

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

**MINUTES
REGULAR VOTING MEETING**

**MAY 27, 2014
PLUM HIGH SCHOOL - AUDITORIUM
7:00PM**

The mission of the Plum Borough School District, in partnership with students, parents and the community, is to achieve excellence in education by preparing all students to take their place in the diverse and changing world of the 21st century. The District will provide a safe and stimulating environment that will promote and support critical thinking and life-long learning.

Plum Borough Board of School Directors held their Regular Voting Meeting on Tuesday, May 27, 2014 at 7:00PM in the Auditorium at Plum High School in Allegheny County at 900 Elicker Road Plum, PA 15239

Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Colella called the meeting to order at 7:06PM and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Mrs. Vento took roll.

Present: Colella, Dowdell, Gallagher, McGough via phone, St. Leger via phone, Stepnick, Tommarello, White, Zucco

Absent: None

Solicitor: Present, Mr. Lee Price

Executive Session

The Board met in Executive Session on May 6, May 22, and this evening, May 27 to discuss matters of personnel, negotiations, and real estate.

Approval of Minutes

Recommend approval of the following Meeting Minutes: April 29 Regular Board Meeting; May 6 Special Voting Meeting and Education Committee; and the May 13 Facilities and Finance Committees.

Motion by: Dowdell, Second by: Tommarello

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Gallagher, McGough, St. Leger, Stepnick, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

Student Features

2014 Bots IQ Regional Final Competition

Team Still N' Shock 2 – 1st Place for Combat and Grand Champions Trophy

Society of Women Engineers' Certificate of Merit

Heather Hordubay

Rylee Carter

Mikaela Zacher

Coach Nick Oto – Track Team

Ashley Amato - 100M Hurdles School Record Holder - 15.26, Fourth Place WPIAL championship 100M, and PIAA Qualifier 100M

Krista Pietropola – Sixth Place WPIAL Championship High Jump

Citizens' Comments on Agenda Items

1. Andrew Drake, Balkan Drive, spoke regarding the 2014-15 General Fund Budget.
2. Leeann Moore, Cataline Drive , spoke regarding keeping the JROTC Program.
3. Shella Oravitz, Valley Fields Drive, spoke regarding keeping the JROTC Program.

Citizens' Comments on Non-Agenda Items

None

Agenda

Facilities Committee - Mr. Rich Zucco, Chair

Recommend approval to accept the following Use of Facilities Applications:

ORGANIZATION	DATE OF USE	SCHOOL AND AREA
1. PHS Band Front	June 28, 2014	Sr. High – Bus Parking Lot, Gym #2, and Gym #1 Balcony
2. PHS Girls' Basketball Boosters	August 4 thru 7, 2014	Sr. High – Gym #1 and #2
3. Plum Baseball Softball Association	June 1 thru July 31, 2014 - Monday thru Saturday *Use based on availability	Sr. High – Baseball field

Motion by: Zucco, Second by: Dowdell

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Gallagher, McGough, St. Leger, Stepnick, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

Recommend approval to pay the following change orders, as presented:

Vendor	Number	Amount
1. Vern's Electric Inc.	E001	\$29,807.35
2. Hudson Construction, Inc.	G001	\$ 8,883.03
3. Hudson Construction, Inc.	G002	\$92,400.00

Motion by: Zucco, Second by: Dowdell

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Gallagher, McGough, St. Leger, Stepnick, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

Recommend approval to accept bids from the following vendors for Custodial Supplies:

Vendor	Amount
1. Central Poly Corporation	\$ 812.00
2. L.M. Colker Company, Inc.	\$ 96.00
3. Pitt Chemical & Sanitary Supply Co.	\$19,073.05
4. Ross Maintenance	\$ 587.40

Motion by: Zucco, Second by: Dowdell

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Gallagher, McGough, St. Leger, Stepnick, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

Recommend approval to accept the Tennis Court Resurfacing Agreement with Lutz Tennis and Asphalt Company at a cost of \$22,840.00.

Motion by: Zucco, Second by: Dowdell

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Gallagher, McGough, St. Leger, Stepnick, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

Recommend approval to accept the Plum High School Roof Restoration Agreement with Tuscano-Maher Inc. at a cost of \$297,500.

Motion by: Zucco, Second by: Dowdell

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Gallagher, McGough, St. Leger, Stepnick, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

Recommend approval to reject all bids for district Lawn and Sport Fields Maintenance.

Motion by: Zucco, Second by: Dowdell

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Gallagher, McGough, St. Leger, Stepnick, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

Recommend approval to advertise for paving and sealcoating at the Bus Garage.

Motion by: Zucco, Second by: Dowdell

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Gallagher, McGough, St. Leger, Stepnick, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

The Facilities Committee met on May 13, 2014. Mr. Zucco made this report. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 3, 2014 following the Education Committee Meeting in the Plum High School Board Room.

Personnel Committee - Mr. Kevin Dowdell, Chair

Recommend approval to accept the retirement of Sharon Borish, Bus Driver, effective May 30, 2014.

Motion by: Dowdell, Second by: White

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Gallagher, McGough, St. Leger, Stepnick, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

Recommend approval to hire James Shuster, Substitute Bus Driver, retroactive to May 1, 2014, at the contracted rate.

Motion by: Dowdell, Second by: White

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Gallagher, McGough, St. Leger, Stepnick, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

Recommend approval to hire Brenda Batley-Bianco, Bus Driver, retroactive to May 16, 2014, at the contracted rate.

Motion by: Dowdell, Second by: White

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Gallagher, McGough, St. Leger, Stepnick, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

Recommend approval to hire Mario Menezes, Bus Driver, retroactive to May 16, 2014, at the contracted rate.

Motion by: Dowdell, Second by: White

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Gallagher, McGough, St. Leger, Stepnick, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

Recommend approval to hire Randy Weber, Custodian, at the contracted rate, with an effective start date to be determined by the Superintendent.

Motion by: Dowdell, Second by: White

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Gallagher, McGough, St. Leger, Stepnick, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

Recommend approval to hire Daniel Cavanaugh, Part-time Custodian, at the contracted rate, with an effective start date to be determined by the Superintendent.

Motion by: Dowdell, Second by: White

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Gallagher, McGough, St. Leger, Stepnick, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

Recommend approval to hire Ryan Dzanj, Part-time Custodian, at the contracted rate, with an effective start date to be determined by the Superintendent.

Motion by: Dowdell, Second by: White

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Gallagher, McGough, St. Leger, Stepnick, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

Recommend approval for an unpaid medical leave for Sharon Borish, Bus Aide, retroactive to April 21, 2014.

Motion by: Dowdell, Second by: White

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Gallagher, McGough, St. Leger, Stepnick, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

Recommend approval of the following leave in accordance with the Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA):

1. Terri Ehalt, Reading Specialist at Pivik Elementary School, retroactive to April 18, 2014 through May 7, 2014.

Motion by: Dowdell, Second by: White

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Gallagher, McGough, St. Leger, Stepnick, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

Recommend approval to hire the following employees for the Summer Activities Program, beginning June 9 through June 26, 2014 Monday through Thursday:

SUMMER ACTIVITIES PROGRAM	NAME
1. Weight and Flexibility Training Instructor	Matt Beck
2. Volleyball Instructor	Megan Kehlert and Brianna Balcik
3. Boys' Basketball Instructor	Matt Dombroski
4. Girls' Basketball Instructor	Eric Gillis
5. Tennis Instructor	Rose Marie Stashko
6. Swimming Director	Kristine Szurley
7. Lifeguards / Swimming Instructors	Channing Nolan, Shane Ging, Brendan Sante, Lyndi Gaeris, Dan Szurley, Brianna Balcik and Steve Turchick
8. Speed and Agility Instructor	Matt Dombroski

Motion by: Dowdell, Second by: White

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Gallagher, McGough, St. Leger, Stepnick, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

Education Committee – Mrs. Michele Gallagher, Chair

Recommend approval to donate shuttle service for the Stampede in the Park Event on Saturday, July 19, 2014.

Motion by: Gallagher, Second by: Dowdell

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Gallagher, McGough, St. Leger, Stepnick, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

Recommend approval to revise the Plum High School Program of Studies, as presented.

Motion by: Gallagher, Second by: Dowdell

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Gallagher, McGough, St. Leger, Stepnick, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

Recommend approval to dispose, sell or donate used Grades 3-6 Math textbooks at the end of the 2013-14 school year, as attached.

Motion by: Gallagher, Second by: Dowdell

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Gallagher, McGough, St. Leger, Stepnick, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

The Education Committee met on May 6, 2014. Mrs. Gallagher made this report. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 3, 2014 at 6:00PM in the Plum High School Board Room.

Finance Committee – Mr. Tom McGough, Chair

Recommend approval of the Treasurer's Report and bill payments for April 2014, as presented.

Motion by: McGough, Second by: Dowdell

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Gallagher, McGough, St. Leger, Stepnick, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

Recommend approval to accept the Builders Risk Insurance Coverage Proposal for the new Holiday Park Elementary Project from A.J. Gallagher Risk Management Services in the amount of \$16,163.00, as presented.

Motion by: McGough, Second by: Dowdell

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Gallagher, McGough, St. Leger, Stepnick, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

Recommend approval to accept the Independent Auditor's Report and Management's Response for the year ended June 30, 2013, as prepared by Hosack, Specht, Muetzel & Wood LLP.

Motion by: McGough, Second by: Dowdell

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Gallagher, McGough, St. Leger, Stepnick, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

Recommend approval to award the following bids, as presented:

Vendor	Service
1. A. J. Gallagher (Gleason Division)	Insurance Brokerage Services
2. Miscellaneous Vendors	Athletic Bids
3. Miscellaneous Vendors	Transportation Bids

Motion by: McGough, Second by: Dowdell

Abstention: Colella, Reason: Potential Conflict of Interest

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Gallagher, McGough, St. Leger, Stepnick, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

Recommend retroactive approval for Mike Evans, Nicole Kociela, and Ryan Kociela to attend the Revitalize America Conference in Washington, DC. on May 19 and 20, 2014.

Motion by: McGough, Second by: Dowdell

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Gallagher, McGough, St. Leger, Stepnick, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

Recommend adoption of the 2014-2015 preliminary general fund budget (fund 10) with revenues and expenditures totaling \$58,109,391 with millage set at 19.3. This represents an increase to the Act 1 index of .54 mills with no budgetary reserve contribution. The annual increase on the median assessed property value is \$60 or \$5 per month.

Motion by: McGough, Second by: Dowdell

With a Roll Call Vote

Final Resolution: Motion Fails

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, St. Leger

No: Gallagher, McGough, Stepnick, Tommarello, White, Zucco

Absent: None

A second motion was made to adopt Option #3 of the 2014-15 preliminary general fund budget (fund 10) with revenues totaling \$57,363,100 and anticipated expenditures of \$58,109,391 with the difference of \$746,291 contributed from the District's budgetary reserve.

Motion by: white, Second by: Stepnick

With a Roll Call Vote

Final Resolution: Motion Fails

Yes: Gallagher, McGough, Stepnick, White,

No: Colella, Dowdell, St. Leger Tommarello, Zucco

Absent: None

The Finance Committee met on May 13, 2014. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 17, 2014, following the Policy Committee Meeting in the Plum High School Board Room.

Policy Committee – Mrs. Michelle Stepnick, Chair

The Policy Committee did not meet this month. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 17, 2014 at 6:00PM in the Plum High School Board Room.

Transportation Committee - Mr. Joe Tommarello, Chair

The Transportation Committee did not meet this month.

Athletic Committee - Mr. John St. Leger, Chair

Recommend approval to hire Eric Gillis, Senior High Girls' Head Basketball Coach, for the 2014-15 school year at the contracted rate.

Motion by: White, Second by: Dowdell

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Gallagher, McGough, St. Leger, Stepnick, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

Recommend approval to hire Kyle Simmons, Football Weight Room Coach #2, retroactive to the 2013-2014 school year at the contracted rate.

Motion by: White, Second by: Dowdell

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Gallagher, McGough, St. Leger, Stepnick, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

Recommend approval to hire the following Slow Pitch Softball Volunteer Coaches for the 2013-2014 season:

SLOW PITCH SOFTBALL	NAME
1. Volunteer Head Coach	Marty DeGore
2. Volunteer Assistant Coach	John McCabe
3. Volunteer Assistant Coach	Greg Bohatch
4. Volunteer Assistant Coach	Connie Robertson
5. Volunteer Assistant Coach	Michael Torma

Motion by: White, Second by: Dowdell

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Gallagher, McGough, St. Leger, Stepnick, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

The Athletic Committee did not meet this month. Mrs. White made a report.

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

The Food Service and Nutrition Committee did not meet this month.

Intergovernmental Committee - Mr. John St. Leger, Chair

The Intergovernmental Committee did not meet this month.

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

No report this month.

Eastern Area Schools - Mrs. Loretta White, Representative

Mrs. White made this report.

Legislative Policy Council - Mr. Joe Tommarello, Representative

Mrs. Stepnick made this report.

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

Mr. McGough made this report.

President's Report - Mr. Sal Colella

Mr. Colella made this report.

Superintendent's Report - Dr. Timothy S. Glasspool

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

Motion by: Tommarello, Second by: Dowdell

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Gallagher, McGough, St. Leger, Stepnick, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

Announcements

The School Picnic at Kennywood Park is Tuesday, June 10, 2014.

The regular June Board Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 26, 2014 at 7:00 PM in the Plum High School Auditorium.

Recess

Motion to recess at 8:39PM and reconvene tomorrow at 6:00PM.

Motion by: Colella, Second by: Dowdell

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, Gallagher, McGough, St. Leger, Stepnick, Tommarello, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: None

Reconvene

Mr. Sal Colella reconvened the meeting at 6:00PM and lead the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Mrs. Vento took roll.

Present: Colella, Dowdell, St. Leger, Stepnick via phone, White, Zucco

Absent: Gallagher, McGough, Tommarello

Solicitor: None

Finance Committee – Mr. Tom McGough, Chair

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Motion by: Zucco, Second by: St. Leger

With a Roll Call Vote

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, St. Leger, Zucco

No: Stepnick, White,

Absent: Gallagher, McGough, Tommarello,

Motion to Adjourn

Motion to adjourn at 6:35PM.

Motion by: Dowdell, Second by: Zucco

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Colella, Dowdell, St. Leger, Stepnick, White, Zucco

No: None

Absent: Gallagher, McGough, Tommarello

ATTEST TO:

Board Secretary