

PLUM BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Mr. Joe Tommarello, Chairperson, Mr. Sal Colella, Mrs. Loretta White

DATE: May 7, 2013

TIME: 6:00

LOCATION: Board Room

Citizens' comments on agenda items: NONE

Citizens' comments on non-agenda items:

Judy Grassi: Special education, overcrowded classrooms, FCS

John DeLuce: Elementary band program

Parent: Elementary band program

Dawn Check: Restricted fund balance and program cuts

Robin McGrath: Program cuts

Parent: Support of music program

Colleen Prokopik: FCS support

Carrie Mattarazzo: Program cuts and FCS

Parent: Support of FCS, band, and electives

Board Members Present: Mr. Tommarello, Mr. Colella, Mrs. White, Mr. Drake, Mr. St. Leger. Mr. Dowdell, Mr. Zucco, Mr. McGough

1. AGENDA ACTION ITEMS:

- A. Recommend approval of the agreement with Viglione Photography, attached.
 - i. Action: Move to Regular voting meeting*
- B. Recommend to accept a donation in the amount of \$1,500 from the Regency Park PTA for the purchase of iPads.
 - i. Action: Move to Regular voting meeting*
- C. Recommend approval of the following Overnight Field Trip Request:
 - i. National Honor Society and their sponsors, Mr. Berrott and Mr. Magnusen, to Disney's Make-A-Wish Village in Florida, January 16 to 20, 2014.*
 - i. Action: Move to Regular voting meeting*
- D. Recommend approval of the agreement with Adelphoi Education for Elementary Education Services, attached.
 - i. Action: Move to Regular voting meeting*
- E. Recommend approval with Mars Home for Youth for Out of District Special Education Services, attached.
 - i. Action: Move to Regular voting meeting*

2. AGENDA DISCUSSION ITEMS:
 - A. In Plum Proposal, details attached
 - i. *Action: Move to Regular voting meeting*
3. AGENDA INFORMATION ITEMS:
 - A. Spring Keystone Exam update
 - i. May 13 & 14 Biology, 541 students (delayed start)
 - ii. May 15 & 16 Algebra, 380 students (delayed start)
 - iii. May 17 & 20 English Language Arts, 125 students

Discussion: Administration presented the Keystone assessment plan as outlined above.
 - B. AP Exams
 - i. May 6-May 13, various courses
 - C. eSchool View Mobile Browser numbers, past year
 - i. 109,864 mobile visits
 - ii. 394,534 desktop visits
 - D. Wednesday May 15, WTAE Meteorologist will visit Center Elementary and will air on the evening news.
4. Old/New Business Discussion
 - A. NAEP scores will be reported in the State's data. Individual schools do not get the assessment results. The Committee recommended that we reconsider participating in the assessment since we do not receive school specific data.
 - B. Mr. Colella discussed the future need for Keystone remediation and mandatory language in 8th grade and more math support in elementary schools.
 - C. Budget discussion on the following topics: including restricted fund balance, facilities, revenues, class size, millage. The following programs were discussed: [HS] JROTC – 3, Family Consumer Science – 3, Business Ed – 3, Librarian – 1, Guidance – 1, Tech Ed – 2, TV Production – 1; [Oblock] Computers – 2, World Language – 2, Tech Ed – 2; [Elem] Guidance- 1

Adjourned: 8:11

NEXT MEETING:

DATE: June 4, 2013

TIME: 6:00