

**NUTLEY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
OPEN PUBLIC MEETING  
NOVEMBER 9, 2009**

The Nutley Board of Education held a Public Meeting on Monday, November 9, 2009 at the Board Conference Room, 315 Franklin Avenue, Nutley, NJ 07110.

President Casale opened the meeting at 6:00 PM.

**CALL TO  
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 27, 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.

**ROLL CALL**

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CALL**

Present: Mr. James Kuchta  
Mr. Vincent Moscaritola  
Mr. Steven Rogers  
Mr. Walter Sautter  
Mrs. Deborah J. Russo  
Mr. Thomas J. Sposato  
Dr. Philip T. Casale

Absent: Mr. Angelo Frannicola  
Mr. Kenneth Reilly (arrived 6:22 PM)

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

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

**MOTION TO ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**EXECUTIVE  
SESSION**

At 6:05 PM Trustee Kuchta 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:

Personnel  
Legal Issues

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 8:00 PM Trustee Kuchta moved, Trustee Sposato seconded, and the Board unanimously approved by voice vote a motion to reconvene the public meeting.

The meeting reconvened in the JHWMS Choir Room located at 325 Franklin Avenue, Nutley, NJ.

**FLAG SALUTE**

**FLAG  
SALUTE**

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

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Mr. Walter Sautter  
Mr. Thomas J. Sposato  
Dr. Philip T. Casale

Absent:

Mr. Angelo Frannicola

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

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## **RECOGNITION OF VETERANS**

On behalf of the Nutley Board of Education Trustee Rogers expressed appreciation and gave a certificate to those veterans present at the meeting. He also expressed the Board's appreciation for the veterans throughout the world for their dedicated service to our country.

## **HEARING OF CITIZENS (Resolutions Only)**

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Resident Mike Russo wished Mr. DeVita luck in his new job and asked what the process was for his replacement. He also questioned the amounts paid to athletic coaches.

## **RESOLUTIONS**

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Trustee Reilly moved, and Trustee Kuchta seconded, a motion that the Board approves Resolutions numbers 1 through 4 as listed below.

The Superintendent's Resolutions numbers 1 through 4 as listed below were approved by roll call vote with the following exceptions.

1. Trustees Russo and Sposato voted "No" on Appointments – Athletics.
2. Trustee Reilly abstained, pursuant to law, on the boys basketball coach on Appointments – Athletics.

## **AMEND PROFESSIONAL STAFF**

### **1. AMENDING RESOLUTION – APPOINTMENTS Professional Staff**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the amending of the resolution Appointments – Professional Staff, approved at the August 24, 2009 Board Meeting to reflect a change in degree and salary for Miss Stacey Matarazzo to B.A.+15, Step 11, \$52,320, in accordance with the 2009-10 Teachers' Salary Guide.

**RETIREMENT  
TEACHER**

**2. RETIREMENT – Teacher**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the acceptance of the retirement of Ms. Mari K. Konn as Learning Disabilities Teacher, effective January 1, 2010.

**RESIGNATION  
BUSINESS ADMIN./  
BOARD SECRETARY**

**3. RESIGNATION – Business Administrator/  
Board Secretary**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the acceptance of the resignation of Mr. Michael DeVita, Business Administrator/Board Secretary, effective December 18, 2009.

**APPOINT  
ATHLETICS**

**4. APPOINTMENTS – Athletics**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the Winter Athletic Appointments listed on the attached Schedule E for the 2009-10 school year on the salary guide at the classification and step as indicated in accordance with the 2009-10 Coaches Salary Guide.

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Resident Terry Quirk, representative for the Nutley Parent Advocacy Network (NPAN), wished Mr. DeVita luck in his new job and expressed her concern of the possibility of charging parents for detention of their children.

Resident Mike Russo expressed his concerns about the school budget next year and asked about an update on the website design RFP.

Resident Joe Iannini suggested a power-point presentation be given on the Memorandum of Agreement voted on for the EAN contract. He also asked why Trustee Russo and Sposato voted "No" on Resolution 4 – Appointments – Athletics.

**BOARD DISCUSSIONS**

Trustee Sautter spoke about the violence and vandalism that was reported to the state.

Trustee Kuchta said that Nutley now has the Board Meetings on FIOS.

Trustee Rogers said he would like to recognize at Board Meetings the achievements of students and staff.

Mr. Zarra gave an update on the H1N1 flu.

Trustee Russo thanked Commissioner Scarpelli for the recycling bins.

**ADJOURNMENT**

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There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:55 PM on a motion by Trustee Kuchta, seconded by Trustee Sposato, and unanimously approved by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael DeVita  
Board Secretary