



Plum Borough School District  
900 Elicker Road  
Plum, PA 15239

**Plum Borough Board of School Directors held a Special Voting Meeting on  
Tuesday August 15, 2017 at 6:00 PM in the Plum Senior High Library in  
Allegheny County at 900 Elicker Road Plum, PA 15239**

**Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance**

Mr. Dowdell called the Meeting to order at 6:08PM then led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Roll Call**

Mr. Zahorchak took roll call.

Present: Caldwell, Dowdell, Gallagher, Hickman, Roessler, Rogers, Schlauch, Stepnick, Zucco

Absent: None

Solicitor: Lee Price

**Executive Session**

The Board met in Executive Session on August 15, 2017 to discuss matters of personnel.

**Citizens' Comments**

- 1) Tim Sandstrom, Dehaviland Drive, spoke about building project renovation and mobile classroom
- 2) Elice McMahon, Lacebark Court, spoke about Kindergarten class sizes
- 3) Kristin Mazur, Small Court, spoke about Kindergarten class sizes
- 4) Amy Wetmore, Unity Center, spoke about building consolidation
- 5) Leann Weiss, Vale Avenue, spoke about building consolidation and mobile classroom
- 6) Tracy Riggins, Allegheny Avenue, spoke about consolidation and moving students and Act 34 process
- 7) Sondra Jodkin, Foxtail Drive, concern about redistrict and moving of students
- 8) Melissa Schimmer, Garlow Blvd., concern about redistrict and moving of students
- 9) Jennifer Kerney- Mower Drive, concerns about not having a new school and redistrict

**Education Committee - Sue Caldwell, Chairperson**

Recommend approval for Dr. Glasspool to attend an overnight recruitment trip to China from September 16 - 24, 2017.

*Motion by: Caldwell, Second by Roessler*

*Yes: Caldwell, Dowdell, Gallagher, Hickman, Roessler, Rogers, Schlauch, Stepnick, Zucco*

*No: None*

Recommend approval for Plum - Shenzhen International Exchange program on or about September 30, 2017 - October 22, 2017.

*Motion by: Caldwell, Second by Roessler*

*Yes: Caldwell, Dowdell, Gallagher, Hickman, Roessler, Rogers, Schlauch, Stepnick, Zucco*

*No: None*

**Personnel Committee – Steve Schlauch, Chairperson**

Create a third Kindergarten teaching position at Center Elementary School.

*Motion by: Schlauch, Second by Caldwell*

*Yes: Caldwell, Dowdell, Gallagher, Hickman, Roessler, Rogers, Schlauch, Stepnick, Zucco*

*No: None*

Recommend approval to accept the resignation of Gina Kubit, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent, effective immediately.

*Motion by: Schlauch, Second by Caldwell*

*Yes: Caldwell, Dowdell, Gallagher, Hickman, Roessler, Rogers, Schlauch, Stepnick, Zucco*

*No: None*

Recommend approval to accept the following retirements in the Food Service Department: Debbie Lammie, effective at the end of her shift on August 18, 2017.

Susan Brinker, effective August 4, 2017.

*Motion by: Schlauch, Second by Caldwell*

*Yes: Caldwell, Dowdell, Gallagher, Hickman, Roessler, Rogers, Schlauch, Stepnick, Zucco*

*No: None*

Recommend approval to hire Sylvia Williams as the Executive Assistant to the Superintendent, at a prorated yearly salary of \$52,000, with an effective date of August 30, 2017, contract as presented.

*Motion by: Schlauch, Second by Caldwell*

*Yes: Caldwell, Dowdell, Gallagher, Hickman, Roessler, Rogers, Stepnick, Zucco*

*No: Schlauch*

Mrs. Roessler made a report to be entered into the minutes

Recommend approval to hire Katrina Barger as the Long-term Substitute Speech Pathologist for the 2017-18 school year at the contracted rate.

*Motion by: Schlauch, Second by Caldwell*

*Yes: Caldwell, Dowdell, Gallagher, Hickman, Roessler, Rogers, Schlauch, Stepnick, Zucco*

*No: None*

Recommend approval to hire the following Substitute Bus Drivers as Regular Bus Drivers for the 2017-18 school year:

1. Joseph Fiore

2. Matthew Neff

3. Dirk Vom Felde

*Motion by: Schlauch, Second by Caldwell*

*Yes: Caldwell, Dowdell, Gallagher, Hickman, Roessler, Rogers, Schlauch, Stepnick, Zucco*

*No: None*

Recommend approval to create a Special Education Paraprofessional/PCA position at Plum High School for 35 hours per week.

*Motion by: Schlauch, Second by Caldwell*

*Yes: Caldwell, Dowdell, Gallagher, Hickman, Roessler, Rogers, Schlauch, Stepnick, Zucco*

*No: None*

Recommend approval of Kristen Ravotti for a professional contract after successfully completing three years of service.

*Motion by: Schlauch, Second by Caldwell*

*Yes: Caldwell, Dowdell, Gallagher, Hickman, Roessler, Rogers, Schlauch, Stepnick, Zucco*

*No: None*

Recommend approval of Jen Clinton's unpaid medical leave for the 2017-2018 school year.

*Motion by: Schlauch, Second by Caldwell*

*Yes: Caldwell, Dowdell, Gallagher, Hickman, Roessler, Rogers, Schlauch, Stepnick, Zucco*

*No: None*

#### **Athletic Committee – Michele Gallagher, Chairperson**

Recommend approval to accept the following Volunteer Softball Coaches:

Ashley Smith as Senior High Volunteer Assistant Softball Coach.

Joseph Schreiber as Junior High Volunteer Assistant Softball Coach.

*Motion by: Gallagher, Second by Caldwell*

*Yes: Caldwell, Dowdell, Gallagher, Hickman, Roessler, Rogers, Schlauch, Stepnick, Zucco*

*No: None*

#### **Finance Committee - Michelle Stepnick, Chairperson**

Enter into an agreement with Dee Dee Adams and Northwood Realty to market and sell 606 Millers Lane.

*Motion by: Stepnick, Second by Roessler*

*Yes: Caldwell, Dowdell, Gallagher, Hickman, Roessler, Rogers, Schlauch, Stepnick, Zucco*

*No: None*

#### **August Meeting Schedule**

August 22, 2017 @ 7:00pm in the PHS Library

Regular Voting Meeting

#### **Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn at 7:14PM

*Motion by: Dowdell, Second by Caldwell*

*Yes: Caldwell, Dowdell, Gallagher, Hickman, Roessler, Rogers, Schlauch, Stepnick, Zucco*

*No: None*