

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, November 19, 2007 at 6:00 p.m. at the Plano School District Administration Office.

I CALL TO ORDER

President Porter called the regular meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. Present for roll call were Appel, DeBolt, Heller, Moody and Porter. Member Blair arrived at 7:22 p.m. and Member Flynn was absent. Others present were administrators Baker, Czyz, Johnson, Lantvit, Lucas, Patterson, Runkle and Superintendent Walker and Board Secretary Benoit. Administrator Heller arrived at 6:52 p.m. Office staff present: Norma Green and Jamie Wetzel.

II PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

III APPROVAL OF AGENDA

DeBolt moved, and Heller seconded the motion, to approve the agenda as printed.
Voting aye: DeBolt, Appel, Heller Moody and Porter.
Motion carried: 5 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent.

IV STUDENTS SPEAK: In Their Own Words

Cross Country Coach Andy Shaw was present and introduced sectional and state qualifiers Mike Mickelson and Karson Greiter. Mike Mickelson was unable to attend the meeting, but his mother, Renetta Mickelson, accepted his resolution. Karson Greiter accepted her framed resolution for her State cross country participation.

V OPPORTUNITY FOR VISITORS TO SPEAK

Visitors Kathy Tyler, Andy Shaw, Scott Greiter, Karen Greiter, Karson Greiter and Renetta Mickelson were present. Media representative Lisa Welz (Record) was also present for the meeting, but left at 6:50 p.m.

VI CONSENT AGENDA

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

A. Minutes

- *Regular Meeting & Executive Session – October 22, 2007*
- *Special Meeting – November 5, 2007*

B. Financial Statements, Bills & Payroll

Bills and Payroll, Financial Statements and Accounts Payable Checks #68214, 86374-86730 (void checks #86514, 86534 & 86541) and Payroll Checks #86215-86373 & 86574-86733 (void checks #86340 & 86698).

C. PMA Reports

PMA monthly Report #592 (10/1/067-10/31/07).

D. Executive Session Tape Destruction

Approve the destruction of audio tapes of executive session minutes during April 2006.

Voting aye: DeBolt, Heller, Appel, Moody and Porter.
Motion carried: 5 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent.

VI SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Action Items

Report No. 08-71

Student Resolutions

Appel moved, and Heller seconded the motion, to approve the student resolutions for cross country as read, with a copy of said resolutions to become part of the official minutes.

Voting aye: Appel, Heller, DeBolt, Moody and Porter.
Motion carried: 5 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent.

Report No. 08-72

Personnel Report

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

I. Notice of Intent to Retire:

- A. Lowrie Cork – effective end of the 2010-11 school year
- Elaine Miller – effective end of the 2010-11 school year.

II. Resignation:

- Pam Ladzinski – Pom Pon Assistant Coach – Plano Middle School.

III. Employment:

- Kristina Ferguson – Custodian, Plano High School, \$10.25/hour, effective 11/26/07
- Misty Lyn Heath – Substitute Bus Driver/Aide, \$20.43/\$19.35/route, effective 10/16/07
- Gina Tomich – Reading Improvement Aide, P.H. Miller School, \$9.50/hour, effective 10/29/07.

IV. Middle School Extra-Curricular Assignments:

- Estela Graziano – Pom Pon Assistant Coach – Plano Middle School.

V. High School Extra-Curricular Assignments:

- Greg Gould – Assistant Boys Baseball – Plano High School
(*Greg will replace Brian Lown who was hired previously*)
- Ben Slack – Assistant Boys Baseball – Plano High School

VI. Transfers:

- Vivian Staton – from district substitute cook to assistant cook at Plano High School.

Voting aye: Appel, Moody, DeBolt, Heller and Porter.
Motion carried: 5 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent.

Report No. 08-73

Technology Proposal

Kathy Tyler and representatives from GraphTech reviewed the technology proposal for the Plano High School Addition and Renovation Project.

DeBolt moved, and Moody seconded the motion, to approve the GraphTech Networking proposal totaling \$237,579.19 and the Equipment proposal totaling \$208,971, both for the Plano High School Addition and Renovation Project.

During discussion, President Porter asked when the installation would take place. Jeff Meyer said the offices and labs would be installed over Christmas break and the next phase would be completed after the remodeling was complete.

- Report No. 08-73** **Technology Proposal (cont.)**
Hearing no more discussion, President Porter called for the roll call vote:
Voting aye: DeBolt, Moody, Appel, Heller and Porter.
Motion carried: 5 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent.
- Report No. 08-74** **Approve Van Bid**
Appel moved, and Heller seconded the motion, to accept the bid of \$17,811.88 for a 2007 Chevrolet Voyager van from Ron Westphal Chevrolet to be used for special route transportation, and move to add the Climate Package for a cost of \$516.00 for a total of \$18,327.88.

Voting aye: Appel, Heller, DeBolt, Moody and Porter.
Motion carried: 5 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent.
- Report No. 08-75** **Authorization to Let Bids for Fitness Equipment**
Moody moved, and DeBolt seconded the motion, to let bids for fitness equipment as outlined in the prepared specifications.

Voting aye: Moody, DeBolt, Appel, Heller and Porter.
Motion carried: 5 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent.
- Report No. 08-76** **Board Appointed Holiday**
DeBolt moved, and Heller seconded the motion, to designate Friday, March 21, 2008 a Board designated holiday for district full-time employees who work twelve months and at least thirty-five hours per week.

Voting aye: DeBolt, Heller, Appel, Moody and Porter.
Motion carried: 5 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent.
- Report No. 08-77** **2008 Board Meeting Calendar**
DeBolt moved, and Heller seconded the motion, to approve the 2008 Board of Education meeting calendar as follows: January 28, February 25, March 17, April 21, May 19, June 23, July 21, August 18, September 22, October 20, November 17 and December 15, 2008.

Voting aye: DeBolt, Heller, Appel, Moody and Porter.
Motion carried: 5 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent.
- Report No. 08-78** **Resolution Regarding Estimated Amounts Necessary to be Levied for the Year 2007**
Appel moved, and Moody seconded the motion, to approve the Resolution Regarding Estimated Amounts Necessary to be Levied for the Year 2007, and set the levy hearing for Monday, December 17, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. with the public notice to be published on Thursday, November 29, 2007 in the Plano Record.

Report No. 08-78 Resolution Regarding Estimated Amounts Necessary to be Levied for the Year 2007 (cont.)

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

Motion carried: 5 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent.

Report No. 08-79 Board of Education Goals 2007-08

Moody moved, and DeBolt seconded the motion, to approve the revised Board of Education goals for 2007-08:

The goals of Plano Community Unit School District No. 88 Board of Education are to:

1. Improve student achievement and meet yearly No Child Left Behind (NCLB) requirements by:
 - Improving reading in grades K-6
 - Improving mathematics in grades 9-12
 - Insuring continuous improvement of student performance from year to year in reading and mathematics
 - Training teachers to collaboratively utilize data to improve instructional strategies and to employ the use of research based interventions to improve student achievement
 - Providing highly qualified staff and supporting the flexible delivery of support services to meet student needs
 - Providing opportunities for staff to continue their education and achieve professional growth in meeting student needs
 - Continuing to develop a well designed and aligned curriculum
 - Expanding curricular offerings to improve educational opportunities
2. Manage growth in student population by:
 - Utilizing 5, 10 and 15 year enrollment projections
 - Assessing building usage
 - Assessing new space needs
 - Insuring that the developer fee schedules align to current costs of housing and educating students
 - Maintaining existing facilities in accordance with Life Safety codes and in alignment with the District's educational philosophy
 - Developing a plan to enhance security for each building in the district
 - Monitoring the student transportation plan to insure the needs of increasing student enrollment are met in a cost effective manner
3. Act as responsible stewards for the community, by managing our resources in order that we can meet our goals of quality education for all of our students.

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

Motion carried: 5 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent.

Report No. 08-80 403(b) Plan Requirements

Superintendent Walker appointed Julia Blair and Paul Heller to a committee to review 403(b) provider proposals and to help develop a recommendation for the Board to consider.

Information Items

Report No. 08-81 Growth Committee Report

Superintendent Walker reviewed the following recommendations of the Growth Committee:

- The district should begin construction of a new elementary school to insure an opening for the start of the 2009-2010 school year
- The district should change the configuration of all elementary schools at the time of opening the next elementary school to a K-6 neighborhood school model. Specifically, P.H. Miller would become PK-3 and Centennial would be 4-6, Emily Johns would be K-6, and the new elementary would be PK-6
- The district should change their growth plan to maintain only grades 7-8 at Plano Middle School
- The district should use the piece of property west of Plano High School to expand the athletic fields and parking as the High School grows to a capacity of 2,000 students
- The district should consider acquiring sites with the acreage necessary to accommodate both elementary and a middle school buildings with shared parking areas
- The district should begin marketing its successes to generate community understanding and support

Report No. 08-83 Tri-Conference Review

Board members discussed workshops they were able to attend at the Tri-Conference. Their trip was cut short, due to the football playoffs.

Report No. 08-84 District Athletic Director's Report

Board members reviewed Jim Schmidt's written report.

Report No. 08-85 High School Addition & Renovation Project Update

Bill Johnson announced that progress at the High School project is ahead of schedule. Things are progressing very well.

Report No. 08-86 Administrator's Board Reports

- In addition to his written report, Bill Johnson announced that the newly formed chess team finished 8th in a recent tournament. They have 12-16 participants.
- Wayne Czyz announced that the Middle School will host Marion Blumenthal-Lazan, a Holocaust survivor. Mr. Meech received an award from Discovery Education. The Student of the Quarter breakfast was held in October. Maggie Benoit is the first Middle School student to read all of the Rebecca Caudill books.
- Tony Baker said Emily G. Johns hosted their first "Mix-It-Up" day at lunch. Students enjoyed sitting with other students and hope to do it again. Their first band concert will be held on December 10.
- Parents and grandparents were invited to Centennial School for American Education Week for special activities; they had 115 guests. Grandparents Day will be held in the Spring.
- Mr. Runkle was pleased to announce that routines are become more "routine" at PH Miller School. Their 1st grade holiday program will be held on December 17 at the High School.
- Mrs. Patterson reviewed her written report, including information about curriculum and instruction, RtI and Resources/Interventions and Bilingual/ESL.

VIII BOARD COMMENTS

Dr. Walker announced that former Board President Bob Baker passed away today. Mr. Baker has most recently been substitute teaching at Plano Schools and will be remembered of fondly by students, athletes and staff.

During Board comments, Board members shared what they had learned at the Board conference.

XI JOINT MEETING WITH PLANO CITY COUNCIL AT COUNCIL CHAMBERS

DeBolt moved, and Appel seconded the motion, to recess the meeting at the Administration Office at 7:58 p.m. to attend the Plano City Council meeting at Council Chambers to discuss land/cash and transition fees.

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

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

Appel moved, and DeBolt seconded the motion, to reconvene the meeting at Council Chambers at 8:18 p.m.

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

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

Mr. Porter thanked the City Council for their past support and the opportunity to meet jointly. Dr. Walker shared the recent Growth Committee recommendations, the revised Land/Cash proposed school site acreages, and the separated proposal for Transition Fees.

Phil Passon from Kingsland shared a chart of his calculations of developer fees. Denny Wiggins from the Greater Fox Valley Builders expressed his concern over raising fees. Mayor Roberts shared a fax he had just received from the Attainable Housing Alliance expressing concern about developer fees.

The Mayor decided that a committee should be formed to consider the district's proposal further.

DeBolt moved, and Moody seconded the motion, to recess the meeting at Council Chambers at 9:10 p.m. and to return to the Administration Office to continue the regular Board meeting.

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

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

DeBolt moved, and Moody seconded the motion, to reconvene the meeting at the Administration Office at 9:17 p.m.

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

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

IX FUTURE BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA

X **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

DeBolt moved, and Moody seconded the motion, to go into executive session at 9:58 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 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: DeBolt, Moody, Appel, Blair, Heller and Porter.

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

DeBolt moved, and Moody seconded the motion to come out of executive session at 10:34 p.m.

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

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

XII **ADJOURNMENT**

Blair moved, and Appel seconded the motion, to adjourn the meeting at 10:35 p.m.

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

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

James Porter, President
Board of Education

Kathryn Benoit, Secretary
Board of Education