

MINUTES

PLUMSTED TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING September 28, 2023 7:00 p.m. Anticipated Public Session NEW EGYPT HIGH SCHOOL

Vision Statement

“Unleashing Unlimited Opportunities . . . Empowering One Warrior At A Time!”

Mission Statement

The Plumsted Township School District shall inspire all students to realize their personal potential. A rich and challenging learning environment, in partnership with the community, will develop critical thinkers, lifelong learners and productive citizens in an emerging global society.

2022-2023 Board of Education Goals

1. *The Plumsted Township Board of Education will continue to maintain transparent communication through various media platforms to highlight news districtwide as well as inform the community of legally permissible topics/information at monthly Board of Education meetings.*
2. *The Plumsted Township Board of Education supports the implementation of targeted professional development to address ways to reduce the number of out of district placements for students with special needs, vertical articulation across grade levels to promote cohesion within the curriculum, and personalized learning opportunities that promote increased college and career readiness and student/teacher retention.*
3. *The Plumsted Township Board of Education supports the implementation of a district five-year strategic plan aimed at teacher retention and appreciation and providing a safe, supportive learning environment that promotes self-worth and encourages productive contributions in a constantly evolving global society. The Superintendent will develop strategic planning committees who will work cohesively with the Board of Education to provide regular comprehensive updates. Prior to the start of Year 5 initiatives and strategies a thorough review and evaluation of Year 4 outcomes will be conducted with the Board of Education and District Stakeholders.*

2022-2023 District Goals

1. *The Plumsted Township School District will create and begin the implementation of a New Teacher Academy to support and retain new teachers. These four year cohorts will be designed to offer targeted training and professional learning to foster growth and collaboration among new teachers with the guidance of master teachers and administration.*
2. *The Plumsted Township School District will establish three community committees and host three meetings over the course of the 2022-2023 school year to engage an array of stakeholders in collaborating on district initiatives:*
 - *Equity Committee*
 - *Curriculum Committee*
 - *Success, Recognition and Promotion Committee*
3. *The Plumsted Township School District will support staff and expand expertise in data analysis and implementation of differentiated instruction to facilitate student learning and mastery of New Jersey Learning Standards while increasing NJSLA results.*

Board of Education approval October 12, 2022

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mrs. Potter, Board President, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

II. OPEN PUBLIC MEETING ACT

In compliance with the Open Public Meeting Act, this is to announce that adequate notice of this meeting has been disseminated to the Asbury Park Press and The Trenton Times on Wednesday, September 20, 2023, thereafter posted upon the bulletin board in the main office of all four schools and the Board Secretary's office and a copy of such resolution was filed with the Plumsted Township Clerk. No advance written notice of this meeting was requested and paid for by any person according to the record of the Secretary of the Board. I direct the Secretary of the Board to enter into the minutes of this meeting this public announcement.

III. ROLL CALL

Mrs. Potter	Present
Mr. Burnett	Present
Dr. Giardina	Present
Mr. Goodman	Present
Mr. Meroney	Present
Mrs. Morgan	Present
Mrs. Raywood	Absent

ALSO PRESENT

Mr. Russo, Interim Superintendent
Mr. Gately, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

IV. FLAG SALUTE - Mrs. Potter led all in the salute to the flag.

V. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Dr. Giardina moved with a second by Mr. Burnett that V.A be approved:

A. Recommend that the Board approve the special meeting agenda for September 28, 2023.

Roll Call

Yes

Dr. Giardina, Mr. Burnett,
Mr. Goodman, Mr. Meroney,
Mrs. Morgan, Mrs. Potter

No

None

Absent

Mrs. Raywood

VI. DISTRICT HIGHLIGHTS

A. Board Meeting Dates:

The remaining Board of Education meetings will be held:

October 11, 2023

December 13, 2023

VII. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS - None

VIII. SUPERINTENDENT'S AGENDA

The following items are presented for approval as recommendations by the Superintendent of Schools:

A. Finance Motions

Dr. Giardina moved with a second by Mr. Burnett that VIII.A be approved:

- 1 Recommend that the Board of Education approve the application for Stabilization Aid in the amount of \$3,865,849 as follows:

- A. \$3,165,849 for structural budgetary imbalance due to the cumulative loss of \$6,789,757 since the implementation of S2 legislation.
- B. \$550,000 for sidewalk and parking lot repairs district-wide
- C. \$150,000 for replacement of grounds equipment

The District budget adopted May 10, 2023 tax levy cap of 2% prohibits the Board of Education from increasing revenue to provide adequate fund balance for future year budgets, and prohibits the allocation of funding for necessary capital outlay and equipment purchases to maintain facilities.

Roll Call

Yes

Dr. Giardina, Mr. Burnett,
Mr. Goodman, Mr. Meroney,
Mrs. Morgan, Mrs. Potter

No

None

Absent

Mrs. Raywood

IX. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY SCHOOL RELATED TOPIC - None

X. ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Giardina made a motion to adjourn at 7:04 p.m.
Seconded by Mr. Burnett, passed unanimously.

Sean Gately
Business Administrator/Board Secretary