

CLAIRTON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board of Directors

Legislative Meeting Minutes

October 23, 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

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

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

IV. Approval of the Minutes – September 25, 2019

MOTION made by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Ms. McKenzie, to approve the Minutes of the September 25, 2019 Legislative Meeting.

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

V. Presentations:

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

- *Ms. Gloria Ruffing and Mr. Roger Tachoir were recognized for their long-term service as school board directors; Ms. Ruffing, 8 years and Mr. Tachoir, 16 years. Dr. Ginny Hunt presented each of them with Honor Roll of School Board Service certificates on behalf of PSBA as the association's way of saying thank you to those individuals who exemplify leadership by giving unselfishly of their time and talents for the betterment of the public schools serving students across the great commonwealth.*

VI. Reports:

A. Administration – Dr. Hunt stated the Administration is working on aspects of the School Improvement Plans and Friday, October 25, 2019 staff will participate in morning professional development sessions.

B. Solicitor's Report – No report

C. Board Committees:

- Personnel** – No Report
- Finance** – No Report
- Curriculum/Technology** – No Report
- Building & Grounds** – No Report
- Athletics** – No Report
- Recreation** – No Report
- Land Bank** – No Report
- Steel Center** – Meeting November 5th

VII. Citizens Comments – None

VIII. Treasurer's Reports – September 2019

MOTION made by Mr. Tachoir, seconded by Ms. Roberts, to approve the Treasurer's Reports for the month of September 2019.

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

IX. Payment of Bills – October 2019

MOTION made by Ms. Ford, seconded by Ms. Santoline to approve the Payment of Bills for the month of October 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 Mr. Livingston, seconded by Ms. Ruffing to approve the use of the batting cages and elementary gymnasium by Clairton Little League Baseball Association on Tuesdays and Thursdays commencing November 7, 2019 through March 26, 2020 from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM. Mr. Dane Dusi is responsible for this program. All fees have been waived.

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

B. **MOTION** made by Ms. Santoline, seconded by Ms. Ruffing to ratify Morgan Fusco as Elementary Special Education Paraprofessional, in accordance with the District/CESP Agreement, effective October 18, 2019.

Roll Call:

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

Roll Call Vote: 8 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Absent 1 Abstentions APPROVED

C. **MOTION** made by Mr. Tachoir, seconded by Ms. McKenzie to ratify Lauren Moore as Elementary Special Education Paraprofessional, in accordance with the District/CESP Agreement, effective October 18, 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 E.

- A. Board accepted the resignation of Nicole Baker, Paraprofessional, effective October 14, 2019.
- B. Board ratified the employment of Imara Grant, School Psychologist in accordance with the terms and conditions of the agreement between the District and Act 93, effective October 7, 2019.
- C. Board awarded tenure to Rebecca Pecora who has achieved three consecutive satisfactory years of service with the District and obtained Level II Certification.
- D. Board ratified Laurence Robinson, student at Steel Center, to serve a co-op with the Technology Department on Wednesdays from 7:30 AM – 10:00 AM commencing October 2, 2019.
- E. Board approved Dorothy Rigby, School Counseling student at Duquesne University to serve a field internship with Maureen Shaw, Guidance Counselor, commencing in the Spring of 2020, at no cost to the district.

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

Curriculum Committee – Ms. Roberts, Chairperson

ON MOTION made by Ms. Santoline, seconded by Ms. Ruffing, the Board of Directors, by non-roll call vote, approved the following items designated F. through R.

- F. Board approved the second reading of Policy #004 – Membership, to reflect requirements from Act 55 of 2017 and new amendments to Section 328 of the PA School Code, as recommended.
- G. Board approved the second reading of Policy #201 – Admission of Students, streamlined to primarily focus on the age requirements for admission to first grade and Kindergarten set by the District in compliance with state law regulations, as mandated by PA School Code for academic year 2020/2021.

- H. Board approved the second reading of Policy #204 – Attendance, updated to reflect the new compulsory school age definition for academic year 2020/2021 in compliance with state law regulations.
- I. Board approved the second reading of Policy #208 – Withdrawal from School, updated to reflect the new compulsory school age definition for academic year 2020/2021 in compliance with state law regulations.
- J. Board approved the second reading of Policy #209 – Health Examinations/Screenings, updated to reflect revisions of state regulations and exceptions in accordance with Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), as necessary for legal liability purposes.
- K. Board approved the second reading of Policy# 808 – Food Services, updated to address Omnibus Bill amendments which revised PA School Code 24 Sec 13-1337 regarding provisions for alternative meals, as required for auditing purposes.
- L. Board approved the Memorandum of Understanding between Duquesne University School of Pharmacy and Clairton City School District to facilitate the provision of Asthma Screenings, Asthma Clinic, and Asthma & Food Allergy Education for students in the District through Provider’s personnel and its independent contractors, as submitted.
- M. Board approved the Alternative Education Program; Educational Services Agreement between the District and Allegheny Intermediate Unit (AIU) to provide alternative special education and regular education services in accordance with the AIU, Community East plan the for 2019/2020 school year, as submitted.
- N. Board approved entering into an agreement with Catapult Learning, LLC to provide Title I Instructional and Family Engagement services at Walnut Grove Christian School at a cost not to exceed \$5,209.00 for (6) Clairton students during the 2019/2020 school year, as submitted. To be paid from Title I funds 2019/2020.
- O. Board approved entering into an agreement with Allegheny Intermediate Unit to provide Title I Instructional and Family Engagement services at St. Elizabeth, Mary of Nazareth and Serra Catholic at a cost not to exceed \$5,209.00 for (6) Clairton students during the 2019/2020 school year, as submitted. To be paid from Title I funds 2019/2020.
- P. Board approved the settlement agreement and release by and between the Clairton City School District and parents and legal guardians of student A for placement at an approved private school in a full time life skills classroom beginning the 2019-2020 school year and provide transportation for this placement, as submitted.

- Q. Board approved Dr. Ginny Hunt to attend Culturally Responsive Teaching and the Brain: Foundations Seminar to be held on November 4 – 6, 2019 at Queens University of Charlotte, Charlotte, NC. Workshop registration fees and travel expenses to be paid by IDEA Funds.
- R. Board approved Britnee Nwokeji to attend PA Family Support Alliance Training to be held on November 6 – 7, 2019 at PA Family Support Alliance, Harrisburg, PA. Conference registration fees and travel expenses to be paid by the District.

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

Building and Grounds – Ms. Santoline, Chairperson

- S. **MOTION** made by Ms. Ruffing, seconded by Mr. Carra to approve, as amended, the use of the Auditorium by Moms Group for a Momologue Event: Tragic Loss scheduled rehearsal on Saturday, November 9, 2019 and event taking place Saturday, November 16, 2019 from 4:00 PM to 9:00 PM, as submitted. Ms. Tina Ford is responsible for this event. Providing security will be the responsibility of the Moms Group. All other fees have been waived.

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. and B.

- A. Board appointed Larry Nicolette as Delegate to the Allegheny County Southwest Tax Collection District (ACSWTCD).
- B. Board approved the Allegheny Intermediate Unit (AIU) to coordinate the mailing for 2019 Homestead/Farmstead exclusion notification at a cost of \$.749 per eligible homeowner mailing; with a \$200 minimum and \$2.00 per thousand fee assessed to run the address lists through NCOA.

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

Athletic Agenda
No Athletic Agenda

XII. MOTION made by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Ms. Santoline, at 7:25 p.m. to ADJOURN.

Respectfully submitted:

Gayle S. Colonna
Secretary to the Board