

**PLUM BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
900 ELICKER ROAD
PLUM, PA 15239**

**AGENDA
REGULAR VOTING MEETING**

**August 23, 2016
Plum Borough Building – Council Chambers
7:00PM**

The Plum Borough School District's mission is to educate children in a safe and engaging learning environment while developing creative problem-solvers, critical thinkers, and globally competitive citizens.

**Tuesday, August 23, 2016 at 7:00PM in the Council Chambers at
Plum Borough Building in Allegheny County at
4575 New Texas Road Plum, PA 15239**

Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Dowdell called the meeting to order at 7:06PM and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Mrs. Vento took roll.

Present: Caldwell, Colella, Dowdell, Gallagher, Rogers, Schlauch, Zucco

Absent: Roessler and Stepnick

Solicitor: Mr. Lee Price

Executive Session

The Board met in Executive Session on August 16, August 22, and this evening, August 23, 2016 to discuss matters of student confidentiality, personnel, litigation, and negotiations.

Approval of Minutes

Recommend approval of the following Meeting Minutes, as listed:

- A.** June 28, 2016 Regular Voting Meeting
- B.** July 12, 2016 Special Voting Meeting and Committee of the Whole
- C.** July 26, 2016 Regular Voting Meeting
- D.** August 16, 2016 Special Voting Meeting and Committee of the Whole

Motion by: Gallagher, Second by: Caldwell

Final Resolution: Motion passes

Yes: Caldwell, Colella, Dowdell, Gallagher, Rogers, Schlauch, Zucco

No: None

Absent: Roessler and Stepnick

Citizens' Comments on Agenda Items - None

Citizens' Comments on Non-Agenda Items - None

Agenda

Facilities Committee - Mr. Rich Zucco, Chair

Recommend approval of an agreement with Chem Aqua for District Water Treatment in the amount of \$5,600.00, as presented.

Motion by: Zucco, Second by: Caldwell

Final Resolution: Motion passes

Yes: Caldwell, Colella, Dowdell, Gallagher, Rogers, Schlauch, Zucco

No: None

Absent: Roessler and Stepnick

Recommend approval to pay GOB Invoices, as presented.

Motion by: Zucco, Second by: Caldwell

Final Resolution: Motion passes

Yes: Caldwell, Colella, Dowdell, Gallagher, Rogers, Schlauch, Zucco

No: None

Absent: Roessler and Stepnick

Recommend waiving Policy 707 for Sunday use of fields for Plum Youth Soccer August 28, September 11, 18, 25 and October 16, 23 and 30, 2016.

Motion by: Zucco, Second by: Caldwell

Final Resolution: Motion passes

Yes: Caldwell, Colella, Dowdell, Gallagher, Rogers, Schlauch, Zucco

No: None

Absent: Roessler and Stepnick

The Facilities Committee met on August 16, 2016. Mr. Zucco made this report.

Personnel Committee - Mr. Steve Schlauch, Chair

Recommend approval to accept the resignation of Kathleen Graczyk, Director of Special Education, retroactive August 19, 2016.

Motion by: Schlauch, Second by: Caldwell

Final Resolution: Motion passes

Yes: Caldwell, Colella, Dowdell, Gallagher, Rogers, Schlauch, Zucco

No: None

Absent: Roessler and Stepnick

Recommend approval to accept the retirement of Beth Brown, Nurse's Aide, effective September 30, 2016.

Motion by: Schlauch, Second by: Caldwell

Final Resolution: Motion passes

Yes: Caldwell, Colella, Dowdell, Gallagher, Rogers, Schlauch, Zucco

No: None

Absent: Roessler and Stepnick

Recommend approval to accept the resignation of the following Bus Drivers, as listed:

a. Brenda Batley-Bianco, retroactive to August 15, 2016.

b. Michael Sweeney, retroactive to August 18, 2016.

Motion by: Schlauch, Second by: Caldwell

Final Resolution: Motion passes

Yes: Caldwell, Colella, Dowdell, Gallagher, Rogers, Schlauch, Zucco

No: None

Absent: Roessler and Stepnick

Recommend approval to hire the following Bus Drivers, effective Augustt 24, 2016, at the contracted rate, as listed.

a. Debra Howard

b. Mary Margaret Esler

Motion by: Schlauch, Second by: Caldwell

Final Resolution: Motion passes

Yes: Caldwell, Colella, Dowdell, Gallagher, Rogers, Schlauch, Zucco

No: None

Absent: Roessler and Stepnick

Recommend approval to hire the following Substitute Bus Drivers and Bus Aide effective August 24, 2016, at the contracted rates, as listed:

- a. Larry Ault, Substitute Driver
- b. Allen Ford, Substitute Driver
- c. Mary Ellen Gamble, Substitute Driver
- d. John McAleavey, Substitute Driver
- e. Joseph Telles, Substitute Driver
- f. Daniel Yushinski, Substitute Driver
- g. Thomas Murphy, Bus Aide

Motion by: Schlauch, Second by: Caldwell

Final Resolution: Motion passes

Yes: Caldwell, Colella, Dowdell, Gallagher, Rogers, Schlauch, Zucco

No: None

Absent: Roessler and Stepnick

Recommend approval of the following Special Service Sponsors for the 2016-2017 school year, at the contracted rate, as listed:

- a. Colonel Richard Peterson - Student Government
- b. Amy Semnisky and Kristy Smethwick - Senior High Yearbook Sponsors with a shared stipend

Motion by: Schlauch, Second by: Caldwell

Final Resolution: Motion passes

Yes: Caldwell, Colella, Dowdell, Gallagher, Rogers, Schlauch, Zucco

No: None

Absent: Roessler and Stepnick

Recommend approval of an intermittent leave, in accordance with the Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA) for Jennifer Evans for the 2016-2017 school year.

Motion by: Schlauch, Second by: Caldwell

Final Resolution: Motion passes

Yes: Caldwell, Colella, Dowdell, Gallagher, Rogers, Schlauch, Zucco

No: None

Absent: Roessler and Stepnick

Recommend approval to postpone the retirement of Eugene Marraccini, Director of Business Affairs, to September 30, 2016, on an as needed basis.

Motion by: Schlauch, Second by: Caldwell

Final Resolution: Motion passes

Yes: Caldwell, Colella, Dowdell, Gallagher, Rogers, Schlauch, Zucco

No: None

Absent: Roessler and Stepnick

Education Committee – Mrs. Susan Caldwell, Chair

Recommend approval to accept the 2016-2017 Agreements as listed:

- a. Glade Run Lutheran Services
- b. NHS Pennsylvania
- c. Epic Communications
- d. Alt. Education for Disruptive Youth (PHASE 4 Learning Center, Inc.)
- e. Becky Moyes, Grade Point Resources

Motion by: Caldwell, Second by: Gallagher

Final Resolution: Motion passes

Yes: Caldwell, Colella, Dowdell, Gallagher, Rogers, Schlauch, Zucco

No: None

Absent: Roessler and Stepnick

Recommend approval the following overnight field trip request, as listed.

Group	Dates	Location	Purpose
PHS Music Department	April 28-30, 2017	Williamsburg, VA	Music Festival

Motion by: Caldwell, Second by: Gallagher

Final Resolution: Motion passes

Yes: Caldwell, Colella, Dowdell, Gallagher, Rogers, Schlauch, Zucco

No: None

Absent: Roessler and Stepnick

The Education Committee met on August 16, 2016. Mrs. Caldwell made the report.

Finance Committee – Mr. Sal Colella, Chair

Recommend approval of the Treasurer’s Report and bill payments for July 2016, as presented.

Motion by: Colella, Second by: Caldwell

Final Resolution: Motion passes

Yes: Caldwell, Colella, Dowdell, Gallagher, Rogers, Schlauch, Zucco

No: None

Absent: Roessler and Stepnick

Recommend approval to appoint Local Auditors Bielau, Tierney, Coon & Company, P.C. commencing September 6, 2016 for a term of one year for the 2015-2016 school year, as attached.

Motion by: Colella, Second by: Caldwell

Final Resolution: Motion passes

Yes: Caldwell, Colella, Dowdell, Rogers, Schlauch, Zucco

No: Gallagher

Absent: Roessler and Stepnick

Recommend approval to accept the Special Education Settlement for Student A.

Motion by: Colella, Second by: Caldwell

Final Resolution: Motion passes

Yes: Caldwell, Colella, Dowdell, Gallagher, Rogers, Schlauch, Zucco

No: None

Absent: Roessler and Stepnick

Recommend approval of a reimbursement resolution in the amount of \$719,715 related to purchase of nine new buses.

Motion by: Colella, Second by: Caldwell

Final Resolution: Motion passes

Yes: Caldwell, Colella, Dowdell, Gallagher, Rogers, Schlauch, Zucco

No: None

Absent: Roessler and Stepnick

Discussion - Provide the Finance Team with direction as far as size of bond issue for buses and school construction.

The Finance Committee met on August 16, 2016. Mr. Colella made this report.

Policy Committee – Mrs. Vicky Roessler, Chair

Information Only - The next set of policies are ready for review. We will schedule policy review beginning in September.

- a. 102, 120, 123
- b. 211, 213, 215, 219, 223, 224, 225, 228, 231
- c. 304
- d. 702
- e. 821, 823

The Policy Committee met on August 16, 2016.

Safe and Supportive Schools Committee – Mrs. Vicky Roessler, Chair

Recommend approval of the 2016 United Against Bullying (UAB) Grant from Safe Fleet and SEON in the amount of \$2,000 to be used toward bullying initiatives.

Mr. Colella temporarily left the meeting at 8:20PM.

Motion by: Caldwell, Second by: Gallagher

Final Resolution: Motion passes

Yes: Caldwell, Dowdell, Gallagher, Rogers, Schlauch, Zucco

No: None

Absent: Colella, Roessler and Stepnick

The Safe and Supportive Schools Committee met on August 16, 2016.

Transportation Committee – Mr. Jim Rogers, Chair

Information Only - Bus schedules have been updated; please check the website for the most current information.

The Transportation Committee did not meet this month. Mr. Rogers made a report.

Athletic Committee – Mrs. Michele Gallagher, Chair

Recommend approval to hire the following coaches for the 2016-17 school year at the contracted rate, as listed:

- a. John Hartnett - Senior High Girls' Asst. Basketball Coach
- b. Scott Morrison - 9th Grade Asst. Football Coach

Motion by: Gallagher, Second by: Caldwell

Final Resolution: Motion passes

Yes: Caldwell, Dowdell, Gallagher, Rogers, Schlauch, Zucco

No: None

Absent: Colella, Roessler and Stepnick

Recommend approval to accept Paul Paradise as a Senior High Volunteer Assistant Boys' Soccer Coach.

Motion by: Gallagher, Second by: Caldwell

Final Resolution: Motion passes

Yes: Caldwell, Dowdell, Gallagher, Rogers, Schlauch, Zucco

No: None

Absent: Colella, Roessler and Stepnick

The Athletic Committee did not meet this month. Mrs. Gallagher made a report.

Mr. Colella returned at 8:32PM.

Food Service and Nutrition Committee – Mrs. Michelle Stepnick, Chair

The Food Service and Nutrition Committee did not meet this month.

Intergovernmental Committee – Mrs. Susan Caldwell, Chair

An Intergovernmental Committee Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 14, 2016.

**Forbes Road Career and Technology Center - Mr. Jim Rogers,
Representative**

Mr. Rogers made this report.

President's Report – Mr. Kevin Dowdell

Mr. Dowdell made this report.

Announcements

A Committee of the Whole is scheduled for Tuesday, September 6, 2016 6:00PM in the Borough Council Chambers.

The regular September Board Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 27, 2016 at 7:00 PM in the Borough Council Chambers.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 8:37PM.

Motion by: Gallagher, Second by: Zucco

Final Resolution: Motion passes

Yes: Caldwell, Colella, Dowdell, Gallagher, Rogers, Schlauch, Zucco

No: None

Absent: Roessler and Stepnick

ATTEST TO:

Board Secretary