

PLUMSTED TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
September 16, 2020
6:30 p.m. Executive Session
7:30 p.m. Anticipated Public Session
REMOTE MEETING

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.

2019-2020 Board of Education Goals

1. Plumsted Township Board of Education will support Year 3 of the Plumsted Township School District Strategic Plan strategies and projected outcomes from administration and all the Board of Education Community Committees. The Board of Education will receive quarterly updates from the administration, Professional Efficacy Committee, Student Success Committee, 21st Century Curriculum Committee, The Warrior Broadcasting Network and the Warrior 2022 Committee concerning student performance, district performance, school culture, fiscal needs and community concerns. Decisions concerning curricula, personnel, facilities and budgeting concerning Year 4 initiatives and strategies will be developed by the Board of Education and District Administration after a review of the Year 3 progress.
2. Plumsted Township Board of Education will support the continued development and implementation of the Warrior Personalized Learning Curriculum to enhance the facilitation of learning in grades 6-11. The Board of Education will receive quarterly updates from building and central office administration concerning student growth and year to year comparisons of student data on state and national standardized assessments, as well as trends in personalized learning in the Plumsted Township School District. This information will be evaluated and used to determine recommendations by the Board of Education for the 2020-2021 school year.
3. Plumsted Township Board of Education will become familiarized and receive monthly updates on the implementation of the new K-5 Math program, Bridges. The BOE will receive an overview of the program and how it will correct the needs that have developed in the district K-8 math performance of our students. The Board of Education will receive mid-year and end of year data concerning the growth of the students.
4. Plumsted Township Board of Education will structure a timeline for a comprehensive search, advertise and compile a list of qualified individuals, create a thorough and fair interview process and vet all finalists with the goal to have a superintendent in place on July 1, 2020.

2019-2020 District Goals

1. Plumsted Township School District will research, develop and implement the Year 3 goal and strategies of the Plumsted Township School District Strategic Plan. The Superintendent, central office and building administration will work in conjunction with the Board of Education Community Committees to develop the goal of improved Customer Service as the focal point for the Year 3 strategies. Administration and Committees will report quarterly as to the outcomes achieved and the effect on the successful implementation of the initiatives. The BOE and administration will use the data gathered to make decisions about Year 4 of the Strategic Plan.
2. Plumsted Township School District will continue to research, develop and implement the Warrior Personalized Learning Curriculum to enhance the facilitation of learning in grades 6-11. The administration and professional staff will gather data concerning student growth during the school year, as well as year to year data on state and national assessments to determine trends in our district.
3. Plumsted Township School District will train, implement and evaluate staff and students as to effectiveness the new K-5 Math program, Bridges. The district will gather data to determine if the weaknesses and holes found through evaluation of current student performance is improved effectively with professional development and new resources. The district and building administration will make an initial presentation to the Board of Education and will follow up with mid-year and end of year date and evaluation as to the effectiveness of the program.

Board of Education approval September 11, 2019

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Burnett, President, called the meeting to order at 6:33 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, August 19, 2020, 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

Mr. Burnett	Present
Mrs. Soles	Present
Mr. Kudrick	Absent (arrived to the meeting at 6:38 p.m.)
Mrs. Potter	Present
Mrs. Sempervive	Absent
Mrs. Septor	Present
Mr. Witham	Present

ALSO PRESENT

- Mrs. Halperin-Krain, Acting Superintendent
- Mr. Gately, Business Administrator/Board Secretary
- Mr. Supsie, Board Attorney

Mrs. Soles made a motion to go into executive session at 6:38 p.m. for the purpose of discussing Covid-19 impact school opening, contracts, special education, collective bargaining and personnel. Seconded by Mrs. Septor, 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. Kudrick made a motion to go out of executive session at 8:02 p.m. Seconded by Mr. Witham, Passed unanimously.

V. ROLL CALL

Mr. Burnett	Present
Mrs. Soles	Present
Mr. Kudrick	Present
Mrs. Potter	Present
Mrs. Sempervive	Absent
Mrs. Septor	Present
Mr. Witham	Present

ALSO PRESENT

Mrs. Halperin-Krain, Acting Superintendent
 Mr. Gately, Business Administrator/Board Secretary
 Mr. Supsie, Board Attorney

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

VII. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mrs. Potter moved with a second by Mr. Kudrick that VII.A be approved:

A. Recommend that the Board approve the regular meeting agenda for September 16, 2020.

Roll Call

Yes

Mrs. Potter, Mr. Kudrick,
Mrs. Septor, Mr. Witham,
Mrs. Soles, Mr. Burnett

No

None

Absent

Mrs. Sempervive

VIII. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - None

IX. DISTRICT HIGHLIGHTS

A. Board Meeting dates:

The remaining Board of Education meetings will be held:

October 14, 2020
November 18, 2020

December 16, 2020
January 6, 2021 (reorganization meeting)

B. Student Enrollment

C. Fire/Drill/School Security Drills

D. Suspension List

X. BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORTS

XI. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COMMENTS

XII. SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS

Mrs. Halperin-Krain, Acting Superintendent, commented on the following:

HIB Report

Jessica Sakimura, Student Representative to the Board of Education

Back to School Nights

Opening of Schools

XIII. PRESENTATIONS/AWARDS

XIV. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS - None

XV. SUPERINTENDENT'S AGENDA

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

A. Finance Motions

Mrs. Septor moved with a second by Mr. Witham that A.1 – A.19 be approved:

1. Recommend approval of all bills and claims for September 16, 2020, which have been examined by members of the Finance Committee and are presented for approval.
2. Recommend approval of all bills and claims for September 16, 2020, which required handwritten checks after the August 12, 2020 - None
3. Recommend ratification of the transferring of funds, for the period ending July 31, 2020.
4. Recommend ratification of approval of a contract with Legacy Treatment Service-Mary Dobbins School for tuition for the 2020-2021 school year, for one student, at a total cost of \$71,168.40.
5. Recommend ratification of approval of a contract with Ocean County Vocational Technical School Board of Education for tuition for the 2020-2021 school year for forty-one Shared Time Vocational School students and eleven (11) Full Time students for a total contract cost of \$48,195.00.
6. Recommend approval of a contract between Jostens, Inc. and New Egypt Middle School to publish the 2020-2021, funded from student activities, and at no cost to the Board of Education.
7. Recommend approval of an agreement with Monmouth County Curriculum Consortium for the annual 2020-2021 MC3 General Membership: PD Package Option (Winter Summit fee and 5 Topical Breakout Sessions), for up to 5 members, at a cost of \$375.00.
8. Recommend approval of an agreement with IXL Learning for a one (1) year subscription of 250 Math Licenses for grades 3-5, at the Dr. Gerald H. Woehr Elementary School, for the 2020-2021 school year, at a cost not to exceed \$2,500.00. Funding ES General Supplies
9. Recommend approval of an agreement with Wilson Language Training for Levels K-3 Foundations at Home Student Packets, for students at the Dr. Gerald H. Woehr elementary School for the 2020-2021 school year, at a cost not to exceed \$1,263.28. Funding ES General Supplies

10. Recommend approval of an agreement with Teaching Strategies for two (2) online professional development subscriptions for staff at the Dr. Gerald H. Woehr Elementary School for the 2020-2021 school year, at a total cost of \$330.00, paid by Title II Funds.
11. Recommend approval of an agreement with Teaching Strategies for the purchase of three (3) Digital Curriculum Resources for the 2020-2021 school year, at the Dr. Gerald H. Woehr Elementary School, at a total cost of \$795.00. PreK and K - budgeted in General Supplies
12. Recommend approval of an agreement with Teaching Strategies for the purchase of Gold Curriculum Resources for the 2020-2021 school year at the Dr. Gerald H. Woehr Elementary School, at a total cost of \$1,607.40. Prek and K - budgeted in General Supplies
13. Recommend approval of a proposal with Seesaw for Schools, to provide 100 seats of online software for the first grade students at the Dr. Gerald H. Woehr Elementary School, for the 2020-2021 school year, at a cost of \$550.00. First grade budget
14. Recommend approval of a proposal with Screencastify for a District/Record/Edit License, for the 2020-2021 school year, at a cost of \$1,000.00. District wide for all students
15. Recommend ratification of approval for the renewal of GoGuardian to provide classroom management and student network safety, effective August 1, 2020 through July 31, 2021, in the amount of \$10,705.50.
16. Recommend approval of Marion Leonard, Consultant, to provide support and training for grades K-2 teachers, using Bridges in Mathematics or Bridges Intervention for the 2020-2021 school year, at the rate of \$125.00 per hour, for 12 hours, at a total cost of \$1,500.00. Title II - ES PD
17. Recommend approval of Beth Newman, Consultant, to provide support and training for grades 3-5 teachers, using Bridges in Mathematics or Bridges Intervention for the 2020-2021 school year, at the rate of \$125.00 per hour, for 12 hours, at a total cost of \$1,500.00.
18. Recommend approval of the following meal prices for the 2020-2021 school year:

School	Program	Full Price	Reduced Priced
Elementary School	Breakfast	\$1.50	\$0.00
Elementary School	Lunch	\$2.85	\$0.00
Middle School	Breakfast	\$1.50	\$0.00
Middle School	Lunch	\$3.25	\$0.00
High School	Breakfast	\$1.50	\$0.00
High School	Lunch	\$3.40	\$0.00

19. Recommend acceptance of the CARES-Digital Divide Grant, awarded by the New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE) 2020 Bridging the Digital Divide Grant, in the amount of \$48,406.00.

Roll Call

Yes

Mrs. Septor, Mr. Witham,
Mr. Kudrick, Mrs. Potter,
Mrs. Soles, Mr. Burnett

No

None

Absent

Mrs. Sempervive

B. Personnel Motions

Mrs. Potter moved with a second by Mr. Witham that B.1 – B.7 be approved:

1. Recommend ratification of approval of a Title 10 paid military leave of absence for Ginger White, teacher, at the Dr. Gerald H. Woehr Elementary School:

LEAVE

FROM

THROUGH

Military Leave

with pay, with benefits

September 10, 2020

September 11, 2020

Military Leave

with pay, with benefits

October 1, 2020

October 2, 2020

Military Leave

with pay, with benefits

November 12, 2020

November 13, 2020

Military Leave

with pay, with benefits

December 3, 2020

December 4, 2020

2. Recommend approval of a leave of absence for Ashley Sunday, English teacher, at the New Egypt High School:

LEAVE

FROM

THROUGH

NJFLA

without pay, with benefits

October 5, 2020

December 23, 2020

3. Recommend approval for Dennis Wilno to fulfill the requirements of the 2020-2023 Mentoring position.
4. Recommend approval for Dennis Wilno to mentor Kristy Lim during the 2020-2021 school year.
5. Recommend ratification of approval of a salary adjustment, [as per the attached:](#)
6. Recommend ratification of approval of the staff stipend positions for the 2020-2021 school year, [as per the attached list:](#)
7. Recommend ratification of approval of the fall sports stipends for the 2020-2021 school year, [as per the attached list:](#)

Roll Call

Yes

Mrs. Potter, Mr. Witham,
Mr. Kudrick (with the exception of B.7)
Mrs. Septor, Mrs. Soles,
Mr. Burnett

No

None

Absent

Mrs. Sempervive

C. Policy

Mrs. Soles moved with a second by Mr. Witham that C.1 be approved:

1. Recommend approval of the second reading of [Policy 1648.03](#) Restart and Recovery Plan-Full Time Remote Instruction.

Roll Call

Yes

Mrs. Soles, Mr. Witham,
Mr. Kudrick, Mrs. Potter,
Mrs. Septor, Mr. Burnett

No

None

Absent

Mrs. Sempervive

D. Professional Development/Travel Reimbursements

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

1. Recommend approval of the [attached Professional Development](#).

Roll Call

Yes

Mrs. Septor, Mrs. Soles,
Mr. Kudrick, Mrs. Potter,
Mr. Witham, Mr. Burnett

No

None

Absent

Mrs. Sempervive

E. Other Motion

Mr. Kudrick moved with a second by Mr. Witham that E.1 – E.6 be approved:

1. Recommend receipt of the HIB (Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying) Report on September 16, 2020, by the Board of Education.
2. Recommend revision and approval of the Bilingual/ESL Three-Year Program Plan.
3. Recommend approval of the Uniform State Memorandum of Agreement Between Education and Law Enforcement Officials, for the 2020-2021 school year.
4. Recommend approval of the Comprehensive Equity Plan, Annual Statement of Assurance.

5. Recommend approval for Thomas Chemris to provide canine therapeutic services for staff and students, pending current veterinary, therapy certification and immunization records.
6. Recommend approval of Jessica Sakimura as Student Liaison for the 2020-2021 school year.

Discussion: Mrs. Soles asked how many students in the district with ESL services.
 Mrs. Halperin-Krain responded that there is about 13 receiving.
 Mrs. Funes responded to motion E.02, Bilingual/ESL Three-Year Program Plan.

Roll Call

Yes	Mr. Kudrick, Mr. Witham, Mrs. Potter, Mrs. Septor, Mrs. Soles, Mr. Burnett
No	None
Absent	Mrs. Sempervive

F. Facilities

Mrs. Potter moved with a second by Mr. Witham that F.1 be approved:

1. Recommend ratification of approval to operate a NEEDS staff childcare program at the Dr. Gerald H. Woehr Elementary School.

Discussion: Mrs. Soles asked for more information on E.1
 Mrs. Halperin-Krain explained the program at the elementary school.

Roll Call

Yes	Mrs. Potter, Mr. Witham, Mr. Kudrick, Mrs. Septor, Mrs. Soles, Mr. Burnett
No	None
Absent	Mrs. Sempervive

G. Field Trips

XVI. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY SCHOOL RELATED TOPIC

Brandy Simmons, 330 Warwick Drive, Cream Ridge, NJ – asked about the cost of the NEED Program.
 Jennifer Joiner, 1 Kuzyk Road, Cream Ridge, NJ – concerns with the NEED Program.
 Meaghan Poole, 203 Amies Way, New Egypt, NJ – asked about the start date for the return of hybrid and when will they receive information about bussing.
 Joe (Jenny) Rich, 200 Longswamp Road, New Egypt, NJ – asked about child’s cohort.
 Tara Dzurko, 85 Hemlock Drive, New Egypt, NJ – concerns with hard work on parents for their children.
 Craig Goldberg, 118 Bobbi’s Terrace, New Egypt, NJ – asked if another survey will be sent for remote/hybrid.
 Kerri Rotundo, 44 Hopkins Road, New Egypt, NJ – asked what to expect when student is home during hybrid.
 Stephanie Patterson, 206 Archertown Road, New Egypt, NJ – concerns about special needs students and IEP meetings.
 Jennifer Carson, 334 Warwick Drive, Cream Ridge, NJ – asked about the return of school.
 Darek Ahmed, 4 Huckleberry Lane, Cream Ridge, NJ – asked about using primary school for students.
 Elizabeth DiDonato, 125 Highbridge Road, New Egypt, NJ – asked about using primary school.
 Brandy Simmons, 330 Warwick Drive, Cream Ridge, NJ - asked about staffing and utilizing the primary school.
 Tara Dzurko, 85 Hemlock Drive, New Egypt, NJ – asked about staffing.

Teresa Castellan, 74 Hemlock Drive, New Egypt, NJ – teachers are amazing and going above and beyond.

Dawn Taylor, 26 Ivins Drive, New Egypt, NJ – asked about hybrid/cohorts.

Stephanie Patterson, 206 Archertown Road, New Egypt, NJ - asked about using existing teachers.

XVII. NEW BUSINESS

XVIII. OLD BUSINESS

XIX. BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMENTS

Mr. Witham welcomed Jessica Sakimura as the Student Representative to the Board of Education.

Mrs. Soles made a motion to adjourn at 9:10 p.m.

Seconded by Mrs. Septor, Passed unanimously.

Mr. Gately
Business Administrator/Board Secretary