

CLAIRTON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board of Directors

Legislative Meeting Minutes

November 26, 2019

7:00 p.m.

I. Call to Order – Richard P. Livingston, President of the Board of School Directors, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

II. Roll Call

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| Lawrence Carra | Present |
| Rikell Ford | Present |
| Felix Fusco | Present |
| Richard Livingston | Present |
| Artrena McKenzie | Present |
| Barbara Roberts | Present |
| Gloria Ruffing | Present |
| Kathy Santoline | Present |
| Roger Tachoir | Present |

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| Board of Directors: | 9 Present | 0 Absent |
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III. Salute to the Flag

IV. Presentations:

- *Elementary Students of the Month, grades K – 5 were recognized by the Board as they were presented certificates from Mrs. Maurizio, Elementary Principal.*

V. Approval of the Minutes – October 23, 2019

MOTION made by Ms. Ford, seconded by Ms. Roberts, to approve the Minutes of the October 23, 2019 Legislative Meeting.

Non-Roll Call Vote: 9 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Absent 0 Abstentions APPROVED

VI. Reports:

- A. Administration** – No Report
- B. Solicitor’s Report** – No Report
- C. Board Committees:**
 - a) **Personnel** – No Report
 - b) **Finance** – No Report
 - c) **Curriculum/Technology** – No Report
 - d) **Building & Grounds** – No Report
 - e) **Athletics** – No Report
 - f) **Recreation** – No Report
 - g) **Land Bank** – Meeting December 12th
 - h) **Steel Center** – No Report

VII. Citizens Comments – None

VIII. Treasurer’s Report – October 2019

MOTION made by Mr. Fusco, seconded by Mr. Carra, to approve the Treasurer’s Report for the month of October 2019.

Non-Roll Call Vote: 9 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Absent 0 Abstentions APPROVED

IX. Payment of Bills – November 2019

MOTION made by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Ms. Santoline to approve the Payment of Bills for the month of November 2019.

Non-Roll Call Vote: 9 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Absent 0 Abstentions APPROVED

X. Old Business – No Old Business

XI. New Business –

A. **MOTION** made by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Ms. Santoline to accept the resignation of Tori James, Girls – Assistant Basketball Coach, effective November 21, 2019.

Non-Roll Call Vote: 9 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Absent 0 Abstentions APPROVED

Administrative Agenda

Personnel Committee – Mr. Livingston, Chairperson

ON MOTION made by Mr. Tachoir, seconded by Ms. Roberts, the Board of Directors, by non-roll call vote, approved the following items designated A. through C.

- A. Board approved the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Clairton City School District and the Clairton Education Association (CEA) regarding the Tuition-Reimbursement provisions, as submitted.
- B. Board approved a change in the District Calendar to reflect closure due to pest control and extermination scheduled in the Clairton Education Center, make-up day as submitted for approval to PDE.

| Closed | Make-up Day | Information |
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| September 20, 2019 | February 17, 2020 | Holiday / Snow Make-Up Day |

- C. Board approved a disciplinary agreement made November 12, 2019 by and between the Clairton City School District and Student A charged with violations of the District's Code of Student Conduct, as submitted.

Non-Roll Call Vote: 9 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Absent 0 Abstentions APPROVED

Curriculum Committee – Ms. Roberts, Chairperson

ON MOTION made by Mr. Tachoir, seconded by Ms. Ruffing, the Board of Directors, by non-roll call vote, approved the following items designated D. through N.

- D. Board approved the first reading of Policy #333 – Professional Development updated to reflect the new requirements on trauma-informed approach education recommended for legal liability purposes, as submitted.
- E. Board approved the first reading of Policy #705 – Facilities and Workplace Safety revised to clarify that it addresses safety of the physical buildings and facilities of the school entity, as well as addressing requirements for Certified Workplace Safety Committees, as submitted.
- F. Board approved the first reading of Policy #709 – Building Security revised to reflect the role of the School Safety and Security Coordinator and responsibility of the Superintendent for designating authorized access to school buildings and facilities recommended for clarification and communication of school operations, as submitted.

- G. Board approved the first reading of Policy #805 – Emergency Preparedness and Response revised in accordance with updates to 24 P.S. 15-1517 of the PA Public School Code recommended for legal liability and auditing purposes, as submitted. *Safe2Say Something Procedures Attachment*
- H. Board approved the first reading of a new Policy #805.1 – Relations with Law Enforcement Agencies. Language on mandatory school safety and security training for school employees based on provisions of Act 44 of 2018 that created 24 P.S. 13-1310-B of the Public School Code and revised for clarification in Act 18 of 2019 recommended for legal liability and auditing purposes, as submitted.
- I. Board approved the first reading of a new Policy #805.2 – School Security Personnel that reflects the requirements of new PA Public School Code sections and revisions under Act 44 of 2018 and Act 67 of 2019. It includes definitions, roles and responsibilities for the School Safety Coordinator and school security personnel in accordance with 24 P.S. 13-1312-C of PA Public School Code recommended for legal liability and auditing purposes, as submitted.
- J. Board authorized Thomas McCloskey to proceed with grant applications for the 2019/2020 school year as follows: JJ Watt Foundation ; The Pennsylvania Department of Education’s Job Training and Education Grant and Literacy Promotion [Several possible foundations], as submitted.
- K. Board approved the Participation Agreement between the Clairton City School District and the Consortium for Public Education in collaboration with PartnerUp, led by PNC Financial connecting graduating high school students to entry-level employment opportunities, as submitted.
- L. Board ratified Stacie Baur to attend Unconventional Classroom! Teacher Conference held November 9, 2019 at Hilton Garden Inn, Crafton, PA. Registration Fees and travel expenses to be paid from Title II-A 2019/2020 Funds.
- M. Board approved Emily LaPradd to attend 2019 Biology Teacher Workshop held November 26, 2019 at Lycoming College HEIM Science Building, Williamsport, PA. Registration fees and travel expenses to be paid by the District.
- N. Board approved Larry Nicolette to attend PASBO’s 65th Annual Conference held March 17 – 20, 2020 at the David Lawrence Convention Center, Pittsburgh, PA. Registration fees and travel expenses to be paid by the District.

Non-Roll Call Vote: 9 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Absent 0 Abstentions APPROVED

Business Administrator’s Agenda

Finance Committee – Mr. Tachoir, Chairperson

ON MOTION made by Ms. Ford, seconded by Ms. Roberts, the Board of Directors, by non-roll call vote, approved the following items designated A. through D.

- A. Board approved the opening of a public entity money market account with First Commonwealth Bank, at a current interest rate of 0.75%. Signers to be the same as the regular checking account with First Commonwealth Bank.
- B. Board approved Resolution 05-19 to sell 2019 and 2020 tax claims Northwest Pennsylvania Incubator Association (“NPIA”), as submitted.
- C. Board approved Proposal Number 2567715 from Trane for Sump Pump Alarm & Control in the amount \$8,650.00, as submitted.
- D. Board approved the Business Administrator to pay necessary bills prior to the next Legislative Board meeting in lieu of a scheduled December 2019 meeting.

Non-Roll Call Vote: 9 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Absent 0 Abstentions APPROVED

- E. **MOTION** made by Ms. Ruffing, seconded by Ms. Santoline to approve Resolution 06-19 pursuant to Section 311(d)(1) of Act 1 that the Clairton City School District will not raise the rate of any tax for 2020-21, by more than the adjusted Index of 4.1% calculated by PDE, as submitted.

Roll Call:

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| Richard Livingston | Yes |
| Artrena McKenzie | Yes |
| Barbara Roberts | Yes |
| Gloria Ruffing | Yes |
| Kathy Santoline | Yes |
| Roger Tachoir | Yes |
| Lawrence Carra | Yes |
| Rikell Ford | Yes |
| Felix Fusco | Yes |

Roll Call Vote: 9 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Absent 0 Abstentions APPROVED

Athletic Agenda

Athletic Committee – Mr. Carra, Chairperson

ON MOTION made by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Ms. McKenzie, the Board of Directors, by non-roll call vote, approved the following items designated A. through C.

- A. Board ratified the employment of Martha Disman, as Ticket Taker and Ticket Seller in accordance with the terms of the agreement between the District and the Clairton Education Association (CEA).
- B. Board ratified acceptance of the helmet donation from Clairton Bear Football Facebook Page at a value of \$9,100.00 and safety certified by Century Sports.
- C. Board approved subscribing to the services of VNN, an online high school athletics platform that would supplement our existing website with a one-time set-up fee of \$500.00 and will be partially offset by advertising revenue.

Non-Roll Call Vote: 9 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Absent 0 Abstentions APPROVED

XII. MOTION made by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Ms. Ruffing, at 7:26 p.m. to ADJOURN.

Respectfully submitted:

Gayle S. Colonna
Secretary to the Board