



Plum Borough School District  
900 Elicker Road  
Plum, PA 15239

TO: Plum Borough Board of School Directors  
FROM: Dr. Gail Yamnitzky, Acting Superintendent  
RE: February Discussion/Regular Voting Meeting  
DATE: February 27, 2018; 7:00pm in the PHS Library

### **Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance**

Mr. Schlauch called the meeting to order at 7:13PM.

### **Roll Call**

Mr. Zahorchak took roll.

Present: Anderson, Caldwell, Coulson, Kolar, Roessler, Schlauch, Wisniewski (Via Telephone), Zucco

Absent: Rogers

Solicitor: Mr. Bruce Dice

### **Executive Session**

The Board met in Executive Session on February 20, 2018 and February 27, 2018 to discuss matters of litigation, personnel, real estate and contract negotiations.

Recommend approval of the following Meeting Minutes, as listed:

1. January 30, 2018 Regular Voting Meeting Minutes
2. February 13, 2018 Special Voting Meeting Minutes

*Motion by: Caldwell, Second by: Roessler*

*Final Resolution: Motion passes*

*Yes: Anderson, Caldwell, Coulson, Kolar, Roessler, Schlauch, Wisniewski, Zucco*

*No: None*

*Absent: Rogers*

### **Student Features:**

Winner of the 2018 "Me? A School Librarian" Contest: Elsa Van Beek

### **Citizens' Comments on agenda items**

Dave Weiss, Vale Drive, spoke regarding building configuration options, along with the pros and cons

Amy Wetmore, Unity Center Road, spoke regarding building configuration options

Leann Weiss, Vale Drive, spoke regarding building configuration options

Adam Hill, New Texas Road, spoke regarding having a plan regarding building configuration options

Tracy Riggins, Allegheny Avenue, spoke regarding taxes, negotiations for real estate

Jennifer Kearney, Mower Drive, spoke regarding wanting what is best for her child

April Barnes, New Texas Road, spoke regarding having to make difficult decisions

#### **Citizens' Comments on non-agenda items**

John Petrica, Lynn Ann Drive, spoke regarding background of having to make difficult decisions and the impact of taxes on seniors

Wayne Bursch, Lynn Ann Drive, spoke regarding impact of taxes

Michelle Gallagher, Opina Drive, spoke regarding taxes and reasons she ran for school board

Ron Keaton, Wedgewood Drive, spoke regarding balancing a budget without raising taxes and considering seniors

Amy Wetmore, Unity Center Drive, spoke regarding raising taxes

Leinn Weiss, Vale Drive, spoke regarding campaigning regarding buildings and budgets

Adam Hill, New Texas Road, spoke regarding being put on the watchlist

#### **Athletic Committee - Mrs. Susan Caldwell, Chairperson**

Approve the following overnight trips:

Mr. Alpino, PA AD Conference, Cost Breakdown/Benefits to District

<b>Requested by:</b>	<b>Purpose:</b>	<b>Dates:</b>	<b>Destination:</b>	<b>Cost/Paid for by:</b>
Bob Alpino	PA State Athletic Directors Conference	March 20-23	Hershey, PA	\$900 / Athletic General Budget

*Motion by: Caldwell, Second by: Roessler*

*Final Resolution: Motion passes*

*Yes: Anderson, Caldwell, Coulson, Kolar, Roessler, Schlauch, Wisniewski, Zucco*

*No: None*

*Absent: Rogers*

Recommend approval to hire the following paid Coaches for the 2017-18 season:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Stipend</b>
Ryan Kesterholt	Weight Room Coach	\$1,268
Madison Gestrich	Sr. High Boys Asst. Volleyball	\$3,448

Nathan Rebovich	Jr. High Boys' Asst. Track Coach	\$2,059
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Recommend approval to accept the following Volunteer Coaches for the 2017-18 season:

Name	Position
Alex Casile	Boys' Vol. Assistant Lacrosse Coach
Christopher DeMichei	Boys' Vol. Assistant Lacrosse Coach

*Motion by: Caldwell, Second by: Roessler*

*Final Resolution: Motion passes*

*Yes: Anderson, Caldwell, Coulson, Kolar, Roessler, Schlauch, Wisniewski, Zucco*

*No: None*

*Absent: Rogers*

Mrs. Caldwell make the report.

#### **Education Committee - Dr. Anderson, Chairperson**

Recommend approval of the following overnight trips:

Mr. Burkey, ISTE Request, Cost Breakdown/Benefits to District

Mrs. Rowe, PA Librarian Conference Request, Cost Breakdown/Benefits to District

Requested by:	Purpose:	Dates:	Destination:	Cost/Paid for by:
Colonel Peterson	Mountaineer Cadet Leadership School	June 17-23	Athens, WV	Fundraisers; Parent Contributions
Colonel Peterson	Cadet Leadership Course	June 2-10	Marine Corps Base Hawaii, Honolulu, HI	Fundraisers; Parent Contributions
Chris Burkey	ISTE 2018 *see link above to costing out and benefit to district	June 24-27	Chicago, IL	\$2,600 / District (Approve)
Sarah Fitzmaurice; Kristen O'Block	PDE Conference 2018	February 26-28	Hershey, PA	Paid for with Project Max Stipend from PDE for \$2,000
John DeLuce	Accompany student to PMEA Region I Chorus	February 28 - March 2	Butler, PA	\$152 / District
Kristen Rowe	PA School Librarians Association *see link	May 3-5	Hershey, PA	\$650 / District

	above to costing out and benefit to district			
Andrew Bronkaj	PMEA Western Region Orchestra Festival	March 22-24	West Middlesex, PA	\$135 / District

*Motion by: Caldwell, Second by: Roessler*

*Final Resolution: Motion passes*

*Yes: Anderson, Caldwell, Coulson, Kolar, Roessler, Schlauch, Wisniewski, Zucco*

*No: None*

*Absent: Rogers*

Recommend approval to accept donations from the following as listed:

- \$1000 worth of maps of the physical Internet received by Stephanie Reilly at the high school for their iMac lab. Donated by TeleGeography (a company that makes telecommunications map; each map is valued at \$250).
- \$5000 from Lowe's for the "Experience Virtual Reality in the PHS Media Center" to Stephanie Reilly at the high school.
- \$250 from DonorsChoose.org to Stephanie Reilly at the high school for Hue Smart Light Bulbs.
- \$158 through DonorsChoose.org for Mark Dinga, Pivik to provide eight high interest non-fiction books to the Pivik Library for the primary grades.
- \$158 through DonorsChoose.org for Mark Dinga, Pivik to provide sixteen non-fiction books to the Pivik Library for cross-curricular projects for the intermediate grades.
- \$5,000 has been awarded to Stephanie Reilly and Martha Freese from NEA for professional development camp this Spring
- \$200 awarded to Plum High School from AIU3 to support Remake Learning Days Event at PHS.
- \$200 awarded to Center Elementary School from AIU3 to support Remake Learning Days Event at Center.
- \$487.85 awarded to Nicole Pifer at Pivik through DonorsChoose.org for a light box and material
- Chromebooks awarded to David Evans at Regency through DonorsChoose.org.
- \$493.34 awarded to Nate Pfeiffer at Regency through DonorsChoose.org for Shero Coding Droids.
- \$5,000 awarded to the Jessica Griggle/Plum Food Service Department from the Mid-Atlantic Dairy Association to help support the breakfast program at the high school.
- 2 laptops awarded to Jessica Griggle/Plum Food Service Department by the Community Food bank to aid the cafes in the high school and the lounge at Oblock

*Motion by: Anderson, Second by: Roessler*

*Final Resolution: Motion passes*

*Yes: Anderson, Caldwell, Coulson, Kolar, Roessler, Schlauch, Wisniewski, Zucco*

*No: None*

*Absent: Rogers*

Recommend approval of the PHS Program of Studies for the 2018-2019 school year

*Motion by: Anderson, Second by: Roessler*

*Final Resolution: Motion passes*

*Yes: Anderson, Caldwell, Coulson, Kolar, Roessler, Schlauch, Wisniewski, Zucco*  
*No: None*  
*Absent: Rogers*

Recommend approval of the Summer Activity Program

*Motion by: Anderson, Second by: Caldwell*

*Final Resolution: Motion passes*

*Yes: Anderson, Caldwell, Coulson, Kolar, Roessler, Schlauch, Wisniewski, Zucco*

*No: None*

*Absent: Rogers*

Recommend approval of ESY Contract from Keystone Consulting

*Motion by: Anderson, Second by: Roessler*

*Final Resolution: Motion passes*

*Yes: Anderson, Caldwell, Coulson, Kolar, Roessler, Schlauch, Wisniewski, Zucco*

*No: None*

*Absent: Rogers*

Recommend approval of Camp Invention @ Holiday Park June 18-22

*Motion by: Anderson, Second by: Roessler*

*Final Resolution: Motion passes*

*Yes: Anderson, Caldwell, Coulson, Kolar, Roessler, Schlauch, Wisniewski, Zucco*

*No: None*

*Absent: Rogers*

Recommend approval of STEM Girls Camp @ Plum High School June 18-21

*Motion by: Anderson, Second by: Caldwell*

*Final Resolution: Motion passes*

*Yes: Anderson, Caldwell, Coulson, Kolar, Roessler, Schlauch, Wisniewski, Zucco*

*No: None*

*Absent: Rogers*

Recommend approval of STEM Staff Camp @ Plum High School June 25-28

*Motion by: Anderson, Second by: Caldwell*

*Final Resolution: Motion passes*

*Yes: Anderson, Caldwell, Coulson, Kolar, Roessler, Schlauch, Wisniewski, Zucco*

*No: None*

*Absent: Rogers*

Dr. Anderson made the report.

**Safe Schools Committee - Mrs. Roessler, Chairperson**

Mrs. Roessler made the report.

Motion to task solicitor to develop a resolution to advocate legislative groups for additional state and federal funding for safety

*Motion by: Roessler, Second by: Caldwell*

*Final Resolution: Motion passes*

*Yes: Anderson, Caldwell, Coulson, Kolar, Roessler, Schlauch, Wisniewski, Zucco*

*No: None*

*Absent: Rogers*

### **Eastern Area Schools - Dr. Anderson, Representative**

Dr. Anderson made the report.

### **Facilities Committee - Mr. Coulson, Chairperson**

Recommend approval to move forward with the Oblock roof and sewage options

*Motion by: Coulson, Second by: Caldwell*

*Final Resolution: Motion passes*

*Yes: Anderson, Caldwell, Coulson, Kolar, Roessler, Schlauch, Wisniewski, Zucco*

*No: None*

*Absent: Rogers*

Configuration update – VEBH- Dan Engen provided the update.

Recommend to retroactively approve Shearer Electric to perform bus garage work

*Motion by: Coulson, Second by: Caldwell*

*Final Resolution: Motion passes*

*Yes: Anderson, Caldwell, Coulson, Kolar, Roessler, Schlauch, Wisniewski, Zucco*

*No: None*

*Absent: Rogers*

Recommend approval to use Co-Star vendor, CCL, to complete Infrastructure Upgrade for VOIP

*Motion by: Coulson, Second by: Caldwell*

*Final Resolution: Motion passes*

*Yes: Anderson, Caldwell, Coulson, Kolar, Roessler, Schlauch, Wisniewski, Zucco*

*No: None*

*Absent: Rogers*

Recommend approval to accept the Agreement of Sale for 606 Millers Lane, Plum, PA 15239

*Motion by: Coulson, Second by: Caldwell*

*Final Resolution: Motion passes*

*Yes: Anderson, Caldwell, Coulson, Kolar, Roessler, Schlauch, Wisniewski, Zucco*

*No: None*

*Absent: Rogers*

No report.

### **Finance Committee - Mr. Schlauch, Chairperson**

Exonerate Mr. Harry Schlegel, Real Estate Tax Collector, in the amount of \$1,025,410.57 for real estate taxes and an additional \$42,369.95 in supplemental real estate taxes, per attached

*Motion by: Coulson, Second by: Caldwell*

*Final Resolution: Motion passes*

*Yes: Anderson, Caldwell, Coulson, Kolar, Roessler, Schlauch, Wisniewski, Zucco*

*No: None*

*Absent: Rogers*

Recommend approval of GOB Bills for February

*Motion by: Coulson, Second by: Caldwell*

*Final Resolution: Motion passes*

*Yes: Anderson, Caldwell, Coulson, Kolar, Roessler, Schlauch, Wisniewski, Zucco*

*No: None*

*Absent: Rogers*

Recommend approval of Treasurer's Report for and Food Service Reports January

*Motion by: Coulson, Second by: Caldwell*

*Final Resolution: Motion passes*

*Yes: Anderson, Caldwell, Coulson, Kolar, Roessler, Schlauch, Wisniewski, Zucco*

*No: None*

*Absent: Rogers*

Recommend approval of Budget Transfers for February

*Motion by: Coulson, Second by: Caldwell*

*Final Resolution: Motion passes*

*Yes: Anderson, Caldwell, Coulson, Kolar, Roessler, Schlauch, Wisniewski, Zucco*

*No: None*

*Absent: Rogers*

Recommend approval of 2018-19 AIU Program of Services Budget in the amount of \$2,086,109. The Plum Borough School District contribution is estimated to be \$43,328 and will be determined by PDE according to District Aid Ratio and Weighted Average Daily Membership

*Motion by: Coulson, Second by: Caldwell*

*Final Resolution: Motion passes*

*Yes: Anderson, Caldwell, Coulson, Kolar, Roessler, Schlauch, Wisniewski, Zucco*

*No: None*

*Absent: Rogers*

Recommend approval of Continuation of E-Rate Agreement Year 21

*Motion by: Coulson, Second by: Caldwell*

*Final Resolution: Motion passes*

*Yes: Anderson, Caldwell, Coulson, Kolar, Roessler, Schlauch, Wisniewski, Zucco*

*No: None*

*Absent: Rogers*

Recommend approval of the following overnight trips:

<b>Requested by:</b>	<b>Purpose:</b>	<b>Dates:</b>	<b>Destination:</b>	<b>Cost/Paid for by:</b>
John Zahorchak	PASBO Annual Conference	March 7-9	Hershey, PA	\$900 / District

*Motion by: Coulson, Second by: Caldwell*

*Final Resolution: Motion passes*

*Yes: Anderson, Caldwell, Coulson, Kolar, Roessler, Schlauch, Wisniewski, Zucco*

*No: None*

*Absent: Rogers*

Mr. Schlauch made the report.

#### **Food Service Committee - Mr. Rogers, Chairperson**

No report

#### **Forbes Road CTC - Mr. Rogers, Representative**

No report

#### **Intergovernmental Committee - Mrs. Roessler, Chairperson**

Mrs. Roessler made the report.

#### **Legislative Policy Council - Mrs. Caldwell**

Mrs. Caldwell made the report.

#### **Personnel Committee - Mr. Scott Kolar, Chairperson**

Recommend approval to accept the retirement of Alex Signor, Custodian at Oblock Junior High School, effective April 3, 2018.

Recommend approval to hire, Marie Meyers, Full-time Custodian at the Plum Senior High School, effective March 1, 2018.

Recommend approval to hire the following Transportation personnel effective February 28, 2018:

1. Sandy McNichols, Bus Aide

Recommend approval to hire the following Part-time Shift Custodians, retroactive to February 12, 2018:

1. Joseph Kunz
2. Joseph Pierce

Recommend approval to hire Tina Lowman and Donna Jablonowski, Publicity Sponsors for the 2018 Plum Senior High School Musical, at the contracted rate (split stipend).

Recommend approval for a professional contract for Retired Colonel Richard Peterson, who has successfully completed three years of service.



Recommend approval to extend the maternity leave of Melissa Urso, Reading Teacher at Oblock Junior High School, through the end of the 2017-18 school year.

Recommend approval for an unpaid, leave for Allyson Whitmer, School Nurse at Plum High School, retroactive to January 31, 2018 through February 23, 2018.

Recommend approval, in accordance with the Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA), for an intermittent leave for the following:

Mary Kay Plunkett, Paraprofessional at Holiday Park, retroactive to January 27th through the end of the 2017-18 school year.

Tracy Depkon, Food Service Worker at Pivik Elementary, beginning April 2, 2018 through May 9, 2018.

*Motion by: Kolar, Second by: Caldwell*

*Final Resolution: Motion passes*

*Yes: Anderson, Caldwell, Coulson, Kolar, Roessler, Schlauch, Wisniewski, Zucco*

*No: None*

*Absent: Rogers*

### **Policy Committee - Mr. Wisniewski, Chairperson**

Recommend approval of the following Policies as listed:

Policy 007 - Policy Manual Access

Policy 247 - Hazing

Policy 251 - Homeless Students

Policy 255 - Educational Stability for Children in Foster Care

Policy 626 - Federal Fiscal Compliance

Policy 626.1 - Travel Reimbursement - Federal Programs

Policy 808 - Food Services

Policy 810.2 - Transportation - Video/Audio Recording

Policy 827 - Conflict of Interest

*Motion by: Anderson, Second by: Caldwell*

*Final Resolution: Motion passes*

*Yes: Anderson, Caldwell, Coulson, Kolar, Roessler, Schlauch, Wisniewski, Zucco*

*No: None*

*Absent: Rogers*

Recommend approval to rescind Policy 348

*Motion by: Anderson, Second by: Caldwell*

*Final Resolution: Motion passes*

*Yes: Anderson, Caldwell, Coulson, Kolar, Roessler, Schlauch, Wisniewski, Zucco*

*No: None*

*Absent: Rogers*

No report

**Transportation Committee - Mr. Zucco, Chairperson**

No report

**Superintendent's Report - Dr. Yamnitzky, Acting Superintendent**

Dr. Yamnitzky made the report.

**President's Report - Mr. Schlauch**

Mr. Schlauch made the report.

**March Meeting Schedule**

March 6	6:00 pm	Committee Meetings	Board Room
March 13	6:00 pm	Committee Meetings	Board Room
March 20	6:00 pm	Discussion Meeting	Board Room
March 27	7:00 pm	Regular Voting Meeting	PHS Library

**Adjournment**

**Mr. Schlauch made the motion to adjourn at 9:53PM**

*Motion by: Anderson, Second by: Caldwell*

*Final Resolution: Motion passes*

*Yes: Anderson, Caldwell, Coulson, Kolar, Roessler, Schlauch, Wisniewski, Zucco*

*No: None*

*Absent: Rogers*