

PLUMSTED TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SPECIAL MEETING  
May 18, 2010  
7:30 p.m.  
NEW EGYPT HIGH SCHOOL

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Miller, President, called the meeting to order at 7:39 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. Buckalew	Present
Mr. Marinari	Present
Mr. Midgett	Present
Mr. Probasco	Present
Mrs. Soles	Present
Dr. DeMareo, Superintendent	Present
Mr. Gripp, Business Administrator/ Board Secretary	Present
Mr. Stein, Board Attorney	Present

IV. FLAG SALUTE

Mayor Dancer stated this is the fifth and final public hearing on the 2010-2011 school budget and gave a brief overview.

Mayor Dancer thanked the Board for their cooperation.

Mayor Dancer gave an update on where they are now in the process.

Mr. Miller commented on the working relationship with the Township and coming up with solutions.

Mr. Miller commented on the Impact Aid funding and the allocations.

Dr. DeMareo gave an update on the Kindergarten Complement Program.

Mr. Gripp gave a brief update on Subscription Bussing.

#### V. PUBLIC COMMENT

Community member stated she has twins in the Pre-k and gets a discount for the second child. She asked if this will be considered for the Kindergarten Complement Program.

Dr. DeMareo stated it will determine on the number of students and won't know until they receive the completed surveys.

Bob Kudrick commented on other aid stated on the state web site and why it wasn't on last year's budget.

Mr. Gripp explained this is the reimbursement for pension, DPAF and PERS from the State of New Jersey and not part of the budget.

Mr. Miller stated they put together the budget and a list in order of priority of reductions as they went along.

Mayor Dancer stated the students on free or reduce lunch program will not have a fee for kindergarten and bussing.

Mr. Gripp explained the students on free lunch program will not have a fee and the students with a reduce lunch will have a reduce rate.

Rich Brevogel commented on shared services and that there is a lot of opportunity out there and should start working on that now.

Rich Brevogel stated it is the right move on the kindergarten program.

Rich Brevogel stated the core business of our school system is to education our children and not to provide extra-curricular activities, sporting opportunities or afterschool activities. It is to educate our children.

Mayor Dancer stated we do have the shared service agreement with the salt spreading between the Township and the school and has worked out very well. He stated we will continue to examine all possible avenues for enhanced and expanded shared services between the school and the Township.

Glen Jacobus stated he is dishearten not to see Dave Leutwyler not present tonight and hopes someone seeks his input.

Glen Jacobus commented on full day kindergarten on ballot.

Mayor Dancer stated Resolution 2003-169 was a result in April 2003 when the proposed school levy was rejected. That is the timing that the primary school was under construction. The community voted on construction for the primary school and no reference to full day or half day kindergarten.

Glen Jacobus commented on bussing and have more than one child.

Mr. Hauge stated there will be a maximum per student and maximum per family charge.

Glen Jacobus commented on conversations being recorded.

Mr. Stein stated some do and some do not.

Mr. Stein stated public meetings are recorded and anyone can have access to those records. He also stated there is no cost to listen to the tape but there is a cost to obtain a copy of the tape.

Kathy Chesmel asked what the \$72,000 was earmarked for that is back in the budget.

Mr. Gripp stated the general scope was for lighting and electrical upgrades in the auditorium.

Luisa Erich-Carr stated she has yet to see what the bottom line of the budget is because what is posted is not adding up.

Mr. Gripp stated the user friendly budget is on the website and the bottom line figure is there. He stated the overall bottom line budget inclusive of general fund, state aid as well as federal aid and debt service is \$24,959,582.00 and stated the number she is referring to is the total operating budget of the general fund which is 21,982,063.

Robert Latham commented on bussing and hazardous routes.

Mr. Gripp stated that subscription bussing is inclusive of hazardous bussing within our current guidelines.

Debbie DeLisi asked who will be overseeing this problem since we do not have a Transportation Coordinator.

Mr. Gripp stated the Business Office as well as himself will be overseeing the program.

Mr. Gripp stated they will be looking into working with Northern Burlington County High School for the establishment of the routes.

Mr. Marinari thanked the Township Committee for working with the district.

Mr. Probasco commented on the remaining \$200,000.

Mrs. Soles stated this budget has been defeated twice and the Board has worked countless hours. She also stated this is what we have and we need to move forward not just for today but for the tomorrow's.

Mr. Sorchik thanked everyone for coming out and they haven't made up their minds.

The Township and Board of Education took a recess at 9:03 PM.

VI. SUPERINTENDENT'S AGENDA

A. Finance Motions

Mr. Marinari made a motion to approve the following:

1. Recommend approval of Resolution #2010-7, Approve/Certify the Amount to be Raised by Taxation for the Plumsted Township School District for the 2010-2011 School Year Budget (Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A) Which Consists of a Reduction to the Original Total Tax Levy in the Amount of \$288,000.

Seconded by Mr. Buckalew

Roll Call

Yes

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

No

None

Mr. Midgett thanked everyone on their hard work and time on this process.  
Mr. Miller thanked everyone for the hours and time they put into the process.

Mrs. Soles made a motion to adjourn at 9:50 PM.  
Seconded by Mr. Buckalew, Passed unanimously.

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Dr. Mark DeMareo  
Superintendent of Schools