

**Plum Borough Board of School Directors
Regular January 31, 2012 Board Meeting
Allegheny County, Plum Borough, Pennsylvania**

January is Board Recognition Month

Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

JROTC will present the colors.

Roll Call

Mrs. Vento took roll, all board members were present.
Colella, Dowdell, Drake, McGough, McMasters, St. Leger, Tommarello,
White and Zucco

Correspondence

None

Executive Session

The Board met in Executive Session on January 24 and January 31, 2012 to discuss matters of personnel, negotiations and real estate.

Approval of Minutes

Recommend approval of the following Minutes: December 20 Regular Board Meeting; January 3 Education Committee Meeting; January 3 Policy Committee Meeting; January 10 Intergovernmental Committee Meeting; January 10 Discussion Session; January 17 Facilities Committee Meeting; and the January 24 Finance Committee Meeting.

Motion by: McMasters, Second by: Dowdell

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, McGough, McMasters, St. Leger, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

Student Features

Cadet Patrick Caughey will receive the Silver Valor Award. This is the second highest Air Force JROTC award.

District Feature

School Board Appreciation

Citizens' Comments on Agenda Items

None

Citizens' Comments on Non-Agenda Items**Facilities Committee – Mr. Shane McMasters, Chair**

Recommend approval to accept the following Use of School Facilities Applications:

ORGANIZATION	DATE OF USE	SCHOOL - AREA
1. Special Education Dept.	February 29, 2012	PHS – Library Classroom
2. PHS Baseball Boosters	March 10, 2012	PHS – Gym 1
3. PHS Swim/Dive Boosters	February 16, 2012	PHS – Cafeteria
4. PHS NHS	February 2, 2012	PHS – TV Room
5. PHS Wrestling Boosters	February 24 and 25, 2012	PHS – Gym 1 Concession Stand
6. Berks Regional Tennis Assoc.	April 28, May 5,12,19,26, and June 2, 2012	PHS – Tennis Courts
7. 6 th Grade Trip Committee (Center)	February 3, 2012	Center – Cafeteria
8. Elementary Band	February 6,27, March 5,12,19,26 and April 2,16,23,30	Pivik – Stage and Auditorium
9. Regency Park PTA	February 24, 2012	Regency Park – Gym and Cafeteria
10. Adlai PTA	February 27, 2012	Adlai - Gym

Motion by: McMasters, Second by: Dowdell

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, McGough, McMasters, St. Leger, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

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Recommend approval to accept the three-year Asbestos Re-inspections Agreement of district facilities with Center for Environmental & Occupational Training, Inc. in the amount of \$1,500.00, effective February 1, 2012.

Motion by: McMasters, Second by: Dowdell

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, McGough, McMasters, St. Leger, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

Recommend approval of the Construction Projects' Invoices, as presented.

Motion by: McMasters, Second by: Dowdell

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, McGough, McMasters, St. Leger, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

The Facilities Committee met on January 17, 2012. Mr. McMasters will make this report. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 15, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room.

Personnel Committee – Mr. Sal Colella, Chair

Recommend approval of the resignation of Mrs. Melissa Stewart-Leger, retroactive to January 20, 2012, as long term substitute for Mrs. Amber Washowich.

Motion by: Colella, Second by: Dowdell

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, McGough, McMasters, St. Leger, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

Recommend approval to hire Ms. April Conklin as a Staff Nurse at Adlai Stevenson Elementary School and Oblock Junior High School, at a salary of \$15.25 per hour, effective February 1, 2012.

Motion by: Colella, Second by: Dowdell

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Dowdell, Drake, McGough, McMasters, St. Leger, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

Abstention: Colella

Recommend approval to hire Mr. Alfred Christian as a regular Bus Driver, at a rate of \$14.80 per hour, effective February 1, 2012.

Motion by: Colella, Second by: Dowdell

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, McGough, McMasters, St. Leger, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

Recommend approval to hire Mrs. Linda Strano as a regular Bus Aide, at a rate of \$13.06 per hour, effective February 1, 2012.

Motion by: Colella, Second by: Dowdell

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, McGough, McMasters, St. Leger, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

Recommend approval to accept Mr. Skyler Hill as an unpaid intern for the Technology Department working approximately 8 hours a week, effective February 1, 2012.

Motion by: Colella, Second by: Dowdell

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, McGough, McMasters, St. Leger, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

Recommend approval of the following adjusted maternity leaves:

1. An unpaid maternity leave for Mrs. Jennifer Evans, Kindergarten Teacher at Pivik Elementary retroactive to January 24, 2012 through end of the 2011-12 school year.
2. Paid and unpaid leave for Mrs. Michele Spudich, Kindergarten teacher at Pivik Elementary School, ending March 20, 2012.
3. An unpaid maternity leave extension for Mrs. Amber Washowich, Family & Consumer Science teacher at Plum High School, retroactive from January 23, 2012 through March 25, 2012.

Motion by: Colella, Second by: Dowdell

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, McGough, McMasters, St. Leger, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

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Recommend approval to hire Ms. Candice Comunale as a long-term substitute teacher at Pivik Elementary School retroactive to January 23, 2012 through the end of the 2011-12 school year, at a per diem of \$190.00.

Motion by: Colella, Second by: Dowdell

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, McGough, McMasters, St. Leger, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

Recommend approval of a retroactive unpaid leave for Mr. Blaise DiNatale, Bus Driver for January 3 and 4, 2012, for personal reasons.

Motion by: Colella, Second by: Dowdell

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, McGough, McMasters, St. Leger, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

Recommend to accept Mrs. Judy Mahoney, as a Volunteer Consultant with the Math Science Collaborative Communities of Practice at Center Elementary School for the remainder of the 2011-12 school year, at no cost to the district.

Motion by: Colella, Second by: Dowdell

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, McGough, McMasters, St. Leger, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

Recommend approval modifying Mrs. Caitlin Martz-Schuchert's start date to January 23, 2012.

Motion by: Colella, Second by: Dowdell

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, McGough, McMasters, St. Leger, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

Education Committee – Mr. Joe Tommarello, Chair

Recommend approval to accept the second semester Student Teachers, as presented.

Motion by: Tommarello, Second by: Dowdell

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, McGough, McMasters, St. Leger, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

Recommend approval of the following overnight field trip/conference requests:

1. JROTC Students and Major Kolar to Camp Perry, Port Clinton, Ohio from February 9 – 11, 2012 for the Air Rifle Service Championships.
2. Mrs. Karkowsky to Hershey, PA from February 13-14, 2012 for the PETE & C Workshops.

Motion by: Tommarello, Second by: Dowdell

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, McGough, McMasters, St. Leger, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

Recommend approval to accept the Science, Art, and Family Consumer Science Department reviews and corresponding curricula, as presented.

Motion by: Tommarello, Second by: Dowdell

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, McGough, McMasters, St. Leger, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

The Education Committee met on January 3, 2012. Mr. Tommarello will make this report. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 7, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room.

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Finance Committee – Mr. Kevin Dowdell, Chair

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

Motion by: Dowdell, Second by: White

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, McGough, McMasters, St. Leger, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

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

Prior Year Delinquent Taxes	\$36,357.46
Per Capita Taxes	\$ 209.00
Miscellaneous Fees Recovered	\$ 219.10
Total Amount Collected	\$36,785.56

Recommend approval to adopt the Resolution declaring the former District Administration Buildings, and 1.79 acres of land designated as Lot 2 of a proposed subdivision, to be unused and unnecessary for school purposes and authorizing the sale of said Property to Michael E. Podobnik and Sherry A. Podobnik of Plum Borough, for a consideration of One Hundred and Eighty-Five Thousand (\$185,000) Dollars.

Motion by: Dowdell, Second by: McGough

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, McGough, McMasters, St. Leger, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

Recommend approval to exonerate Mr. Harry Schlegel, Current Real Estate Tax Collector, for the 2011 uncollected property taxes in the amount of \$990,017.91.

Motion by: Dowdell, Second by: McMasters

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, McGough, McMasters, St. Leger, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

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Recommend authorization for Administration to prepare and solicit for proposals (RFP) for contracted Student Transportation Services.

Motion by: Dowdell, Second by: McMasters

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, McMasters, St. Leger, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: McGough

Absent: None

Recommend approval to sell the unusable and obsolete classroom technology equipment to the highest bidder, as presented.

Motion by: Dowdell, Second by: McMasters

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, McGough, McMasters, St. Leger, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

Recommend approval to sell 54 used textbooks to the Follett Company for \$523.98, as presented.

Motion by: Dowdell, Second by: McMasters

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, McGough, McMasters, St. Leger, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

The Finance Committee met on January 24, 2012.

Mr. Dowdell will make this report. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 21, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room.

Policy Committee – Mr. Rich Zucco, Chair

Recommend approval to accept the following policies, as presented:

1. Policy No. 601 – Objectives
2. Policy No. 619 – District Audit
3. Policy No. 005 – Organization
4. Policy No. 008 – Organization Chart
5. Policy No. 317 – Reportable Offenses (Administrative Employees)
6. Policy No. 417 – Reportable Offenses (Professional Employees)
7. Policy No. 517 – Reportable Offenses (Classified Employees)
8. Policy No. 815.1 – Web Use and Linking

Motion by: Zucco, Second by: McMasters

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, McGough, McMasters, St. Leger, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

The Policy Committee met on January 3, 2012. Mr. Zucco will make this report. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 7, 2012 immediately following the Education Committee Meeting in the Board Room.

Transportation Committee – Mr. Tom McGough, Chair

The Transportation Committee did not meet this month. The Committee will meet on Wednesday, February 15, 2012 immediately following the Discussion Session in the Board Room.

Athletic Committee – Mr. John St. Leger, Chair

Recommend approval of the Memorandum of Understanding between the Plum Borough School District and the Plum Borough Education Association creating two Junior High Girls' Volleyball Co-Coaching positions, splitting the stipend equally for the 2011-12 school year.

Motion by: St. Leger, Second by: Dowdell

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, McGough, McMasters, St. Leger, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

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Rescind the December 20, 2011 Board motion hiring the following coaches:

Name	Position	Stipend
1. Mr. Wade Campbell	Oblock Asst. Boys' Track Coach	\$1,776
2. Mr. Fran Sciuillo	Oblock Head Girls' Track Coach	\$1,995

Motion by: St. Leger, Second by: Dowdell

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, McGough, McMasters, St. Leger, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

Recommend approval to hire the following coaches for the 2011-12 school year:

Name	Position	Stipend
TRACK		
1. Mr. Joe Ionta	PHS Boys' & Girls' Head Coach	\$4,435.00
2. Mr. Tony Morinello	PHS Boys' & Girls' Asst. Coach #1	\$2,886.00
3. Ms. Caitlin Schuchert	PHS Boys' & Girls' Asst. Coach #2	\$2,886.00
4. Mr. Dan Casarcia	PHS Boys' & Girls' Asst. Coach #3	\$2,886.00
BASEBALL		
5. Mr. Michael D. Schmidt	9 th Grade Coach	\$1,700.00
VOLLEYBALL		
6. Ms. Lisa Gallippi	9 th Grade Girls' Head Coach	\$2,118.00
7. Mr. Phil Beatty	Oblock Girls' Co-Coach	\$939.50
8. Mr. Joe Miller	Oblock Girls' Co-Coach	\$939.50
TENNIS		
9. Ms. Lori Senkewitz	PHS Boys' Coach	\$2,635.00
TRACK		
10. Mr. Wade Campbell	Oblock Head Girls' Coach	\$1,995.00
11. Mr. Fran Sciuillo	Oblock Boys' Asst. Coach	\$1,776.00
SOFTBALL		
12. Mr. Jim McGrath	PHS Girls' Head Coach	\$3,778.00
13. Mr. Phil DiLonardo	PHS Girls' Asst. Coach #1	\$2,454.00
14. Ms. Jen Cardinale	PHS Girls' Asst. Coach #2	\$2,454.00
15. Mr. Tim Clark	Oblock Head Coach	\$1,700.00

Mr. Tommarello made a motion to table this item; he did not receive a second.

Motion reverted back to original motion to hire coaches.

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*Motion by: St. Leger, Second by: Dowdell**Final Resolution: Motion Passes**Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, McGough, McMasters, St. Leger, White, Zucco**No: Tommarello**Absent: None*

Recommend approval to accept the following list of volunteer coaches for the 2011-12 school year:

Name	Volunteer Position
1. Mr. Russell Maxwell	PHS Assistant Track Coach
2. Mr. Marty DeGore	PHS Girls' Slow Pitch Softball Head Coach
3. Ms. Julia Patterson	Spring Softball Assistant JV Coach

*Motion by: St. Leger, Second by: Dowdell**Final Resolution: Motion Passes**Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, McGough, McMasters, St. Leger, Tommarello, White, Zucco**No: None**Absent: None*

Recommend approval to send a letter to the WPIAL, attention Mr. Tom O'Malley, stating our dissatisfaction with the schedule for 2012-13.

*Motion by: McMasters, Second by: Dowdell**Final Resolution: Motion Passes**Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, McGough, McMasters, St. Leger, Tommarello, White, Zucco**No: None**Absent: None*

The Athletic Committee did not meet this month. The Committee will meet on Wednesday, February 15, 2012 immediately following the Transportation Committee Meeting in the Board Room.

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 Wednesday, February 15, 2012 immediately following the Transportation Committee Meeting in the Board Room.

Intergovernmental Committee – Mr. John St. Leger, Chair

Recommend approval of a Letter of Understanding for collection of Local Services Tax (LST), pending receipt of L.O.U.

Letter was not received, motion was not read.

The Intergovernmental Committee met on January 10, 2012. Mr. St. Leger will make this report.

Forbes Road Career and Technology Center – Mr. John St. Leger, Representative

The Forbes Road Career and Technology Center Joint Committee met on January 26, 2012. Mr. St. Leger will make this report.

Eastern Area Schools – Mrs. Loretta White, Representative

The Eastern Area Schools Joint Committee met on January 26, 2012. Mrs. White will make this report. The next meeting is scheduled for February 23, 2012.

Legislative Policy Council – Mr. Sal Colella, Representative

Mr. Colella will make this report.

Allegheny Intermediate Unit #3 – Mr. Tom McGough, Board Member

Mr. McGough will make this report.

President's Report – Mr. Andrew Drake

Mr. Drake will make his report.

Superintendent's Report – Dr. Timothy Glasspool

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

Motion by: McMasters, Second by: Dowdell

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, McGough, McMasters, St. Leger, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

Solicitor's Report – Andrews & Price

Mr. Lee Price did not have a report this month.

Announcements

The Regular February Board Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 28, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the Oblock Junior High School Auditorium.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 8:23 PM.

Motion by: McMasters, Second by: Dowdell

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Drake, McGough, McMasters, St. Leger, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None