

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

**MINUTES
INTERVIEWS
SPECIAL VOTING MEETING**

**July 6, 2015
Plum High School – Board Room
6:00PM**

The Plum Borough School District's mission is to educate children in a **safe and engaging** learning environment while developing **creative problem-solvers, critical thinkers** and **globally competitive citizens**.

Plum Borough Board of School Directors held a Special Voting Meeting on Monday, July 6, 2015 at 6:00PM in the Auditorium at Plum Senior High School in Allegheny County at 900 Elicker Road Plum, PA 15239

Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Colella, President, called the meeting to order at 6:02PM.

Roll Call

Mrs. Vento took roll.

Present: Colella, Dowdell, Gallagher, McGough arrived at 6:12, St. Leger arrived prior to interview # 5 via the phone, Stepnick, White, Zucco

Absent: None

Solicitor: Mr. Lee Price

Citizens' Comments on Agenda Items

None

Agenda

Interview seven candidates for the School Board vacancy

Candidate order for interviews was randomly selected. The procedure was explained to the audience. Each candidate would have five minutes for an opening statement. Dr. Glasspool would ask each candidate the same three questions. School Board Members could follow up with their own questions, but they had to ask the same questions of each candidate.

- 1. Margie Evans via phone**
- 2. Victoria Roessler via phone**
- 3. Susan Caldwell**
- 4. Kirk Krotz**
- 5. Christopher Trombetta**
- 6. Steve Schlauch**
- 7. K. Paul Freese**

Agenda

Personnel Committee – Mr. Kevin Dowdell, Chair

The Chair will accept nominations for the Board vacancy for the unexpired term ending December 7, 2015 (nominations do **not** require a second).

Motion by: Colella for Sue Caldwell

Motion by: Stepnick for Kirk Krotz

Motion by: McGough for Margie Evans

Motion to close nominations: Zucco; Second: Dowdell

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

Final Resolution: Motion Passes to close nominations

1st Round of roll call votes: White – Krotz; Zucco – Caldwell; Colella – Caldwell; Dowdell – Caldwell; Gallagher – Krotz; McGough – Evans; St. Leger – Caldwell; Stepnick – Krotz

Motion fails as no candidate received five votes

Motion by: Colella for Sue Caldwell

Motion by: Stepnick for Kirk Krotz

Motion to close nominations: Dowdell; Second: White

Final Resolution: Motion Passes to close nominations

2nd Round of roll call votes: Zucco – Caldwell; Colella – Caldwell; Dowdell – Caldwell; Gallagher – Krotz; McGough – Krotz; St. Leger – Caldwell; Stepnick – Krotz; White – Krotz

Motion fails as no candidate received five votes

Motion by: Colella for Sue Caldwell

Motion by: Stepnick for Kirk Krotz

Motion to close nominations: Dowdell; Second: Colella

Final Resolution: Motion Passes to close nominations

3rd Round of roll call votes: Zucco – Caldwell; Colella – Caldwell; Dowdell – Caldwell; Gallagher – Krotz; McGough – Krotz; St. Leger – Caldwell; Stepnick – Krotz; White – Krotz

Motion fails as no candidate received five votes

At this point it was determined that the voting would not change.

If a vacancy is not filled within a thirty day period, the Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas, upon the Petition of ten or more resident taxpayers, is required to fill the vacancy. The Court has discretion to appoint anyone it chooses, provided they are a qualified elector of the school district.

Recommend approval to accept the resignation of Jason Cooper.

Motion by: Dowdell; Second by: White

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

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

No: None

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Glasspool read the attached report.

Citizens' Comments on Non-Agenda Items

J.R. Pilyih	Balkan Drive	Time Mr. St. Leger joined meeting
David Kearney	Mower Drive	New R.P. and in favor of a tax increase
David Weiss	Vale Drive	New R.P. and in favor of a tax increase
Mike Fischer	Allegheny Avenue	New R.P. and in favor of a tax increase
Jennifer Kearney	Mower Drive	New R. P.
Paul Freese	Center Road	Candidates Resumes
Ben Wolfson	Center Street	Referendum for Pivik or H.P.
Chris Trombetta	Settlers Court	Disappointed Vacancy Procedures
Nathan Peiffer	Conneaut Drive	New R.P.
Mike Fischer	Allegheny Avenue	Referendum
Tracey Simqu	Crestview Drive	New R. P.
David Kearney	Mower Drive	Same Studies to Make Decision
Diane Colella	Carrie Ann Drive	Resident made comments to her
Beth Girasia	Regency Drive	R.P. and Tax Increase one didn't cause the other
Kelly Irwin	Crestview Drive	Neighborhood not afraid of a tax increase
Tracy Riggins	Garlow Blvd.	New R. P.
Mike Fischer	Allegheny Blvd.	New R. P.
Dave Weiss	Vale Drive	New R. P.
Jennifer Kearney	Mower Drive	New R.P.
Leigh Anne Weiss	Vale Drive	New R. P.

Adjourn

Motion to adjourn at 8:48PM

Motion by: Dowdell; Second by: Zucco

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

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

No: None

ATTEST TO:

Board Secretary