

**Plum Borough Board of School Directors
Regular Board Meeting
900 Elicker Road Plum, PA 15239**

August 30, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.

Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Dowdell called the meeting to order at 7:09 p.m.
Mr. Dowdell led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.
Mr. Dowdell began the meeting by extending his sympathy to the Griffith Family on behalf of the Board.

Roll Call: Mr. Colella, Mr. Dowdell, Mr. Drake, Mr. Matthews, Mr. McGough, Mrs. McGuirk, Mr. McMasters, Mr. Russo, Mrs. White
Mrs. Vento took roll; Mr. Russo was absent.

Correspondence

No correspondence this month.

Executive Session

The Board met in Executive Session on August 23, 2011 and again this evening before and after the Regular Board Meeting to discuss matters of personnel and collective bargaining.

Approval of Minutes

Recommend approval of the following Minutes:
July 26, 2011 Regular Board Meeting; August 9, 2011 Special Voting Meeting; August 9, 2011 Education Committee Meeting; August 9, 2011 Athletic Committee Meeting; August 16, 2011 Finance Committee Meeting; and the August 23, 2011 Facilities Committee Meeting.

Motion by: Shane McMasters, second by: Andrew Drake

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, Matthews, McGough, McGuirk, McMasters, White

Citizens' Comments on Agenda Items

Mrs. Robin McGrath, Blue Ridge Road, spoke regarding the paraprofessionals who were furloughed.

Citizens' Comments on Non-Agenda Items

Mr. Bill Ferguson, Wayside Lane Verona, spoke regarding a pilot program for teacher evaluations.

Facilities Committee – Mr. Jeff Matthews, Chair

Recommend retroactive approval to accept the Use of School Facilities Application from the Plum Area Youth Soccer Association as presented.

Motion by: Jeff Matthews, second by: Andrew Drake

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, Matthews, McGough, McGuirk, McMasters, White

Recommend approval to accept the Use of School Facilities applications as presented.

Motion by: Jeff Matthews, second by: Andrew Drake

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, Matthews, McGough, McGuirk, McMasters, White

Recommend that PDE's Plan Con Part G: Project Accounting Based on Bids' approval, for the construction of the New Pivik Elementary School, Project No. 3584, dated August 2, 2011 be entered into the minutes of tonight's meeting.

Motion by: Jeff Matthews, second by: Andrew Drake

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes Colella, Dowdell, Drake, Matthews, McGough, McGuirk, McMasters, White

Recommend approval to accept the maintenance agreement with McQuay Factory Service for the district chillers at the same annual price as last year, \$10,380.00 effective September 1, 2011.

Motion by: Jeff Matthews, second by: Andrew Drake

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes Colella, Dowdell, Drake, Matthews, McGough, McGuirk, McMasters, White

Recommend approval to pay the August Construction Project Invoices as presented.

Motion by: Jeff Matthews, second by: Andrew Drake

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes Colella, Dowdell, Drake, Matthews, McGough, McGuirk, McMasters, White

Recommend approval with a roll call vote for additional services for wetlands assessment for the new Plum Softball field at Plum Senior High School in the amount of \$2,000 as presented; as requested by the Allegheny County Conservation District.

Motion by: Jeff Matthews, second by: Andrew Drake

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes Colella, Dowdell, Drake, Matthews, McGough, McGuirk, McMasters, White

The Facilities Committee met on August 23, 2011. Mr. Matthews made the report. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 6, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. in the Administrative Conference Room.

Personnel Committee – Mrs. Rose McGuirk, Chair

Recommend approval to accept the retirement of Ms. Peggy Hagood, Food Service Worker, retroactive to July 26, 2011.

Motion by: Rose McGuirk, second by: Loretta White

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, Matthews, McGough, McGuirk, McMasters, White

Recommend approval to accept the retirement of Ms. Marion Brown, Bus Aide, retroactive to August 25, 2011.

Motion by: Rose McGuirk, second by: Loretta White

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, Matthews, McGough, McGuirk, McMasters, White

Recommend approval to hire the following Alternative Education teachers at a rate of \$27.00 per hour:

1. Mrs. Melissa Stewart-Leger as a Science teacher
2. Mr. Anthony Morinello as a Social Studies teacher

Motion by: Rose McGuirk, second by: Loretta White

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Abstention: McGuirk for #1 only; Yes, for #2

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, Matthews, McGough, McMasters, White

Recommend approval to hire the following Food Service Workers, effective August 31, 2011:

1. Ms. Nancy McCormick
2. Ms. Tracy Depkon
3. Ms. Patty Savinda

Motion by: Rose McGuirk, second by: Loretta White

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, Matthews, McGough, McGuirk, McMasters, White

Recommend approval to hire Mr. Scott Lazzaro as a long term substitute teacher, beginning January 2, 2012 through the end of the 2011-12 school year, replacing Mrs. Erika Richman, Science Teacher at Oblock Junior High School.

Motion by: Rose McGuirk, second by: Loretta White

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, Matthews, McGough, McGuirk, McMasters, White

Recommend approval to hire the following Staff Nurses, effective August 30, 2011:

1. Ms. Donna Patten, as a Staff Nurse at Center and Regency Park Elementary Schools.
2. Ms. Michele McIntyre, as a Staff Nurse Floater, assigned a day at each building on a seven day rotation.

Motion by: Rose McGuirk, second by: Loretta White

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, Matthews, McGough, McGuirk, McMasters, White

Recommend approval to hire the following Bus Drivers, effective August 31, 2011:

1. Ms. Sharon Carr
2. Mr. Blaise DiNatale
3. Ms. Diane Kunz

Motion by: Rose McGuirk, second by: Loretta White

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, Matthews, McGough, McGuirk, McMasters, White

Recommend approval to accept the following leaves:

1. Mrs. Beth Brown, Paraprofessional at Plum Senior High School, an unpaid FMLA leave beginning August 31, through September 5, 2011.
2. Mrs. Pamela Kennedy, Paraprofessional at Oblock Junior High School, an unpaid intermittent FMLA leave beginning August 31, 2011 through January 16, 2012.
3. Mrs. Susan Hernandez, Paraprofessional at Adlai Stevenson Elementary School, an unpaid intermittent FMLA leave beginning August 31, 2011 through June 2012.
4. Mrs. Leanne Christ, 2nd Grade Teacher at Pivik Elementary School, a maternity leave beginning on or about December 21, 2011 through February 21, 2012.

Motion by: Rose McGuirk, second by: Loretta White

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, Matthews, McGough, McGuirk, McMasters, White

Recommend approval to accept the Act 93 Administrator percentage increases for the 2011-12 school year as presented.

Motion by: Rose McGuirk, second by: Loretta White

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, Matthews, McGough, McGuirk, McMasters, White

Recommend approval to accept the Act 93 Administrator one-time payments for the 2011-12 school year as presented.

Motion by: Rose McGuirk, second by: Loretta White

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

No: White

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, Matthews, McGough, McGuirk, McMasters

Recommend approval with a roll call vote to accept the Act 93 Cook Managers agreement for the 2011-12, 2012-13 and 2013-14 school years as presented.

Motion by: Rose McGuirk, second by: Loretta White

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Abstention: Colella

No: McGuirk, White

Yes: Dowdell, Drake, Matthews, McGough, McMasters

Recommend approval to accept the Technology Technician's salaries for the 2011-12 school year as presented.

Motion by: Rose McGuirk, second by: Loretta White

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, Matthews, McGough, McGuirk, McMasters, White

Recommend approval to hire the following substitutes:

1. Ms. Ingrid Streussnig – Substitute Bus Driver
2. Ms. Rose Cestra – Substitute Bus Driver
3. Ms. Maria Pizzonia – Substitute Bus Aide
4. Mr. Frank Sacco – Substitute Security Guard

Motion by: Rose McGuirk, second by: Loretta White

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, Matthews, McGough, McGuirk, McMasters, White

Education Committee – Mr. Sal Colella, Chair

Recommend approval to accept the Memorandum of Understanding between the Plum Borough School District and the Plum Borough Education Association as presented.

Motion by: Sal Colella, second by: Loretta White

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, Matthews, McGough, McGuirk, McMasters, White

Recommend approval to accept the 2011-12 staffing assignments as presented.

Motion by: Sal Colella, second by: Loretta White

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, Matthews, McGough, McGuirk, McMasters, White

Recommend approval to accept the 2011-12 student teacher placements as presented.

Motion by: Sal Colella, second by: Loretta White

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, Matthews, McGough, McGuirk, McMasters, White

Recommend approval to accept the IDEA Section 619 Pass Through Funds Use of Funds Agreement for the 2011-12 School Year as presented.

Motion by: Sal Colella, second by: Loretta White

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, Matthews, McGough, McGuirk, McMasters, White

Information Item: Open House Dates

1. Plum Senior High School – September 22nd at 7:00 p.m.
2. Oblock Junior High School – October 6th at 7:00 p.m.
3. Elementary Schools – October 13th at 7:00 p.m.

The Education Committee met on August 9, 2011. Mr. Colella made the report. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 13, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. in the Administrative Conference Room.

Finance Committee – Mr. Andrew Drake, Chair

Recommend approval of the Treasurer's Report and bill payments for July 2011 as presented.

Motion by: Andrew Drake, second by: Jeff Matthews

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, Matthews, McGough, McGuirk, McMasters, White

Delinquent Real Estate Taxes and Fees collected by Andrews and Price for July 2011.

Prior Year Delinquent Taxes	\$65,388.60
Per Capita Taxes	\$ 220.00
Miscellaneous Fees Recovered	\$ 253.01
Total Amount Collected	\$65,861.61

Recommend accepting the GASB 45 Disclosure and Expense Report for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2011 prepared by the Hawley Consulting Group as presented.

Motion by: Andrew Drake, second by: Jeff Matthews

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, Matthews, McGough, McGuirk, McMasters, White

Recommend approval to accept the current Grant List for the 2011-12 school year.

Name	Description	Amount
District		
Accountability Block Grant	Fulltime Kindergarten Staff	\$ 221,738.00
Plum Sr. High		
Library Resource Materials	Social Studies materials	\$ 200.00
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Pivik Elementary		
Highmark Healthy High 5 Challenge	Physical Education Equipment	\$ 9,534.00
Regency Park Elementary		
Highmark Healthy High 5 Challenge	Physical Education Equipment	\$ 9,534.00

Motion by: Andrew Drake, second by: Jeff Matthews

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, Matthews, McGough, McGuirk, McMasters, White

The Finance Committee met on August 16, 2011. Mr. Drake made the report. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 20, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. in the Administrative Conference Room.

Policy Committee – Mrs. Loretta White, Chair

The Policy Committee did not meet this month. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 18, 2011.

Transportation Committee – Mr. Shane McMasters, Chair

The Transportation Committee did not meet this month.

Athletic Committee – Mr. Tom McGough, Chair

Recommend approval to accept the resignation of Ms. Brooke Taylor as the Senior High Girls' Soccer Assistant Coach effective August 26, 2011.

Motion by: Tom McGough, second by: Shane McMasters

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, Matthews, McGough, McGuirk, McMasters, White

Recommend approval to hire Ms. Danielle Riley as the Senior High Girls' Soccer Assistant Coach for the 2011-12 school year at a stipend of \$3054.00, prorated.

Motion by: Tom McGough, second by: Shane McMasters

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, Matthews, McGough, McGuirk, McMasters, White

Recommend approval to hire Mr. Bernie Pucka as the 8th Grade Girls' Basketball Coach for the 2011-12 school year at a stipend of \$2,596.00.

Motion by: Tom McGough, second by: Shane McMasters

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, Matthews, McGough, McGuirk, McMasters, White

Recommend approval to accept Mr. Bobby Franklin, Sr. as a Volunteer Varsity Basketball Assistant Coach for the 2011-12 school year.

Motion by: Tom McGough, second by: Shane McMasters

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, Matthews, McGough, McGuirk, McMasters, White

Recommend approval to add Slow Pitch Girls' Softball as a club sport at Plum High School beginning in the fall of 2012.

Motion by: Tom McGough, second by: Shane McMasters

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, Matthews, McGough, McGuirk, McMasters, White

The Athletic Committee met on August 9, 2011. Mr. McGough made the report.

Technology and Communications Committee – Mr. Shane McMasters, Chair

The Technology and Communications Committee did not meet this month.

Food Service and Nutrition Committee – Mrs. Loretta White, Chair

The Food Service and Nutrition Committee did not meet this month. The Committee will meet on Tuesday, September 13, 2011 immediately following the Education Committee Meeting.

Safety and Security Committee – Mr. Jeff Russo, Chair

The Safety and Security Committee did not meet this month.

Intergovernmental Committee – Mr. Tom McGough, Chair

The Intergovernmental Committee will meet on Monday, September 19, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. in the Plum High School Library.

Forbes Road Career and Technology Center – Mr. Jeff Russo, Representative

The Joint Committee met on August 25, 2011. Mrs. McGuirk made the report.

Eastern Area Schools – Mrs. Loretta White, Representative

The Joint Committee met on August 25, 2011. Mrs. White made the report. The next meeting is scheduled for October 27, 2011.

President's Report – Mr. Kevin Dowdell.

Mr. Dowdell made his report.

Superintendent's Report – Dr. Lillian Naccarati

Recommend approval to accept the Superintendent's Report as presented.

Motion by: Jeff Matthews, second by: Andrew Drake

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, Matthews, McGough, McGuirk, McMasters, White

Solicitor's Report

Mr. Price did not have a report this month.

Announcements

The Regular September Board Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 27, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. in the Senior High School Auditorium.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

Motion by: Shane McMasters, second by: Andrew Drake

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, Matthews, McGough, McGuirk, McMasters, White

ATTEST TO:

Board Secretary

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