

PLUMSTED TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
October 10, 2012
6:30 p.m. Executive Session
7:30 p.m. Anticipated Public Session
NEW EGYPT HIGH SCHOOL

MISSION STATEMENT

The educational programs of the New Egypt Schools shall foster high expectations, in academics and behavior, giving attention to all students' individual needs. We are resolved to ensure all students achieve the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards at all grade levels, children will be provided a variety of activities and experiences that allow them to mature into lifelong learners, who are critical thinkers, and who cooperate with others as they grow and learn in our democratic society.

District Goals

Student Achievement

To provide ongoing support to the instructional program, with a focus on student learning outcomes, by working closely with the administration, faculty staff and community to increase and improve student achievement

Curriculum and Instruction

To continue to conduct a comprehensive review of curriculum and instruction throughout the district k-12 and begin to implement curriculum changes based on schedule from New Jersey Department of Education and the Common Core Standards

Technology

To increase the use of technology as a classroom instructional tool and expand opportunities for students to engage in 21st century learning activities

District Communications, Operations and Public Relations

To improve communications with stakeholders (staff, students, Board, parents and community members

Board Goals

New Jersey Sustainable Schools Project Grant

Mission Statement: To foster a connected green community in which students develop into-life-long environmental stewards

Demographics

To continue to monitor demographic and enrollment information to determine the impact on class size and facility usage

Alumni Association

Develop a student Alumni Association that connects graduates with the New Egypt School community and allows the district to track their success

Board of Education approval 08.22.2012

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Miller, President, called the meeting to order at 6:32 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 given in the form of an Annual Notice contained in revised Resolution No. 2011-1 and revised in Resolution No. 2011-17, which Resolution were 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 The Trenton Times, 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	Absent
Mr. Midgett	Present
Mr. Probasco	Absent
Mrs. Septor	Present
Mrs. Soles	Present
Mrs. Wig	Present

ALSO PRESENT

Dr. Jones, Superintendent
Mr. Gately, Business Administrator/
Board Secretary
Mr. Stein, Board Attorney

Mr. Midgett moved that the Board go into executive session at 6:33 p.m. for the purpose of discussing student matters, personnel, vendor contracts/food service and PTEA negotiations. Seconded by Mrs. Wig, Passed unanimously.

IV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

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. Midgett made a motion to go out of executive session at 7:45 p.m.
Seconded by Mrs. Soles, Passed unanimously.

V. ROLL CALL

Mr. Miller, President	Present
Mr. Hauge, Vice President	Absent
Mr. Midgett	Present
Mr. Probasco	Absent
Mrs. Septor	Present
Mrs. Soles	Present
Mrs. Wig	Present

ALSO PRESENT

Dr. Jones, Superintendent
Mr. Gately, Business Administrator/
Board Secretary
Mr. Stein, Board Attorney

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

VII. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Midgett moved with a second by Mrs. Septor that VII.A be approved:

A. Recommend that the board approve the regular meeting agenda for October 10, 2012.

Roll Call

Yes	Mr. Midgett, Mrs. Septor, Mrs. Soles, Mrs. Wig, Mr. Miller
No	None
Absent	Mr. Hauge, Mr. Probasco

VIII. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mrs. Soles moved with a second by Mrs. Septor that VIII.A be approved:

A. The minutes are presented for necessary correction and approval for the Regular meeting on September 12, 2012.

Roll Call

Yes

No

Absent

Abstain

Mrs. Soles, Mrs. Septor,

Mrs. Wig, Mr. Miller

None

Mr. Hauge, Mr. Probasco

Mr. Midgett

IX. DISTRICT HIGHLIGHTS

A. Board Meeting dates:

The remaining Board of Education meetings will be held:

October 24, 2012

November 14, 2012

November 28, 2012

December 12, 2012

January 2, 2013 (Reorganization meeting)

B. Student Enrollment

Primary	PreK3			PreK4			K - AM			Grade 1			Total			Difference
	9/19	10/4	+/-	9/19	10/4	+/-	9/19	10/4	+/-	9/19	10/4	+/-	9/19	10/4	+/-	
	4	4	0	9	9	0	95	96	+1	90	89	-1	198	198	0	
Out of District							1						1	1	0	
Elementary	Grade 2			Grade 3			Grade 4			Grade 5						
	9/19	10/4	+/-	9/19	10/4	+/-	9/19	10/4	+/-	9/19	10/4	+/-				
	92	92	0	104	104	0	125	126	+1	127	127	0	448	449	+1	
Out of District	1						1			1			3	3	0	
Middle	Grade 6			Grade 7			Grade 8									
	9/19	10/4	+/-	9/19	10/4	+/-	9/19	10/4	+/-							
	141	142	+1	144	145	+1	154	155	+1				439	442	+3	
Out of District	3			1			1						5	5	0	
High	Grade 9			Grade 10			Grade 11			Grade 12			Grade 12+			
	9/19	10/4	+/-	9/19	10/4	+/-	9/19	10/4	+/-	9/19	10/4	+/-	9/19	10/4	+/-	
	136	136	0	118	118	0	145	143	-1	143	143	0	3	3	0	
Out of District	2						2			2						
Total Enrollment													1631	1633	+2	
Out of District Students													15	15	0	

X. SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS

Dr. Jones commented on the following:

- HIB Report

District

- October 8 in-service very successful. Thank you to Dr. Baubles, Mrs. Gravel and Mr. Donnelly for planning and presenting as well as all the administrators who facilitated various staff sessions. It was a great day for everyone with a great deal accomplished.

Upcoming events during the month of October:

- During our “Week of Respect” October 1st – October 5th, each grade level team worked on team projects promoting respect for one another and celebrating their differences.
- The Week of respect was celebrated October 1 - October 5. This was kicked off with a school wide respect circle, at which time every student made a promise of respect. Each student was issued a laminated card with this promise printed on it.
- October 15th – 19th – NJ Safe Schools Week – During this week students will work toward ways to improve tolerance, climate, and discipline. Our guidance counselors, Mrs. Kubilewicz and Mrs. Belfiore, will continue to visit each classroom to teach lessons on bullying and harassment. Each lesson defines bullying and harassment as well as the different types of each. Specific skills will be introduced to help students avoid victimization. Another component of the program will include empowering bystanders. The goal of the program is to foster thoughtful dialogue among students about difficult social decisions.
- October 22nd – 26th – Red Ribbon Week – In celebration of Red Ribbon Week, NEMS will be participating in an array of activities showing personal commitment to a drug-free lifestyle.

Primary School

- K and 1st Grade teachers each spent one day on curriculum articulation this week

Elementary School

- October 10th kicks off our Related Arts Open House. Parents are invited to share in their child’s related arts class to get a glimpse of some of the great work going on in these “specials” classes. The Open House will run from October 10 – October 17. Grade level schedules can be found on the school's web page.
- I am pleased to announce that Mrs. Williams was the recipient of a \$5000 grant from the Grainger Foundation to continue her amazing work with the Blue Skies Project. She also received a second grant for the NJEA HIPP Foundation for \$10,000 for the project! This money will allow her to create a Blue Skies Academy, which would include 5th grade ambassadors from the school who will travel with Mrs. Williams, Mr. Mogol and Mr. Beere to spread the Blue Skies Project message of hope and sunshine.
- Dr. Jacobs won a \$15,000 grant from Ocean First Bank in their Model Classroom Grant Program. He will use the money to create a state of the art, technologically advanced classroom for use by his Spanish classes, enrichment classes and for whole class enrichment throughout the year. Congratulations to both teachers on such great work!

Middle School

- The Student Eco-Action Team met for the first time today, to kick off our new program! Mr. Charles Beam, the Environmental Coordinator at McGuire Air Force Base, presented the

middle school with a beautiful banner to recognize our Sustainable School efforts. We held a small reception to accept the banner, and thank him for his support of our program. He also graciously donated eight picturesque recycling containers, which our team will be maintaining throughout the year. Our Student Eco-Action Team has created committees that are charged with various Sustainable activities, focusing on our district mission 'to foster a connected green community in which students develop into life-long environmental stewards'.

High School

- Green Initiative going strong in our A/A "TEAMS" curriculum
- HSPA make-ups 1st week of October
- October 17th: Senior College Planning Night

Athletics

- Congratulations to the Cross Country team on capturing the 2012 BCSL Freedom Division Championship.
- The tennis team plays Highland Park in the first round of the NJSIAA state tournament on Tuesday, October 9th.
- The field hockey team is playing as we speak Wednesday, October 10th at 6:30.

XI. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COMMENTS

XII. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

XIII. PRESENTATIONS/AWARDS

- A. Electronic Violence, Vandalism and Substance Abuse Reporting System (EVVRS) presented by Rich Carroll
- B. District Test Results presented by Jeanette Baubles, Michael Donnelly and Colleen Gravel

XIV. CORRESPONDENCE

XV. SUPERINTENDENT'S AGENDA

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

A. Finance Motions

Mr. Midgett moved with a second by Mrs. Septor that A.1 – A.7 be approved:

1. Recommend approval of all bills and claims for October 10, 2012, which have been examined by members of the Finance Committee prior to this meeting and are presented for approval.
2. Recommend approval of all bills and claims for October 10, 2012, which required hand written checks after the September 26, 2012 bills and claims list was approved, which have been examined by members of the Finance Committee and are presented for approval.

3. Recommend approval of a contract between the Mercer County Special Services School District and the Plumsted Township Board of Education for one student to attend the 2012-2013 school year at a cost of as follows:

Tuition:	\$53,326.00
1:1 aide:	\$35,490.00
Out-of-County fee:	\$4,095.00

4. Recommend acceptance of the New Jersey Department “Race to the Top Phase 3” grant in the amount of \$10,602.00.
5. Recommend acceptance of the Captain Planet Foundation grant in the amount of \$500.00.
6. Recommend acceptance of the Ocean First Foundation “Model Classroom” grant in the amount of \$15,000.00.
7. Recommend approval of an amendment of the carryover for the No Child Left Behind (NCLB) grant for the 2011-2012 application year, as follows:

Title IA	\$10,875.00
Title IID	\$ 242.00

Discussion: Mr. Midgett thanked Scott Jacobs for the Model Classroom grant that was received.

Roll Call

Yes	Mr. Midgett, Mrs. Septor, Mrs. Soles, Mrs. Wig, Mr. Miller
No	None
Absent	Mr. Hauge, Mr. Probasco

Mrs. Soles moved with a second by Mrs. Wig that A.8 be approved:

8. Recommend renewal of a contract with Aramark, Inc. to provide food service management services to the district with a guarantee profit of \$11,896 and an administrative fee of \$0.0523 per meal or meal equivalent and a management fee of \$0.0367 per meal or meal equivalent.

Discussion: Mr. Gately stated that we approve this motion on August 22 and the meal equivalent prices were incorrect.

Roll Call

Yes	Mrs. Soles, Mrs. Wig, Mr. Midgett, Mrs. Septor, Mr. Miller
No	None
Absent	Mr. Hauge, Mr. Probasco

B. Personnel Motions

Mrs. Septor moved with a second by Mrs. Wig that B.1 – B.13 be approved:

1. Recommend approval of the following substitute teacher/paraprofessionals at the rate of \$80.00/\$60.00 respectively for the remainder of the 2012-2013 school year pending the 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 the law.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Substitute Positions</u>	<u>Hourly Rate</u>
Shannon Robertson	Teacher/Paraprofessional	\$80.00/\$60.00 per day
Gregory Gillman	Teacher/Paraprofessional	\$80.00/\$60.00 per day

2. Recommend approval of Brendan McCarthy as a high school volunteer football coach at no cost to the Board.
3. Recommend approval of the following medical leave of absence extension for Edward Earley, permanent substitute:

<u>LEAVE</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>THROUGH</u>
Medical Leave With Pay	10/4/2012	10/25/2012

4. Recommend revision of a maternity leave of absence for Katina George, high school guidance counselor:

<u>LEAVE</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>THROUGH</u>
Maternity Leave With Pay (21 sick days)	12/3/2012	1/9/2013
NJFLA Without pay, with benefits	1/10/2013	4/12/2013

5. Recommend approval of the revision and ratification of the following paraprofessional staff and their salaries for the 2012-2013 school year:

<u>Staff member</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Ellen Taylor	Paraprofessional	\$17,175.00

6. Recommend approval to eliminate the position of school social worker in the Plumsted Township School District, effective October 8, 2012.
7. Recommend approval to add one (1) school psychologist position in the Plumsted Township School District, effective October 8, 2012.

8. Recommend approval of Petria Funes as a school psychologist for the remainder of the 2012-2013 at a salary equal to MA Step 1 (\$52,442.00), prorated, pending the successful completion of the application process established by the Superintendent of Schools and criminal history clearance is obtained through the State of NJ in accordance with the law.
9. Recommend approval of Jessica Zipko as a paraprofessional for the remainder of the 2012-2013 school year at a salary of \$13,333.00, prorated, pending the successful completion of the application process established by the Superintendent of Schools and criminal history clearance is obtained through the State of NJ in accordance with the law.
10. Recommend approval of Linda Marrazzo as a lunchroom/playground monitor at the Dr. Gerald H. Woehr Elementary School for the remainder of the 2012-2013 school year at a rate of \$7.25 per hour effective October 11, 2012, pending the successful completion of the application process established by the Superintendent of Schools and criminal history clearance is obtained through the State of NJ in accordance with the law.
11. Recommend approval of the following staff members to do extracurricular opportunities:

Dance Chaperones (\$75.00 per dance):

Nicole Kennedy
Ellen Healy

Afterschool tutoring (\$40.00 per hour)

Ellen Healy

Homebound Instruction: (\$40.00 per hour):

Ellen Healy

Detention (\$34.00 per hour):

Nicole Kennedy
Ellen Healy

Security (\$30.00 per hour):

Nicole Kennedy
Ellen Healy

Ticket Taker/Collector (\$40.00 per game):

Ellen Healy

Chain Gang (\$40.00 per game):

Ellen Healy

Announcers (\$40.00 per game):

Ellen Healy

Clock Operators (\$40.00 per game):

Ellen Healy

12. Recommend acceptance of the resignation of Susan Birks as a paraprofessional at the Dr. Gerald H. Woehr Elementary School effective October 12, 2012.
13. Recommend acceptance of the resignation of Eileen Donnelly as a paraprofessional at the New Egypt High School effective October 12, 2012.

Roll Call

Yes

Mrs. Septor, Mrs. Wig,
Mr. Midgett, Mrs. Soles,
Mr. Miller

No

None

Absent

Mr. Hauge, Mr. Probasco

C. Policy

Mrs. Wig moved with a second by Mrs. Septor that C.1 be approved:

1. Recommend approval of first reading of Policy 6142.10, Internet Safety and Technology.

Roll Call

Yes

Mrs. Wig, Mrs. Septor,
Mr. Midgett, Mrs. Soles,
Mr. Miller

No

None

Absent

Mr. Hauge, Mr. Probasco

D. Professional Development/Travel Reimbursements

Mrs. Soles moved with a second by Mr. Midgett that D.1 be approved:

1. Recommend approval of the attached Professional Development.

Roll Call

Yes

Mrs. Soles, Mr. Midgett,
Mrs. Septor, Mrs. Wig,
Mr. Miller

No

None

Absent

Mr. Hauge, Mr. Probasco

E. Other Motions

Mr. Midgett moved with a second by Mrs. Soles that E.1 – E.2 be approved:

1. Recommend receipt of the HIB (Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying) Report on October 10, 2012 by the Board of Education.
2. Recommend approval of the 8th grade Picnic to be held at Liberty Lakes, Columbus, NJ on June 10, 2013.

Roll Call

Yes

Mr. Midgett, Mrs. Soles,
Mrs. Septor, Mrs. Wig,
Mr. Miller

No

None

Absent

Mr. Hauge, Mr. Probasco

F. Facilities

G. Field Trips

Mr. Midgett moved with a second by Mrs. Wig that G.1 be approved:

1. Recommend approval of the attached Field Trips.

Roll Call

Yes

Mr. Midgett, Mrs. Wig,
Mrs. Septor, Mrs. Soles,
Mr. Miller

No

None

Absent

Mr. Hauge, Mr. Probasco

XVI. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY SCHOOL RELATED TOPIC

XVII. NEW BUSINESS

Mrs. Wig commented on the great job of the NEPS/NEES PTO meeting she attended.
Mrs. Wig suggested having one board member speak for the Board of Education comments.
Mrs. Soles commented on the presentation regarding the district test results and thanked the administrators.

XVIII. OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Gately gave an update on the elementary roof project.
Mr. Miller asked about the IT systems/internet.
Mr. Gately gave an update on the district technology system.

XIX. BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMENTS

Mrs. Wig thanked everyone for their presentations.
Mrs. Wig congratulated the fall sports.
Mrs. Wig congratulated the teachers who received grants.
Mrs. Wig thanked everyone for coming out tonight.

Mrs. Wig made a motion to adjourn at 8:56 p.m.
Seconded by Mrs. Septor, Passed unanimously.

Business Administrator/Board Secretary