

PLUMSTED TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
February 23, 2011
6:30 p.m. Executive Session
7:30 p.m. Anticipated Public Session
NEW EGYPT HIGH SCHOOL

I. CALL TO ORDER

Harry Miller, President, called the meeting to order at 6:32 PM.

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 given in the form of an Annual Notice contained in Resolution No. 2010-1 which Resolution was immediately thereafter posted upon the bulletin board in the main office of all four schools and the Board Secretary's office and disseminated within seven (7) days of passage to the Asbury Park Press, 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

Mr. Miller, President	Present
Mr. Hauge, Vice President	Present
Mr. Marinari	Absent
Mr. Midgett	Present
Mr. Probasco	Present
Mrs. Soles	Present
Mrs. Wig	Present
Dr. DeMareo, Superintendent	Present
Mr. Gately, Business Administrator/ Board Secretary	Present
Mr. Stein, Board Attorney	Present

Mrs. Wig moved that the board go into executive session at 636PM for the purpose of discussing personnel, contracts and litigation.
Seconded by Mr. Probasco, Passed unanimously.

IV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Request resolution for Executive Session at this point in the meeting of the PITownship Board of Education on February 23, 2011 for the purpose of discussing personnel, contracts and litigation;

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meeting Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-6, et seq.) permits bodies to discuss certain matters in closed sessions, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Open Public Meeting Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-6, et seq.), such a meeting may be held in private;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that:

1. The Board shall meet in closed session on these matters; and
2. The matters to be discussed in private may be shared with the public at such other time as the Board may determine that there is no longer any requirement for confidentiality.

Mr. Marinari arrived to the meeting at 6:40 PM.

Mr. Marinari made a motion to go out of executive session at 7:40 PM.
Seconded by Mr. Hauge, Passed unanimously.

V. ROLL CALL

Mr. Miller, President	Present
Mr. Hauge, Vice President	Present
Mr. Marinari	Present
Mr. Midgett	Present
Mr. Probasco	Present
Mrs. Soles	Present
Mrs. Wig	Present
Dr. DeMareo, Superintendent	Present
Mr. Gately, Business Administrator/ Board Secretary	Present
Mr. Stein, Board Attorney	Present

VI. FLAG SALUTE – Mr. Miller led all in the salute to the flag.

VII. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Marinari made a motion to approve the regular meeting agenda for February 23, 2011.
Seconded by Mr. Probasco

Roll Call

Yes

Mr. Marinari, Mr. Probasco,
Mr. Midgett, Mrs. Soles,
Mrs. Wig, Mr. Hauge,
Mr. Miller

No

None

VIII. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Probasco made a motion to approve the following:

- A. The minutes are presented for necessary correction and approval for the Regular meeting on January 26, 2011, as amended.
Seconded by Mrs. Wig

Roll Call

Yes

Mr. Probasco, Mrs. Wig,
Mrs. Marinari, Mr. Midgett,
Mrs. Soles, Mr. Hauge,
Mr. Miller

No

None

IX. DISTRICT HIGHLIGHTS

A. Board Meeting dates:

The remaining Board of Education meetings will be held:

Workshop meetings

March 16, 2011
April 13, 2011

Regular meetings

March 30, 2011 (Public Hearing on Budget)
May 4, 2011 (Reorganization meeting starts
at 7:30 p.m.)

IX. SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS

Dr. DeMareo commented on the following:

Last night the Board of Education held a public budget workshop meeting in the high school auditorium. The purpose of the meeting was to present the budget to the full board and allow for the public to present questions, concerns and rumors regarding the upcoming school budget. Mr. Gately did an outstanding job in going over budget assumptions. Late this afternoon we received word that the district received an increase in state aid of 1% of last year's operating budget which amounts to \$227,520. This information will be provided on our district website as well as the district's Facebook page.

Tonight we have a presentation on the Dorothy Mount Memorial Fund by Dennis Wilno. The presentation will focus on the role of the media centers district-wide, Dorothy Mount's legacy, the library committee, and how the Mount legacy will be applied. The presentation will be done on our new Smart Board.

The 2011-2012 school district calendar is on the agenda for Board approval. If the Board approves the calendar for next year, it will be posted on the district website and sent home via the students for distribution.

XI. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COMMENTS

Joseph LoRicco, student representative commented on the following:

High School

February 24 – 2nd Semester “Back to School Night”

February 26 – NEHS winter semi-formal at the primary school

March 1-3 – Students will be taking HSPA

March 4-6 – Production of “Grease” at the NEHS auditorium

Wrestling team competing in the Region 7 Wrestling Tournament this weekend

Congratulations to the Boys and Girls Basketball teams winning the Freedom Division Championship
Boys and Girls Basketball teams will be competing in the NJSIAA Central Jersey Group I playoffs

Middle School

Intramural sports programs continues through the month of February
Middle school voted to have Mrs. Caldes DJ during all the lunches for one day
Middle School Student Council raising money for Relay for Life 2011
Candy Grams for Valentine's Day
February dance featured two of our students, Stephen Hauck and Ryan Stryker as live music
Student Council events include a shoe drive for Helping Hands
March 18 – Middle school dance
Students of month are: 6th grade – Mackenzie Vandenbergart, 7th grade – Emily Davis, and
8th grade – Danelle Lewis

Elementary School

Month of February – school wide drive entitled “Kisses for Soldiers” where students have brought in
specific items, such as books and various toiletries to be donated and sent to our military personnel
March 7-11 – PTO Scholastic book Fair
March 11 – Read Across America
March 14 – Parent/Teacher Conferences
March 25 – “Hip-Hop Health” assembly presented by Mr. Wells
March 25 – PTO volleyball game between elementary and primary staff at 6:30 pm in the high school
gym.

XII. PRESENTATIONS/AWARDS

- A. Dorothy Mount Memorial Fund and the district media centers presented by Dennis Wilno, Educational
Media Specialist

Mr. Hauge asked if we will be able to maintain it electronically and set it up.

Mr. Wilno stated it needs to be maintained and they will be utilizing all resources they have.

Mr. Hauge asked if they came up with a plan in terms of sustaining the viability of program once it is
implemented.

Mr. Wilno stated they are nervous about staffing and whether they have enough people to do that. He
stated they can put students in there but they have to be with a teacher. He also suggested maybe get a
laptop on a cart and have the student possibly do it in one of the offices.

Mr. Wilno stated they can make it happen.

Mr. Hauge commented that the ES and PS libraries look fantastic.

XIII. CORRESPONDENCE - none

XIV. SUPERINTENDENT'S AGENDA

- A. Finance Motions

Mr. Hauge moved with a second by Mr. Marinari that the following be approved:

1. Recommend approval of all bills and claims for February 2011, which have been examined by the Finance Committee prior to this meeting and are presented for approval.
2. Recommend approval of all bills and claims for January 2011, which required hand written checks after the January 2011 bills and claims list was approved, which have been examined by the Finance committee and are presented for approval.
3. Recommend approval of all bills and claims for February 2011, which required hand written checks prior to the February 2011 bills and claims list being approved, which have been examined by the Finance Committee and are presented for approval.
4. Recommend ratification of the transferring of funds.
5. Recommend approval of the Board Secretary's Report for the period ending November 30, 2010 and the Treasurer of School Monies Report for the period ending November 30, 2010.
6. Recommend approval that Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23 – 2.12(c)3, the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, certifies that as of November 30, 2010, no budgetary line item account has obligations and payments (contracted orders) which in total exceed the amount appropriated by the District Board of Education pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:22-8, that the District financial accounts have been reconciled and are in balance.
7. Recommend approval that the Plumsted Township Board of Education, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.12(c)4 certifies that as of November 30, 2010, after review of the Secretary's monthly financial report (appropriations section) and upon consultation with the Business Administrator/Board Secretary and other appropriate district officials, that to the best of their knowledge no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.12(c)4 I-VI and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.
8. Recommend approval of the Board Secretary's Report for the period ending December 31, 2010 and the Treasurer of School Monies Report for the period ending December 31, 2010.
9. Recommend approval that Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23 – 2.12(c)3, the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, certifies that as of December 31, 2010, no budgetary line item account has obligations and payments (contracted orders) which in total exceed the amount appropriated by the District Board of Education pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:22-8, that the District financial accounts have been reconciled and are in balance.
10. Recommend approval that the Plumsted Township Board of Education, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.12(c)4 certifies that as of December 31, 2010, after review of the Secretary's monthly financial report (appropriations section) and upon consultation with the Business Administrator/Board Secretary and other appropriate district officials, that to the best of their knowledge no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.12(c)4 I-VI and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.
11. Recommend approval of a contract between the New Egypt Middle School and Music Theatre International in the amount of \$744.00, to be paid from the student activities account at no cost to the Board.
Discussion: Mr. Probasco thanked Mr. Gately and the Business Office on getting caught up compared to where they were before and appreciates all the hard work.

Mr. Hauge commented on the adjustment report and asked for a review.

Mr. Gately responded that they set up three grants on the system, one being the drug alliance for \$1,500.00, SADD grant in the amount of \$5,600.00 and the Ocean First Go Green in the amount of \$2,500.00 and stated these are grants recently awarded to the Board.

Roll Call

Yes

Mr. Hauge, Mr. Marinari,
Mr. Midgett, Mr. Probasco,
Mrs. Soles, Mrs. Wig,
Mr. Miller

No

None

Mr. Hauge moved with a second by Mr. Midgett that the following be approved, as amended:

12. Recommend approval of a contract with Mount Saint Joseph's Children's Center for one student to attend from January 14, 2011 through June 16, 2011 at a total cost of \$25,944.88, subject to attorney review.

Roll Call

Yes

Mr. Hauge, Mr. Midgett,
Mr. Marinari, Mr. Probasco,
Mrs. Soles, Mrs. Wig,
Mr. Miller

No

None

Mr. Marinari moved with a second by Mrs. Wig that the following be approved:

13. Recommend approval of a grant application for NJEA HIPP Foundation Grant, "Blue Skies" in the amount of \$5,000.00.
14. Recommend approval of a grant application for Teachers Insurance Plan of New Jersey Grant, "Quotes for Cash Grant Program" in the amount of \$1,000.00.
15. Recommend approval of a grant application for NJEA HIPP Foundation Grant, "Are We There Yet?" in the amount of \$5,000.00.
16. Recommend approval of an agreement between Project Stay Smart and New Egypt Middle School to hold an assembly on Drug and Alcohol Education/Prevention Program for the 6th, 7th and 8th grade students on Friday, March 11, 2011 at 8:30 a.m. at a total cost of \$1,000.00.
Discussion: Mrs. Soles thanked the staff members who are working so hard and helping out the district and students in earning these grants.

Roll Call

Yes

Mr. Marinari, Mrs. Wig,
Mr. Midgett, Mr. Probasco,
Mrs. Soles, Mr. Hauge,
Mr. Miller

No

None

Mr. Hauge moved with a second by Mr. Probasco that the following be approved, as amended:

17. Recommend approval of a contract between Classic Tours and New Egypt High School to provide transportation to and from the senior trip to Spirit Cruises-Lincoln Harbor Marina in Weehawken, NJ on June 7, 2011 in the amount of \$3,150.00, to be paid from the student activities account at no cost to the board, subject to attorney review.
18. Recommend approval of a contract between Children's Center of Monmouth County and Plumsted Township Board of Education to provide transitional services for one (1) student at a rate of \$75.00 per day for 30 days from March 1, 2011 through June 16, 2011 at a total cost of \$2,250.00, subject to attorney review.

Roll Call

Yes

Mr. Hauge, Mr. Probasco,
Mr. Marinari, Mr. Midgett,
Mrs. Soles, Mrs. Wig,
Mr. Miller

No

None

Mr. Marinari moved with a second by Mrs. Wig that the following be approved:

19. Recommend that the Board approve a contract in the amount of \$63,385.00 with TransNet Corporation, Somerville, NJ, under the State of New Jersey Participating Addendum for Contract # AR233 – Western States Contracting Alliance (WSCA) Cisco Networking Communications & Maintenance Master Agreement for security upgrades at New Egypt High School, Educational Facilities Construction and Financing Act Section 15 Grant, DOE Project # 4190-010-10-2002, Grant # G5-4450. The local share will be funded through the capital projects fund.
20. Recommend that the Board approve a contract in the amount of \$37,294.00 with TransNet Corporation, Somerville, NJ, under the State of New Jersey Participating Addendum for Contract # AR233 – Western States Contracting Alliance (WSCA) Cisco Networking Communications & Maintenance Master Agreement for security upgrades at New Egypt Middle School, Educational Facilities Construction and Financing Act Section 15 Grant, DOE Project # 4190-080-10-1005, Grant # G5-4453. The local share will be funded through the capital projects fund.
21. Recommend that the Board approve a contract in the amount of \$50,103.00 with TransNet Corporation, Somerville, NJ, under the State of New Jersey Participating Addendum for Contract # AR233 – Western States Contracting Alliance (WSCA) Cisco Networking Communications & Maintenance Master Agreement for security upgrades at New Egypt Elementary School, Educational Facilities Construction and Financing Act Section 15 Grant, DOE Project # 4190-050-10-1004, Grant # G5-4452. The local share will be funded through the capital projects fund.
22. Recommend that the Board approve a contract in the amount of \$40,259.00 with TransNet Corporation, Somerville, NJ, under the State of New Jersey Participating Addendum for Contract # AR233 – Western States Contracting Alliance (WSCA) Cisco Networking Communications & Maintenance Master Agreement for security upgrades at New Egypt Primary School, Educational Facilities Construction and Financing Act Section 15 Grant, DOE Project # 4190-040-10-1003, Grant # G5-4451. The local share will be funded through the capital projects fund.

23. Recommend that the Board approve an addendum to the contract, approved at the January 26, 2011 Board meeting motion A.13., with Aramark for Custodial/Grounds Operations and Maintenance Services in the amount of \$2,634.00 for additional equipment purchases.

Roll Call

Yes

Mr. Marinari, Mrs. Wig,
Mr. Midgett, Mr. Probasco,
Mrs. Soles, Mr. Hauge,
Mr. Miller

No

None

B. Personnel Motions

Mr. Marinari moved with a second by Mrs. Soles that the following be approved:

1. Recommend acceptance of the resignation of Rachele Bishop, paraprofessional and lunchroom/playground monitor at the Primary School, with regrets, effective February 11, 2011.
2. Recommend approval of the following high school spring athletic coaches and their stipends as per the PTEA/PTBOE Collective Bargaining Agreement for the spring 2011 season effective March 1, 2011:

Head Baseball Coach (\$6,400.00): Rich Carroll
Assistant Baseball Coach (\$4,500.00): Matt Brogan
Assistant Baseball Coach (\$3,900.00): Uriel Morfin
Head Softball Coach (\$6,400.00): Kevin English
Assistant Softball Coach (\$3,900.00): Tom Corby
Assistant Softball Coach (\$4,500.00): Diane DeBenedictis
Head Boys Lacrosse (\$6,400.00): Jay Corby
Assistant Boys Lacrosse Coach (\$4,500.00): Gabe Marquez
Head Girls Lacrosse Coach (\$6,400.00): Katie Nicholson
Assistant Girls Lacrosse Coach (\$4,500.00): Patti Nicholson
Assistant Girls Lacrosse Coach (\$3,900.00): Gabriel Haspel
Head Boys Track Coach (\$6,400.00): Sam Palumbo
Assistant Track Coach (\$4,500.00): Jason Frable
Head Girls Track Coach (\$6,400.00): Renee Palumbo
Assistant Track Coach (\$4,500.00): Kathy Chesmel
Head Coed Golf Coach (\$4,900.00): Glenn Knigge
Spring Weight Room Advisor (\$3,250.00): Tim Macaluso

3. Recommend approval of Karl Megules as a volunteer in the music room at the New Egypt Middle School for the remainder of the 2010-2011 school year.
4. Recommend approval of Kirby Watters to fill the leave of absence for Jennifer Gilbert, Kindergarten teacher from February 24, 2011 to April 11, 2011 at a salary of \$ 50,699.00 (MA Step 1) prorated, with no benefits pending successful completion of the application process established by the Superintendent of Schools and criminal history clearance is obtained through the State of New Jersey in accordance with law.
Discussion: Mr. Probasco commented that it is a great thing people are volunteering.

Roll Call

Yes

Mr. Marinari, Mrs. Soles,
Mr. Midgett, Mr. Probasco,
Mrs. Wig, Mr. Hauge,
Mr. Miller

No

None

Mrs. Soles moved with a second by Mrs. Wig that the following be approved:

5. Recommend approval of the following school volunteers for the remainder of the 2010-2011 school year pending successful criminal history clearance is obtained through the State of New Jersey according to Board Policy No. 9180.

Carla Buschhoff
Janet Hauge
Sue Homeny
Mary Ellen Mann
Kim Midgett
Monica Sempervive
Jen Witham

Roll Call

Yes

Mrs. Soles, Mrs. Wig,
Mr. Marinari, Mr. Probasco,
Mr. Miller

No

None

Abstain

Mr. Hauge, Mr. Midgett

Mr. Marinari moved with a second by Mr. Probasco that the following be approved:

6. Recommend approval of Elena Raab as a part-time Kindergarten paraprofessional at a salary of \$13,333.00 prorated effective February 24, 2011.
7. Recommend approval of Michelle Dorsett as a lunchroom monitor at the New Egypt Primary School effective February 24, 2011 at a rate of \$7.51 per hour for 1.5 hours per day Monday through Friday.
8. Recommend approval of William Bogardus as the scenic designer for the high school musical at a stipend of \$1,500.00 effective pending criminal history clearance is obtained through the State of New Jersey in accordance with law.
9. Recommend acceptance of the resignation of Barbara Brandle, half-time kindergarten paraprofessional at the New Egypt Primary School, with regrets, effective February 23, 2011.
10. Recommend approval of an NJFLA/FMLA leave of absence for Jennifer Conk, 3rd grade teacher from April 11, 2011 – June 30, 2011 utilizing 5 sick days.
11. Recommend approval of Jennifer DiMeglio, as half-time kindergarten paraprofessional at the New Egypt Primary School at a salary of \$13,333.00, prorated for the remainder of the 2010-2011 school year.

12. Recommend approval to extend the medical leave of absence for April Priest, high school English teacher through the end of the 2010-2011 school year.
13. Recommend approval of an employee contract with Nancy Musacchio, leave replacement high school English teacher for April Priest, through the remainder of the 2010-2011 school year at a salary of \$50,699.99 (MA Step 1), prorated with no benefits.
14. Recommend acceptance of the resignation of April Priest, with regrets, as Interact Club Advisor for the high school effective February 24, 2011.
15. Recommend approval of Karen Hammerschmidt as Interact Club Advisor for the high school at a stipend of \$1,600.00, prorated effective February 24, 2011 through the end of the 2010-2011 school year.
16. Recommend acceptance of the resignation of Robert Burkhardt, Dr. Gerald H. Woehr Elementary School Principal effective June 30, 2011.

Roll Call

Yes

Mr. Marinari, Mr. Probasco,
Mr. Midgett, Mrs. Soles,
Mrs. Wig, Mr. Hauge,
Mr. Miller

No

None

C. Policy

Mr. Probasco moved with a second by Mr. Marinari that the following be approved:

1. Recommend approval on first reading of Board Policy 3125, Employment of Teaching Staff Members.
2. Recommend approval on first reading of Board Policy 9180, School Volunteers.
3. Recommend approval of first reading of Board Policy 9181, Volunteer Athletic Coaches.

Roll Call

Yes

Mr. Probasco, Mr. Marinari,
Mr. Midgett, Mrs. Soles,
Mrs. Wig, Mr. Hauge,
Mr. Miller

No

None

D. Professional Development/Travel Reimbursements

Mrs. Soles moved with a second by Mrs. Wig that the following be approved:

1. Recommend approval of staff members to attend professional development workshops/conferences.

Roll Call

Yes

Mrs. Soles, Mrs. Wig,
Mr. Marinari, Mr. Midgett,
Mr. Probasco, Mr. Hauge,
Mr. Miller

No

None

E. Other Motions

Mr. Marinari moved with a second by Mr. Probasco that the following be approved:

1. Recommend approval of the New Egypt High School Drama Production of “Grease” to be held on March 4, 5 & 6, 2011.
2. Recommend approval of Sean Beckett, an Ocean County College student to do 30 hours of classroom observation for *Introduction to Teaching* course with Matthew Brogan, high school social studies as the cooperating teacher.
Discussion: Mr. Miller asked if agenda item E.1 was previously approved.
Mr. Gately responded that the contract was previously approved.
Mr. Hauge commented on getting the word out to the community about the school play.

Roll Call

Yes

Mr. Marinari, Mr. Probasco,
Mr. Midgett, Mrs. Soles,
Mrs. Wig, Mr. Hauge,
Mr. Miller

No

None

Mrs. Soles moved with a second by Mr. Probasco that the following be approved:

3. Recommend approval of Kelly Mason, an Ocean County College student to do 30 hours of classroom observation for *Introduction to Teaching* course with Cheryl Marinari, elementary school as the cooperating teacher.

Roll Call

Yes

Mrs. Soles, Mr. Probasco,
Mr. Midgett, Mrs. Wig,
Mr. Hauge, Mr. Miller

No

None

Abstain

Mr. Marinari

Mr. Marinari moved with a second by Mrs. Wig that the following be approved:

4. Recommend approval of Steven Migliaccio, an Ocean County College student to do 30 hours of classroom observation for *Introduction to Teaching* course with Tom Corby, high school social studies teacher as the cooperating teacher.
5. Recommend approval of the 2011-2012 school district calendar.
Discussion: Mrs. Soles asked if snow days would be added at the end of the school year just as this current year.
Dr. DeMareo responded “yes, that is correct”.
Mr. Miller asked if the calendar will be posted on the website after approval.

Dr. DeMareo responded that it will be posted tomorrow on the website and sent to the principals to distribute.

Roll Call

Yes

Mr. Marinari, Mrs. Wig,
Mr. Midgett, Mr. Probasco,
Mrs. Soles, Mr. Hauge,
Mr. Miller

No

None

F. Facilities

Mr. Midgett moved with a second by Mrs. Soles that the following be approved:

1. Recommend approval of the Plumsted Township Business Merchants Association to use the High School IMC for their monthly meetings on March 3, 2011 and April 7, 2011 from 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Yes

Mr. Midgett, Mrs. Soles,
Mr. Probasco, Mrs. Wig,
Mr. Hauge, Mr. Miller

No

None

Abstain

Mr. Marinari

Mr. Probasco moved with a second by Mr. Marinari that the following be approved:

2. Recommend approval of the American Red Cross to utilize the middle school cafeteria to hold a blood drive on Saturday, February 26, 2011 from 6:45 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
3. Recommend approval of the Building on the Rock Community Church to utilize the elementary school cafeteria for an Outreach crafts and story time activity on April 16, 2011 from 12:00 noon – 4:00 p.m.

Discussion: Mr. Miller asked if the Building on the Rock Community Church is a community resident. Dr. DeMareo responded that they are parents of the community.

Roll Call

Yes

Mr. Probasco, Mr. Marinari,
Mr. Midgett, Mrs. Soles,
Mrs. Wig, Mr. Hauge,
Mr. Miller

No

None

G. Field Trips

Mrs. Soles moved with a second by Mr. Marinari that the following be approved:

1. Recommend approval of the following field trips:
2. Recommend approval for five students, who were nominated by Ramona Curry and Kitty Donahue, Special Education Department, based on their disabilities and special needs to participate in a trip to Orlando, Florida, through “Dreamlift” a program sponsored by the Sunshine Foundation. The Sunshine Foundation sponsors a trip to Disney for eligible students. The five students will travel to the Magic Kingdom in Orlando, Florida. They leave Mercer Airport, Trenton at 8:00 a.m. on May 3, 2011, tour

the Magic Kingdom and are back in Trenton by 9:30 p.m. on the same day, Tuesday, May, 3, 2011. All expenses are paid for by the Sunshine Foundation.

Discussion: Mrs. Wig wished Ramona Curry and Kitty Donahue a fabulous trip and that she has been on this trip twice and it is one of the most rewarding things she has ever done.

Roll Call

Yes

Mrs. Soles, Mr. Marinari,
Mr. Midgett, Mr. Probasco,
Mrs. Wig, Mr. Hauge,
Mr. Miller

No

None

XV. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY SCHOOL RELATED TOPIC

Janet Hauge thanked Mr. Wilno for his great presentation on school libraries and appreciates the time he has given with his busy schedule this year and the respect he has given the Dorothy Mount Legacy. Janet Hauge commented on the staffing at the libraries and stated that it is very different this year than in the past years and that Dennis has been able to spend sufficient time in the high school and teach two classes. She stated none of the other libraries has full-time staffing and barely have part-time staffing. Janet Hauge commented on the fonts and double sided agendas.

Glen Jacobus asked if Mr. Burkhardt's position at the elementary school will be filled because last night it was made clear that we were never going to put one principal with two separate schools.

Mr. Miller stated he made the statement last night and it has been discussed but at the moment there is no intention of doing any reductions. He stated we just got the word this afternoon about the money so they are going into a planning stage on what to do with the money. He stated they will be looking at everything short term as well as long term regarding needs for the district.

Glen Jacobus asked if they are looking to fill the position.

Mr. Miller stated that at this point in time, it is currently an open position.

Glen Jacobus stated that it has been a couple of years and we still do not have hot water for the nurse in the middle school. He asked when it would be addressed.

Mr. Miller stated he has not heard about that and asked Mr. Gately to have facilities check it out.

Mr. Gately responded that they will check into that.

Glen Jacobus commented on the position of the vice principal who worked 6 months at the middle school and the \$37,000.00 coming back to the district. He commented the difference between what he worked and what he would get paid that the difference would be coming back. He asked if that was how Mr. Gately figured out the \$37,000.00.

Mr. Gately responded it was 7 months and that is how he figured the \$37,000.00.

Glen Jacobus commented on the grounds position and asked if that was the same.

Mr. Gately responded it was not the same. He stated they incorporated two coordinators positions and also hired an hourly maintenance worker, so that was used in the calculations as well.

Glen Jacobus asked if benefits were figured in.

Mr. Gately responded that there is a line in there for benefits.

Glen Jacobus commented that his dollar amount comes out different from Mr. Gately's.

Mr. Gately responded that he will take a look at it.

Mr. Hauge asked if we could verify if there is hot water for the middle school nurse.

Toni Ferry, Primary School Principal and PTAA President, wished Mr. Burkhardt a wonderful retirement. She stated it has been an honor and pleasure to work with him and he will be missed.

XVI. NEW BUSINESS - none

XVII. OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Probasco asked for the status on the Google Apps.

Dr. DeMareo stated the administrators and Tom Mille met today to go through and take a look at exactly what it is they want to put into place and that the concern they have presently, is the fact we cannot put anything in place with our current internet service because it is too slow and it will currently be changing by mid-April.

Mr. Probasco asked why we are waiting until April.

Mr. Gately responded that it is because of Comcast scheduling. He stated we signed the contract with Comcast in December and explained the work that is required by their engineering side is really the delay. He stated they accelerated the approval of the service so that as soon as they turned us on to the new service we would be paying. He stated everything has been agreed to.

Mr. Probasco there is a big planning spreadsheet and he would like to see them set-up the plan.

Mr. Miller asked if there was an estimate from Comcast on how long it is going to take once they get out here to do this.

Mr. Gately responded that the estimated time is the end of April.

Mr. Gately explained to the Board that when he spoke with the sales rep from Comcast he was a little taken back by the fact that it took so long for that process and that the contracts were reviewed and signed right after the board meeting. He stated that one of the issues that delayed Comcast was that they had 17 Evergreen Road on original contract and that he crossed it out and put 117 and then had to send the contract back. He stated that red lining a contract and sending it back wasn't sufficient for Comcast to start the process.

XVIII. BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMENTS

Mrs. Soles commented on walking into last night's budget presentation and hearing the increase of our 1%, it was a very big relief and very different environment in the room as oppose to last year. She asked for patience in giving the board the opportunity to get staff and community input on what they are going to do with the increase funding. She stated that the decisions that will be made within the next few weeks will not only be for the upcoming school year, but years after and we got to continue to build on that.

Mrs. Soles wished Mr. Burkhardt best of luck in his future endeavors and thanked him for his service.

Mrs. Soles commented on winter and spring sports.

Mrs. Soles wished safe travels to Ms. Curry and Ms. Donahue with their students to Florida.

and we Mr. Probasco commented on the budget meeting and the expectations and 1% is still not a lot still need to watch our expenses.

not just Mr. Probasco stated he would like to put things back. He also stated that they will be looking at this year but also for the well being of the following year.

Mr. Probasco thanked Mr. Burkhardt for his service in the district.

applying for grants. Mr. Midgett thanked Mr. Burkhardt for his years of service and thanked the teachers for

with the rest of the members, administration, teachers and public on how we are going to proceed with our budget and how we are going to spend the money.

Mrs. Wig wished Mr. Burkhardt good luck and thanked him for his service.

Mrs. Wig stated when Mr. Miller gave his update on the superintendent search she was very encouraged and stated that 39 applications is quite a decent amount.

Mr. Hauge thanked Mr. Burkhardt for this service and congratulated him.

Mr. Hauge thanked Dennis Wilno for his presentation and his enthusiasm for the libraries in the school district.

Mr. Hauge commented on the budget and the fact that we have to be responsible as we plan and go forward and that we just can't go and add this and that. He stated it is going to take some long meetings.

Mr. Hauge stated that he looks forward to the input and interaction from the staff, administration and public.

Mr. Marinari wished Mr. Burkhardt the best in the future and commented that he has always be very generous and professional.

Mr. Marinari stated that there is a lot of noise out there about teachers. He stated that we have some really great teachers to be proud of in this district.

Mr. Miller commented on the great staff we have and wished Mr. Burkhardt the best in his future endeavors.

Mr. Miller thanked Dennis Wilno for his presentation.

Mr. Miller thanked everyone for coming out tonight.

Mr. Miller stated the finance committee, the community and full board will need to plan on how we approach this and do what is best for the district short term and long term.

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Mr. Marinari moved that the Board go into executive session at 9:30 PM for the purpose of discussing personnel, litigation and contracts..

Seconded by Mrs. Soles, Passed unanimously.

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XIX. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Request resolution for Executive Session at this point in the meeting of the Plumsted Township Board of Education on February 23, 2011 for the purpose of discussing personnel, litigation and contracts;

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meeting Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-6, et seq.) permits bodies to discuss certain matters in closed sessions, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Open Public Meeting Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-6, et seq.), such a meeting may be held in private;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that:

1. The Board shall meet in closed session on these matters; and
2. The matters to be discussed in private may be shared with the public at such other time as the Board may determine that there is no longer any requirement for confidentiality.

Mr. Marinari made a motion to go out of executive session at 10:20 PM.

Seconded by Mr. Midgett, Passed unanimously.

Mr. Marinari made a motion to adjourn at 10:21 PM.

Seconded by Mr. Midgett, Passed unanimously.

Sean Gately
Business Administrator/Board Secretary