

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

**MINUTES
REORGANIZATION MEETING**

**December 3, 2013
Plum High School Board Room
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 Reorganization Meeting on
Tuesday, December 3, 2013 at 7:00PM in the Board Room at Plum Senior High School
in Allegheny County at 900 Elicker Road Plum, PA 15239**

Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Price called the meeting to order at 7:00PM
Mr. Price led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance

Mrs. Vento took roll.

Present: Colella, Dowdell, McGough, St. Leger, Stepnick, Tommarello, White, and Zucco via telephone

Absent: Gallagher

Present: Mr. Price, Solicitor

Citizens' Comments on Agenda Items

None

Citizens' Comments on Non-agenda Items

None

Election of Temporary Chairperson

Recommend the nomination of Loretta White as temporary chairperson.

Motion by: McGough

Motion to close nominations: McGough, Second: Dowdell

Final Resolution: Motion Passes to close nominations

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

No: None

Absent: Gallagher

Motion to approve Loretta White as temporary chairperson

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

No: None

Absent: Gallagher

Certificates of Election

Allegheny County Department of Elections' Certificates of Election, for the four newly elected Board Members: Colella, Dowdell, Gallagher, and Stepnick.

Oath of Office

District Justice Linda Zucco administered the Oath of Office to Salvatore Colella and Kevin Dowdell. Mayor Rich Hrivnak administered the Oath to Michelle M. Stepnick.

Election of President

Recommend the nomination of Sal Colella as President, Board of School Directors.

Motion by: Tommarello

Motion to close nominations: Dowdell, Second: Tommarello

Final Resolution: Motion Passes to close nominations

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

No: None

Absent: Gallagher

Motion to approve Sal Colella as President

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

No: None

Absent: Gallagher

Election of Vice-President

Recommend the nomination of Joe Tommarello as Vice President, Board of School Directors.

Motion by: Zucco

Motion to close nominations: Dowdell, Second: McGough

Final Resolution: Motion Passes to close nominations

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

No: None

Absent: Gallagher

Motion to approve Joe Tommarello as Vice President

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

No: None

Absent: Gallagher

Depository

Recommend S & T Bank be named as Depository for the Plum Borough School District subject to change at the discretion of the Board.

Motion by: Dowdell

Motion to close nominations: Tommarello, Second: St. Leger

Final Resolution: Motion Passes to close nominations

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

No: None

Absent: Gallagher

Motion to approve S & T Bank as Depository

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

No: None

Absent: Gallagher

Election of Solicitor

Recommend Andrews & Price be named as Solicitor for the Plum Borough School District for 2014.

Motion by: Dowdell

Motion to close nominations: Tommarello, Second: Dowdell

Final Resolution: Motion Passes to close nominations

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

No: None

Absent: Gallagher

Motion to approve Andrews & Price as Solicitor

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

No: None

Absent: Gallagher

PSBA Legislative Advocacy Program

Recommend Michelle Stepnick serve as PSBA Liaison and Voting Member of the regional cabinet.

Motion by: McGough

Recommend Joe Tommarello serve as PSBA Liaison and Voting Member of the regional cabinet.

Motion: Colella

Motion to close nominations: Tommarello, Second: Dowdell

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

No: None

Absent: Gallagher

With a roll call vote: Dowdell – Stepnick, McGough – Stepnick, St. Leger - Tommarello, Stepnick – Stepnick, Tommarello – Tommarello, White – Stepnick, Zucco – Tommarello, Colella - Tommarello

Resolution: Tie: Stepnick four votes; Tommarello four votes

With a second roll call vote: McGough – Stepnick, Stepnick – Stepnick, St. Leger – Tommarello, Tommarello – Tommarello, White – Stepnick, Zucco – Tommarello, Colella – Tommarello, Dowdell - Tommarello

Motion passes to approve Joe Tommarello as PSBA Liaison and Voting Member

Recommend Michelle Stepnick to serve as Alternate PSBA Liaison and Alternate Voting Member of the regional cabinet.

Motion by: McGough

Motion to close nominations: Tommarello, Second: McGough

Final Resolution: Motion Passes to close nominations

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

No: None

Absent: Gallagher

Motion to approve Michelle Stepnick as Alternate PSBA Liaison and Alternate Voting Member of the regional cabinet.

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

No: None

Absent: Gallagher

Local Newspaper of Record

Recommend the Tribune Review as local newspaper of record, and the Valley News Dispatch as alternate.

Motion by: Dowdell, Second: Tommarello

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

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

No: None

Absent: Gallagher

Meeting Dates

Recommend the regular Board meeting dates be set for the last Tuesday of each month, effective January 2014 through November 2014 unless otherwise noted.

Motion by: Dowdell, Second: Tommarello

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

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

No: None

Absent: Gallagher

Forbes Road Career and Technology Center Representative

Recommend John St. Leger be appointed as FRCTC Representative and Tom McGough as Alternate for the Plum Borough School District.

Motion by: Dowdell, Second: Tommarello

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

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

No: None

Absent: Gallagher

Eastern Area School Representative

Recommend Loretta White be appointed as the Eastern Area School Representative and Kevin Dowdell as Alternate for the Plum Borough School District.

Motion by: Tommarello, Second: Dowdell

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

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

No: None

Absent: Gallagher

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 7:17PM.

Motion by: Dowdell, Second: Tommarello

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

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

No: None

Absent: Gallagher