

PLANO COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 88
Minutes of Regular Board Meeting
Board of Education

The Board of Education of Plano Community Unit School District No. 88 met in regular session on Monday, October 20, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. at the Plano School District Administration Office.

I CALL TO ORDER

President Porter called the meeting to order at 7:20 p.m. Present for roll call were Appel, Blair, DeBolt, Heller, Martinez, Moody and Porter. Others present were administrators Baker, Czyz, Heller, Johnson, Lantvit, Mateyka, Patterson, Runkle, Schmidt and Walker and Board Secretary Benoit. Office staff present: Jamie Wetzel.

II PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

III APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Heller moved, and DeBolt seconded the motion, to approve the agenda as printed. Voting aye: Heller, DeBolt, Appel, Blair, Martinez, Moody and Porter. Motion carried: 7 ayes, 0 nays.

IV STUDENTS SPEAK: In Their Own Words

Josh Gorzey was presented with a framed resolution for his golf accomplishments.

Sarah Johnson, Dora Meza, Rebecca Morello, Kristin Whitt and Nicole Winter read the Red Ribbon Week proclamation. Board members praised them for being good examples.

Kelly Davies read a written statement on behalf of the senior high school cheerleaders.

V OPPORTUNITY FOR VISITORS TO SPEAK

The following visitors were present: Ray Gorzney, Molly Gorzney, Mrs. Meza, Kari Gerakaris, Scott Smith, Michelle Burcenski, Tammy McGinnis and Andy Baker. Media representatives Lisa Welz (Record) was present for the meeting. Member Blair left the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

VI CONSENT AGENDA

DeBolt moved, and Moody seconded the motion, to approve the consent agenda as printed:

A. Minutes

- *Special Meeting, Executive Session, Budget Hearing & Regular Meeting – September 22, 2008*

B. Financial Statements, Bills & Payroll

Included in the Board packet are Bills and Payroll, Financial Statements and Accounts Payable Checks #92075-92315 & 92459-92463 (void checks #92134-92139 & 92144, 92145, 92214, 92230, 92231 & 92315) and Payroll Checks #91916-92074, 92316-92458 & 92464-92473 & (void checks #91930-91932, 92331, 92428, 92434-92436, 92465 & 92466.)

C. PMA Reports

A copy of the most recent PMA monthly Report #592 (9/1/08-9/30/08) is attached.

D. Executive Session Tape Destruction

Approve the destruction of audiotapes of executive session minutes during March 2007.

Voting aye: DeBolt, Moody, Appel, Heller, Martinez and Porter.

Motion carried: 6 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent.

Member Blair returned to the meeting at 7:44 p.m.

VII SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Report No. 09-45 Student Resolution

Appel moved, and Heller seconded the motion, to approve the golf resolution, as read, with a copy of said resolution to become part of the official minutes.

Voting aye: Appel, Heller, Blair, DeBolt, Martinez, Moody and Porter.

Motion carried: 7 ayes, 0 nays.

Report No. 09-46 Red Ribbon Week Proclamation

Moody moved, and Martinez seconded the motion, to approve the Red Ribbon Week proclamation as read, with a copy of said resolution to become part of the official minutes.

Voting aye: Moody, Martinez, Appel, Blair, DeBolt, Heller and Porter.

Motion carried: 7 ayes, 0 nays.

Report No. 09-47 FY08 Audit Report

Ed Marso from Wermer, Rogers, Doran & Ruzon, LLC, reviewed the FY08 audit. This is the first year the auditors also had to prepare a single audit of federal programs. The financial position of the district has been improving from year to year. The cash reserve trend is moving in the right direction. This shows that staff members are good at budgeting and have a good handle on finances. District staff also did a good job preparing for the audit.

DeBolt moved, and Heller seconded the motion, to accept the 2007-08 (FY08) audit report.

Voting aye: DeBolt, Heller, Appel, Blair, Martinez, Moody and Porter.

Motion carried: 7 ayes, 0 nays.

Report No. 09-31 Administrators' Board Reports

Mr. Runkle announced that P.H. Miller would be hosting four Family Reading Nights this fall. The Intervention Team meets weekly to discuss students with academic/behavioral challenges. They are thinking of instituting automobile nametags to assist with after-school pickups. The Book Fair was a great success. Check out the hallway art organized by Ms. Flood. PATT sponsored a mother/son event for Halloween and will be starting monthly Movie Nights.

Miss Lantvit discussed Halloween activities planned for Centennial School. There was a Character Counts assembly sponsored by PATT on October 6. Conferences are being scheduled for October 30 & 31. Activities are being scheduled for American Education Week. Miss Flood has been doing a great job working with students on art projects and displaying them in the school.

Report No. 09-31 Administrators' Board Reports (cont.)

Mr. Baker said Parent/Teacher Conference times are filling up and 6th grade will be introducing student-led conferences. Emily G. Johns students and staff have collected over 650 books to be donated to Central School in Ottawa; this school suffered much damage due to recent floods. Emily G. Johns has start awards for Citizenship, Most Improved and Super Student of the Quarter.

Mr. Czyz announced that the Walk to School event, which has been previously cancelled due to bad weather, has been rescheduled for October 21. The Student of the Quarter breakfast will be held on October 23. Student-led conferences will be held on October 30 & 31. A Parent/Community Drug Use & Abuse Information Night will be held on October 30. There will be a motivational speaker at the Middle School on October 29.

Mr. Heller was pleased to announce that Christine Armstrong received \$1,000 in classroom supplies through the "A Day Made Better" program at Office Max. She was nominated by her students. Mr. Heller reviewed the attendance and discipline reports. Member Blair asked if the reports could be time period and cumulative in the future.

Mr. Johnson said the new industrial arts program is going well. Guidance will be sponsoring Parent Nights for each grade level. The peer mediation program will be returning to the high school. The Annual Career Fair will be held on October 21 with over 100 occupations being represented. Eight other schools will be attending the event. A Parent Night about drug and alcohol abuse will be offered on October 30. The IHSA is adding bass fishing as an official sport and Mr. Johnson would like to be considered as a sponsor!

Mrs. Patterson reviewed her written report. October 10th district-wide curriculum events were well received. A number of trainings will be taking place for Read Naturally and RtI. Much grant information was gathered at Title I and III statewide director's meetings in Springfield.

Report No. 09-49 District Athletic Director Report

Mr. Schmidt talked about Josh Gorzney's accomplishments during the 2008 season. Volleyball will compete in the Mendota regional on October 30. The football team is playoff eligible. Karson Greiter won the I-8 Cross Country Conference meet by 30 seconds. The girls placed 3rd and the boys were 9th as a team. Soccer ended the season 4-4. Plano High School will host boy's and girl's basketball sectionals and individual sectional wrestling.

Middle School will cut to 15 players for each level. There are 50 students participating in intramural boys basketball at Emily Johns.

The Growth Committee looked at adding two additional ball fields at the High School, which can be used for softball and baseball.

Jim Schmidt is using a new scheduling website called highschoolsports.net.

President Porter asked if there was a tool to evaluate coaches. Dr. Walker said this is being done, as well as evaluations of staff members.

Report No. 09-33 Personnel Report

Heller moved, and Moody seconded the motion, to approve the personnel report as follows:

I. Notice of Intent to Retire:

- Michele Wade – at the end of the 2011-12 school year

II. Resignation:

- Corey Drummond – Recess/Lunch Aide, P.H. Miller School, effective 10/3/08

III. Employment effective 2008-09 school year (unless noted otherwise):

- Laura Anderson – 2nd Shift Custodian, Plano High School, \$10.75/hour, effective 10/14/08
- Sandra Johnson – Substitute Lunch/Recess Aide, P.H. Miller School, \$9.75/hour, effective 10/6/08
- Curtis Kitner – 2nd Shift Custodian, Plano Middle School, \$10.75/hour, effective 10/9/08
- Julie Maxson – Bus Driver Substitute, \$20.90/run/\$12.50/hour, effective 10/2/08
- Pamela Ohme – Substitute Lunch/Recess Aide, P.H. Miller School, \$9.75/hour, effective 10/1/08
- Don Riddle – Maintenance Assistant, \$15.00/hour, effective 10/6/08

IV. Plano Middle School Extra- and Co-Curricular Assignments:

- Blanca Graziano – Middle School Poms, \$1,240

V. Student Teachers/Observers:

- Rebekah Dean – Spring of 2009, student teaching with Anne Hutchison at Plano High School.

VI. Volunteers:

- Andrea Hallbeck – P.H. Miller School
- Robin Sheehy – P.H. Miller School
- Caren Villareal – P.H. Miller School
- Kathy Zeck-Kennedy – P.H. Miller School
- Elizabeth Vega – P.H. Miller School
- Jasmin Licud – P.H. Miller School
- Kim Droysen – P.H. Miller School
- Robin Ruman – P.H. Miller School
- Diane Appel – P.H. Miller School
- Ignacia Licea – P.H. Miller School
- Laura Jacobsen – P.H. Miller School
- Jan Christenson – Centennial School

Voting aye: Heller, Moody, Appel, Blair, DeBolt, Martinez and Porter.

Motion carried: 7 ayes, 0 nays.

Report No. 09-51 Policy Review

DeBolt moved, and Moody seconded the motion, to approve the following policies for a second reading and adoption: 6.30, 6.40, 6.50, 6.60, 6.60-AP, 6.80, 6.100, 6.110, 6.130, 6.140, 6.145, 6.150 & 6.160 and the following policies for a first reading: 6.170-AP1, 6.170-AP2, 6.170-AP3, 6.170-E1, 6.170-E2, 6.180, 6.200, 6.210, 6.220, 6.230, 6.235, 6.250, 6.280, 6.290, 6.300, 6.310 & 6.340.

Voting aye: DeBolt, Moody, Appel, Blair, Heller, Martinez and Porter.

Motion carried: 7 ayes, 0 nays.

Report No. 09-52

Award P.H. Miller Addition Bids

DeBolt moved, and Blair seconded the motion, to award P.H. Miller School addition and renovation projects to the following bidders:

Bid package 1 – General Construction.

Lite Construction, in the amount of \$1,231,657 (Includes base bid and alternates #1 and #2)

Bid package 2 – Windows.

Replacement Windows System, in the amount of \$17,008 (Includes base bid and alternates #1)

Bid package 3 – Heating Ventilation and Air Conditioning.

Commercial Mechanical Incorporated, in the amount of \$1,202,000 (Includes base bid and alternates #1 and #2)

Bid package 4 – Plumbing.

Adler Plumbing, in the amount of \$215,000 (Includes base bid and alternates #1 and #2)

Bid package 5 – Fire Protection.

Monarch Fire Protection, in the amount of \$36,700 (Includes base bid and alternates #1)

Bid package 6 – Electrical.

R&R Electric, in the amount of \$322,890 (Includes base bid and alternates #1 and #2)

Voting aye: DeBolt, Blair, Appel, Heller, Martinez, Moody and Porter.

Motion carried: 7 ayes, 0 nays.

Report No. 09-53

P.H. Miller Building Permit

Heller moved, and Moody seconded the motion, to approve the Application for Building Permit for P.H. Miller Elementary School for Project Number 07059.

Voting aye: Heller, Moody, Appel, Blair, DeBolt, Martinez and Porter.

Motion carried: 7 ayes, 0 nays.

Report No. 09-54

Fall Housing Reports

Dr. Walker reviewed the tentative fall housing report numbers. This year the fall housing report figures will be pulled from the Statewide Student Information System (SIS) and will not be submitted by each district. The district enrollment is 2,288 students with 32 out-of-district placements for a grand total of 2,320.

- Report No. 09-55** **403(b) Committee Recommendations**
DeBolt moved, and Martinez seconded the motion, to authorize the superintendent to sign a one-year management agreement, pending attorney review, with Castle Bank for 403(b) plan development and plan management.
- Voting aye: DeBolt, Martinez, Appel, Blair, Heller, Moody and Porter.
Motion carried: 7 ayes, 0 nays.
- Report No. 09-56** **Tri-Conference Update**
Board Secretary Benoit distributed preliminary information about the Tri-Conference to be held in Chicago from November 21-23, 2008. More information will be sent at a later date to Board members that plan to attend the conference.
- Report No. 09-57** **Growth Committee Report**
Superintendent Walker reviewed handouts that were distributed at the recent Growth Committee meetings that were held on October 1 & 15. The committee recommends that the Board consider:
- Adding on to P.H. Miller and returning it to a PK-1 attendance center
 - Gradually adding athletic fields per the proposed layout
 - Delaying the next referendum as long as possible
 - Consider adding air conditioning to all buildings as funding is available.
- Report No. 09-58** **Fundraising Contracts**
Blair moved, and Martinez seconded the motion, to approve the fundraising contracts with Scholastic Book Fair and Art to Remember.
- Voting aye: Blair, Martinez, Appel, DeBolt, Heller, Moody and Porter.
Motion carried: 7 ayes, 0 nays.
- Report No. 09-59** **Authorization to Accept Nominating Petitions**
Appel moved, and Moody seconded the motion, to authorize the Superintendent to accept nominating petitions from School Board candidates in the event the Board Secretary is absent.
- Voting aye: Appel, Moody, Blair, DeBolt, Heller, Martinez and Porter.
Motion carried: 7 ayes, 0 nays.

VIII BOARD COMMENTS

- President Porter announced that the Plano High School marching band received a 1st place in their division at the Sandwich Marching Band Competition.

VIII BOARD COMMENTS (cont.)

- Member Heller asked about the progress of the security system at the High School. Dr. Walker said the interior cameras were up and recording and next week the exterior cameras would be installed. GraphTech is working on the network connections and then they will be working on the doors. Training will take place soon on all aspects of the security system.
- Vice President DeBolt commented that Homecoming turned out to be a very nice weekend. She heard nice compliments.
- Member Blair asked if the after-school activity buses were being utilized by students. Dr. Walker gave the numbers for each route. Mr. Schmidt will remind families about these buses at the winter sport orientation.
- President Porter thanked Ed Marso for attending the Board meeting and for staying through the entire meeting.

IX FUTURE BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA

- Board members agreed to change the regular Board of Education meeting from November 17, 2008 to November 24, 2008, due to a last minute conflict with Superintendent Walker.
- There will be a special Board meeting on November 10, 2008 at 5:30 p.m. to discuss Board goals.

X EXECUTIVE SESSION

Blair moved, and Heller seconded the motion, to go into executive session at 9:15 p.m. to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), as amended by P.A. 93-0057), and to discuss the purchase or lease of real property for the use of the District, including meetings held for the purpose of discussing whether a particular parcel should be acquired (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5)).

Voting aye: Blair, Heller, Appel, DeBolt, Martinez, Moody and Porter.

Motion carried: 7 ayes, 0 nays.

Blair moved, and Heller seconded the motion to come out of executive session at 9:45 p.m.

Voting aye: Blair, Heller, Appel, DeBolt, Martinez, Moody and Porter.

Motion carried: 7 ayes, 0 nays.

XI ADJOURNMENT

Blair moved, and Heller seconded the motion, to adjourn the meeting at 9:46 p.m.

Voting aye: Blair, Heller, Appel, DeBolt, Martinez, Moody and Porter.

Motion carried: 7 ayes, 0 nays.

James Porter, President
Board of Education

Kathryn Benoit, Secretary
Board of Education