL TO
ORDER**

Municipal Clerk Mrs. Lucille Simonian read the Sunshine Law notice and called the roll and four of the five Nutley Township Commissioners were present.

Mayor Scarpelli introduced Board President John Cafone who read the following notice:

BOARD PRESIDENT'S NOTICE

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President Cafone 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 Special Joint Meeting was legally advertised in the North Jersey Herald & News on February 9, 2003 and posted at the entrance of the Board of Education offices, mailed to The Nutley Sun, The Star Ledger, and The Nutley Journal and mailed to the Nutley Township Clerk. The purpose of this meeting will be to discuss the school district's need for a bond referendum. It is anticipated that no action will be taken at this meeting.

This is an official meeting.

ROLL CALL

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CALL**

Present: Mrs. Maria Alamo
Dr. Philip T. Casale
Mr. Gerard Del Tufo
Mr. Alan Genitempo
Mr. Sal Olivo
Mr. Alfred R. Restaino, Jr.
Mr. John Cafone

Absent: Dr. Gerard M. Parisi
Mr. Joseph C. Pelaia

Also Present: Dr. Kathleen C. Serafino, Superintendent of Schools
Mr. James Mallen, Business Administrator/Board Secretary
Dr. James Vivinetto, Assistant Superintendent
Mr. Lee Heckendorn, Board Architect
Mayor Peter Scarpelli
Commissioner Joanne Cocchiola
Commissioner Carmen A. Orechio
Commissioner Mauro G. Tucci

Also Absent: Commissioner Garry J. Furnari
Mr. Jonathan Orr, Student Representative

President Cafone again thanked Mayor Scarpelli and the Commissioners for allowing this meeting to occur. He noted the constructive advice of the Commissioners to perhaps proceed in stages. He acknowledged that the Trustees have heard the Commissioners' advice and have responded.

DISCUSSION

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President Cafone presented the Board's revised plan to convert the existing high school shop areas into eight new science labs. It also includes renovating the old science labs, auditorium lighting and HVAC systems, repairs to the concrete seating in the oval and a new telephone system for all schools in the entire school district.

The Commissioners raised questions about this revised plan and offered several suggestions. The Commissioners suggested the possibility of funding the repairs to the concrete seating at the oval through the township instead of through the school district's bond referendum process. Other topics included ADA improvements, roof and window replacements. Extensive discussion ensued.

ADJOURNMENT

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There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:55 PM on a motion by Trustee Restaino, seconded by Trustee Alamo and unanimously approved by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES MALLEN
Board Secretary