

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

**MINUTES  
REGULAR VOTING MEETING**

**December 15, 2015  
PIVIK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL - CAFETERIA  
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, December 15, 2015 at 7:00PM in the Cafeteria at  
Pivik Elementary School in Allegheny County at  
900 Elicker Road Plum, PA 15239**

**Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance**

Mr. Dowdell called the meeting to order at 7:03PM and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance

**Roll Call**

Mrs. Vento took roll.

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

Absent: Stepnick

Solicitor: Mr. Lee Price

**Executive Session**

The Board met in Executive Session on December 7, December 8, and this evening, December 15, 2015 to discuss matters of personnel and negotiations.

**Approval of Minutes**

Recommend approval of the following Meeting Minutes: November 24 Regular Board Meeting; December 7 Reorganization Meeting; December 8 Special Voting Meeting; and the December 8, 2015 Committee of the Whole.

*Motion by: Colella; Second by: Caldwell*

*Final Resolution: Motion passes*

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

*No: None*

*Absent: Stepnick*

**Student Features****A. Coach Kory Flaherty – Girls' Volleyball**

1. Clairissa Hankinson – First Team All Section, Esmark All-American, and Third Team All WPIAL
2. Maddie Gestrich – Second Team All Section
3. Skyler Kutzner – Second Team All Section
4. Cassidy Soboslay – Third Team All Section
5. Megan Rengers – Third Team All Section
6. Emma Carroll – Honorable Mention All Section

**B. Coach Caitlin Schuchert – Girls' Soccer**

1. Ashley Amato – First Team All Section, All WPIAL, Valley News Dispatch Girls Player of the Year, Pittsburgh Post Gazette East Xtra Girls' Soccer All Stars
2. Nicolette Casarcia – First Team All Section, Valley News Dispatch Girls' Soccer All-Star Second Team
3. Chelsea Hubner – First Team All Section, All WPIAL, Valley News Dispatch Girls' Soccer All-Star First Team
4. Brianna Schlegel – First Team All Section, Valley News Dispatch Girls' Soccer All-Star Third Team

**C. Coach Matt Morgan - Football**

1. Eric Trenz, Guard – First Team AAAA Foothills Conference
2. Ashton Teeter, Wide Receiver – First Team AAAA Foothills Conference
3. Zach Nolan, Defensive Line – First Team AAAA Foothills Conference
4. Patrick Crossey, Defensive Back - First Team AAAA Foothills Conference
5. Nick Coxon, Defensive Back - First Team AAAA Foothills Conference
6. Jake Chapla, Kicker - First Team AAAA Foothills Conference
7. Keyshawn Smith, Tackle – Second Team AAAA Foothills Conference
8. Jake Tecak, Tackle - Second Team AAAA Foothills Conference
9. Michael Simboli, Defensive Line - Second Team AAAA Foothills Conference
10. Dylan Whiteman, Linebacker - Second Team AAAA Foothills Conference
11. Kevin Brown, Defensive Back - Second Team AAAA Foothills Conference
12. Michael Carriagino, Center – Honorable Mention AAAA Foothills Conference
13. Corey Thomas, Quarterback - Honorable Mention AAAA Foothills Conference
14. Chris Erfort, Defensive Line - Honorable Mention AAAA Foothills Conference
15. Leton Quao, Defensive Back - Honorable Mention AAAA Foothills Conference

*At 7:24 Mrs. Gallagher excused herself from the meeting she had another commitment.*

**Citizens' Comments on Agenda Items**

None

**Citizens' Comments on Non-Agenda Items**

1. **Ed Edwards, Rockland Drive, spoke regarding the basketball coach.**
2. **Deanna Turpin, Millers Lane, spoke regarding a bus accident.**
3. **David Weiss, Vale Avenue, spoke regarding the votes cast at the last meeting on Regency Park.**
4. **Debbie Bell, Jackson Road, spoke regarding transportation, lice, GOB loan, and holding an upcoming meeting at Regency housed at the old Holiday Park Elementary School.**
5. **Leigh Ann Weiss, Vale Avenue, spoke regarding a new Regency Park School.**
6. **Rege Urban, Mower Drive, spoke regarding leaving Regency Park as is, do not demolish without further discussion.**

**Agenda****Facilities Committee - Mr. Rich Zucco, Chair**

Recommend approval to pay the GOB invoices, as presented.

*Motion by: Zucco; Second by: Rogers*

*Final Resolution: Motion passes*

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

*No: None*

*Absent: Stepnick, Gallagher*

The Facilities Committee met on December 8, 2015. Mr. Zucco made this report. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 12, 2016 following Food Service & Nutrition in the Plum High School Board Room.

**Personnel Committee - Mr. Steve Schlauch, Chair**

Recommend approval to accept the retirement of Rick Kuhn, Custodian, effective December 31, 2015.

*Motion by: Schlauch; Second by: Caldwell*

*Final Resolution: Motion passes*

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

*No: None*

*Absent: Stepnick, Gallagher*

Recommend approval to accept the retirement of Judith Lamorte, Bus Driver, effective December 31, 2015.

*Motion by: Schlauch; Second by: Caldwell*

*Final Resolution: Motion passes*

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

*No: None*

*Absent: Stepnick, Gallagher*

Recommend approval to accept the resignation of Erica Skinner, Interim School Psychologist, effective December 31, 2015.

*Motion by: Schlauch; Second by: Caldwell*

*Final Resolution: Motion passes*

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

*No: None*

*Absent: Stepnick, Gallagher*

Recommend approval to accept the resignation of Theresa Damico, Bus Aide, retroactive to November 30, 2015.

*Motion by: Schlauch; Second by: Caldwell*

*Final Resolution: Motion passes*

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

*No: None*

*Absent: Stepnick, Gallagher*

Recommend approval to accept the resignation of Ryan Dzanj, Part-Time Custodian, retroactive to December 10, 2015.

*Motion by: Schlauch; Second by: Caldwell*

*Final Resolution: Motion passes*

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

*No: None*

*Absent: Stepnick, Gallagher*

Recommend approval to create Paraprofessional positions for 35 hours per week at the contracted rate.

*Motion by: Schlauch; Second by: Caldwell*

*Final Resolution: Motion passes*

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

*No: None*

*Absent: Stepnick, Gallagher*

Recommend approval to hire Tanya Tost, Paraprofessional at Center Elementary School, at the contracted rate, effective December 17, 2015.

*Motion by: Schlauch; Second by: Caldwell*

*Final Resolution: Motion passes*

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

*No: None*

*Absent: Stepnick, Gallagher*

Recommend approval to hire James George, Paraprofessional at Regency Park Elementary School, at the contracted rate, effective December 16, 2015.

*Motion by: Schlauch; Second by: Caldwell*

*Final Resolution: Motion passes*

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

*No: None*

*Absent: Stepnick, Gallagher*

Recommend approval to hire Gina Evon, part-time School Psychologist, at a per diem rate of \$190, for 20 hours per week with a start date to be determined by the Superintendent and an end date not to exceed the end of the 2015-2016 school year.

*Motion by: Schlauch; Second by: Caldwell*

*Final Resolution: Motion passes*

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

*No: None*

*Absent: Stepnick, Gallagher*

Recommend approval to hire Karen Brinker, Bus Driver, at the contracted rate effective, December 16, 2015.

*Motion by: Schlauch; Second by: Caldwell*

*Final Resolution: Motion passes*

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

*No: None*

*Absent: Stepnick, Gallagher*

Recommend approval of a leave for Tracey Heffron, beginning on or about June 7, 2016 through October 2, 2016.

*Motion by: Schlauch; Second by: Caldwell*

*Final Resolution: Motion passes*

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

*No: None*

*Absent: Stepnick, Gallagher*

Recommend approval to accept an intermittent leave, for Jeff Weber, beginning December 16, 2016 for a period not to exceed one year.

*Motion by: Schlauch; Second by: Caldwell*

*Final Resolution: Motion passes*

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

*No: None*

*Absent: Stepnick, Gallagher*

Recommend approval of a professional contract, for Stephanie Reilly, after successfully completing three years of service.

*Motion by: Schlauch; Second by: Caldwell*

*Final Resolution: Motion passes*

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

*No: None*

*Absent: Stepnick, Gallagher*

**Education Committee – Mrs. Susan Caldwell, Chair**

Recommend approval of the Glade Run Lutheran Services Agreement, as presented.

*Motion by: Caldwell; Second by: Roessler*

*Final Resolution: Motion passes*

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

*No: None*

*Absent: Stepnick, Gallagher*

The Education Committee met on December 8, 2015. Mrs. Caldwell made this report. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 5, 2016 at 6:00PM in the Plum High School Board Room.

**Finance Committee – Mr. Sal Colella, Chair**

Recommend approval of the Treasurer's Report and bill payments for December 2015, as presented.

*Motion by: Colella; Second by: Caldwell*

*Final Resolution: Motion passes*

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

*No: None*

*Absent: Stepnick, Gallagher*

The Finance Committee met on December 8, 2015. Mr. Colella will make this report. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 19, 2016, following the Special Voting Meeting in the Plum High School Board Room. Budget workshops have been scheduled for 12/22/2015 and 1/5/2016 in the Plum High School Board Room.

**Policy Committee – Mrs. Vicky Roessler, Chair**

The Policy Committee and Safe and Supportive Schools will meet on Tuesday, January 5, 2016, following the Education Committee Meeting in the Plum High School Board Room.

**Transportation Committee – Mr. Jim Rogers, Chair**

The Transportation Committee did not meet this month.



**Athletic Committee – Mrs. Michele Gallagher, Chair**

Recommend approval to hire the following Coaches, at the contracted rates, for the Spring season, as listed:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Position</b>
Wade Campbell	Junior High Head Boys' Track Coach
Ryan Silvis	Junior High Assistant Girls' Track Coach
Rick Peterson	Senior High Head Boys' Volleyball Coach

*Motion by: Caldwell; Second by: Colella*

*Final Resolution: Motion passes*

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

*No: None*

*Absent: Stepnick, Gallagher*

Recommend approval to accept the following Volunteer Coaches for the 2015-2016 school year:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Position</b>
Mike Monstrola	Volunteer Assistant 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Boys' Basketball Coach
Tyler Podvasnik	Volunteer Assistant 9 <sup>th</sup> Grade Baseball Coach
Kenyan Hicks	Volunteer Assistant Senior High Track Coach

*Motion by: Caldwell; Second by: Colella*

*Final Resolution: Motion passes*

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

*No: None*

*Absent: Stepnick, Gallagher*

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

The Food Service and Nutrition Committee will meet on Tuesday, January 12, 2016 in the Plum High School Board Room.

**Intergovernmental Committee – Mrs. Susan Caldwell, Chair**

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

**Eastern Area Schools - Mrs. Michele Gallagher, Representative**

**Legislative Policy Council – Mrs. Michelle Stepnick, Representative**

**President's Report – Mr. Kevin Dowdell**

Mr. Dowdell made this report.

**Announcements**

A Special Voting Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 19, 2016 at 6:00PM in the Plum High School Board Room.

The regular January Board Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 26, 2016 at 7:00 PM in the Oblock High School Auditorium.

**Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn at 8:17PM.

*Motion by: Zucco; Second by: Caldwell*

*Final Resolution: Motion passes*

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

*No: None*

*Absent: Stepnick, Gallagher*

ATTEST TO:

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Board Secretary