



# PLYMOUTH PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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## MISSION STATEMENT

The Mission of Plymouth Public Schools is to challenge, inspire, and prepare all students for success in an ever-changing and complex world.

## PLYMOUTH BOARD OF EDUCATION

### SPECIAL BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

TERRYVILLE HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY  
33 NORTH HARWINTON AVENUE  
TERRYVILLE, CT 06786

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24, 2018

6:00 P.M.

### MINUTES

Present: Mrs. Kulesa, Mrs. Lucian, Mrs. Kremmel, Mr. Foote, Mr. Bourbonniere and Mr. Elsaghir  
Absent: Mrs. Johnson

Others Present: Dr. Semmel, Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Penn, Business Manager, Mrs. Parsons, Director of Curriculum & Instruction, Mrs. Trinks, Director of Pupil Personnel and Special Education, Mr. Trudeau, Director of Technology and Principals.

1. Call to Order

Mrs. Kulesa call the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

2. Adoption of the Agenda

MOTION: To adopt the agenda as presented. Motion Mrs. Lucian, seconded Mr. Bourbonniere, all in favor, motion passes.

3. Budget Workshop #1 for 2018 – 2019 Budget

An accounting report was made available to the public should there be any questions that arise during the presentation by principals and administrators. Below is a brief summary of the meeting.

Mr. Worhunsy and Mrs. Collins addressed items with respect to the elementary schools.

Mrs. Parsons presented highlights of curriculum that pertained to the elementary schools; and high school and middle school text; and at the high school: foreign language, high school English text, high school health resources, SAT & PSAT.

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Some of the items highlighted by Ms. Suffridge, Principal of Eli Terry Jr. Middle School were shortage of custodial staff in her building; increase number of days for ISS Monitor (no dollar increase because it's in the 17 – 18 Budget so there is no change going into the 18 - 19 Budget); increase in Innovative Technologies; I-Pads, Lego Kits; and Readers Workshop.

Mr. Hults, Principal of Terryville High School highlighted the following: Reinstate the Librarian, full time ISS Monitor and a Part-Time Custodian.

Mrs. Trinks, Director of Pupil Personnel & Special Education is seeking Special Education Teacher; Increase in Paraprofessionals, Occupational Therapist, Diagnostic Services and Nursing, i.e. medical and instructional supplies.

Mr. Trudeau, Director of Technology: Technology Budget has decreased in the amount of approximately \$7,000. This budget is driven by the District Technology Plan, i.e. hardware replacement cycles and computer for teachers in the classroom (5 year recycle), Technology Internet T1, savings of \$13,000, Staff development \$3,500 reduction, slight increases in software, i.e. yearly renewals, phase II of wireless replacement for both of the elementary school, and materials, i.e. projectors.

Mr. Penn, Business Manager touched upon the following: Facilities salaries; 4 agreements that need to be negotiated; magnet school tuition, transportation regular, health insurance, early retirement, no increase in pension, non-certified and legal fees.

MOTION: Motion to recess at 7:06 p.m. Motion Mr. Elsaghir, seconded Mr. Bourbonniere, all in favor, motion passes.

MOTION: Motion to reconvene at 7:10 p.m. Motion Mr. Elsaghir, seconded Mr. Bourbonniere, all in favor, motion passes.

4. Public Comment (3-minute limit per person)

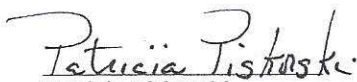
Melanie Church, 328 Main Street, Terryville

Mrs. Church spoke about the budget and encouraged the District to find additional savings.

5. Adjournment

MOTION: Motion to adjourn at 7:16 p.m. Motion Mr. Foote, seconded Mr. Elsaghir, all in favor, motion passes.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Patricia Piskorski  
Recording Secretary