

CLAIRTON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board of Directors

Legislative Meeting Minutes

June 25, 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	Absent (<i>Personal</i>)	
Felix Fusco	Present	
Richard Livingston	Present	
Artrena McKenzie	Present	
Barbara Roberts	Present	
Gloria Ruffing	Present	
Kathy Santoline	Present	
Roger Tachoir	Present	
Board of Directors:	8 Present	1 Absent

III. Salute to the Flag

IV. Approval of the Minutes – May 22, 2019

MOTION made by Ms. Ruffing, seconded by Ms. Santoline, to approve the Minutes of the May 22, 2019 Legislative Meeting.

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

V. Presentations: None

VI. Reports:

A. Administration – *Dr. Hunt briefed the Board in the areas of recent release of test scores, indicating growth in the elementary; the decision to eliminate the Title II Instructional Math Coach position for 2019/2020 school year based on decrease of Title II funding and no*

significant measure of growth in math test scores; and the Administration to move forward utilizing newly defined and allocated Title IV monies towards Safe and Well-Rounded Schools, which will be reflected in the schools A-TSI Improvement Plan.

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** – Met on June 17th
- f) **Recreation** – No Report
- g) **Land Bank** – No Report
- h) **Steel Center** – No Report

VII. Citizens Comments – None

VIII. Treasurer's Reports – May 2019

MOTION made by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Ms. Ruffing, to approve the Treasurer's Reports for the month of May 2019.

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

IX. Payment of Bills – June 2019

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

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

X. Old Business – No Old Business

XI. New Business –

A. **MOTION** made by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Mr. Carra to accept the resignation of Paige Ponsonby, Secondary Biology Teacher, effective June 24, 2019.

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

Administrative Agenda

Personnel Committee – Mr. Livingston, 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 A. and B.

- A. Board approved Edward Ulmer as Social Studies teacher for the Summer Citizenship Class to be held on Monday's beginning June 24 through July 15, 2019 at a rate of \$25.00 per hour for teachers. Expenses to be paid by the District.
- B. Board approved Amanda Lommock as Credit Recovery teacher for the Summer Credit Recovery Classes to be held daily beginning July 1 through July 28, 2019 at a rate of \$25.00 per hour for teachers. Expenses to be paid with School Improvement Grant funds.

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

Curriculum Committee – Ms. Roberts, Chairperson

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

- C. Board approved to conduct a Summer Citizenship Class in coordination with our District Magistrate for the appropriate students that participated in the March 25th walkout. The sessions will be held on June 24, July 1, July 8 and July 15, 2019 from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. Expenses to be paid by the District, as submitted.
- D. Board approved to conduct Summer Credit Recovery Classes for MS/HS students through the District Cyber School Platform from Wednesday, July 1 through Wednesday, July 28 from 7:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. Expenses to be paid by the District, as submitted.
- E. Board approved the second reading of Policy #150 – Title I – Comparability of Services mandated for those school entities received Title I funds, as submitted.
- F. Board approved the second reading of Policy #220 – Student Expression/Distribution and Posting of Materials recommended for legal liability purposes, as submitted.
- G. Board approved the second reading of Policy #335 – Family and Medical Leaves recommended for legal liability purposes, as submitted.

- H. Board approved the second reading of Policy #702.1 – Crowdfunding as a newly developed policy based on interest and recommended best practices, as submitted.
- I. Board approved the second reading of Policy #913 – Non-school Organizations/ Groups/Individuals recommended for legal liability purposes, as submitted.
- J. Board ratified Sara Hoffman and Tom McCloskey to attend the 22nd Annual Dr. Samuel Francis School Law Symposium and Special Education Workshop to be held June 20, 2019 at the Edgewood Country Club. Registration Fees of \$150/each and travel expenses to be paid by the District.
- K. Board approved Sara Hoffman to attend the Special Education Leadership Academy to be held July 22 - 25, 2019 at the Bedford Springs Conference Center. Registration and travel expenses to be paid by the District.

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

Building and Grounds – Ms. Santoline, Chairperson

ON MOTION made by Ms. Ruffing, seconded by Ms. Roberts, the Board of Directors, by non-roll call vote, approved the following items designated L. through O.

- L. Board ratified the use of the gymnasium, practice field next to the playground and weight room on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning June 10 through August 9, 2019 for the Summer Training of the Football Team, as submitted. The gymnasium is only requested use on Mondays. A request for the practice field to be lined. Coach Wayne Wade is responsible for this program. All fees have been waived.
- M. Board approved the use of the practice field next to the playground by Clairton Youth Football Association (CYFA) on Mondays through Fridays beginning July 1 through November 15, 2019 from 5:00 PM to 7:30 PM for practice games, as submitted. Coach Jeffery Thompson is responsible for this program. All fees have been waived.
- N. Board approved the use of the stadium, concession stands, sound system and score board by Clairton Youth Football Association (CYFA) on Saturdays, August 1 through November 16, 2019 from 7:00 AM to 6:00 PM, as submitted. Coach Jeffery Thompson is responsible for this program. All fees have been waived.
- O. Board approved to enter into an Agreement by and between the Clairton City School District and The American Red Cross permitting the use of the Clairton Education Center as a shelter site for disaster victims, as submitted.

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

Business Administrator’s Agenda

Finance Committee – Mr. Tachoir, Chairperson

A. **MOTION** made by Mr. Livingston, seconded by Ms. Roberts to adopt the Proposed Final Budget for the General Fund of the Clairton City School District for the 2019-20 fiscal year with millage rates of 83.6363 for Land, 7.8060 for Buildings, Revenues of \$16,648,421 and Expenditures of \$17,038,240 and a deficit of \$389,819 and the use of \$389,819 of the Unassigned Fund Balance and other Tax rates and amounts remaining unchanged, as follows:

- a. Earned Income rate of .005 (1/2 percent)
- b. Business Privilege Tax of .006 (6 mills)
- c. Mercantile Tax on Retail of .00075 (3/4 mill) and Mercantile Tax on Wholesale .0005 (1/2 mill)
- d. \$5.00 per person for Local Services Tax

Roll Call:

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

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

ON MOTION made by Ms. Santoline, seconded by Ms. McKenzie, the Board of Directors, by non-roll call vote, approved the following items designated B. through M.

- B. Board approved the Resolution 04-19 authorizing the District to reduce Homestead property taxes by an amount of \$466,843.90 to be received from the Commonwealth from gaming funds under the provisions of the Homestead Property Exclusion Program Act and the Taxpayers Relief Act, as submitted.
- C. Board approved to enter into Tax Lien Sale with Municipal Revenue Service, as submitted.

- D. Board authorized the Business Administrator to make all necessary budget transfers resulting from adjusting journal entries and local audit reclassifications subsequent to June 30, 2019. When such transfers are made, adequate details will be provided to the Board.
- E. Board approved the Business Administrator to pay necessary bills prior to the next Board meeting in lieu of a scheduled July 2019 meeting.
- F. Board approved to renew commercial insurance coverage with CM Regent for a total package price of \$59,043, as submitted.
- G. Board approved to enter into an Addendum to the Standard Security Service Agreement with Valentis Security Services, Inc., as submitted.
- H. Board approved to grant authority to Business Administrator to take necessary steps to secure a \$2,000,000 Tax Anticipation Note for the 2019-2020 Fiscal Year, as submitted.
- I. Board approved to award bids for Athletic Supplies for 2019-2020 school year, as amended.
- J. Board approved Voluntary Student Accident Coverage and Mandatory Interscholastic Sports Coverage as provided by AXIS Insurance Company, as submitted.
- K. Board approved Business Consultant Agreement with Pittsburgh Education Consulting, LLC in the amount of \$ 2% of the total 2019-2020 Title IA, Title, IIA, Title IVA allocation. It is estimated that the cost of the contract will be \$14,815.82.
- L. Board approved an annually renewable Contract of Services with Pennsylvania Educators' Clearinghouse (PA-Educator.net) and Clairton City School District to accept online applications for employment by professional and non-certified employees for the period beginning July 1, 2019 and ending June 30 of any calendar year, with a fee in the amount of \$1,300.00 per school year, as submitted.
- M. Board ratified Coach Wade to use the school van to travel to Penn State on Saturday, June 15, University of Pittsburgh on Saturday, June 22, Uniontown on Saturday June 29, and Elizabeth on Wednesday, July 10, 2019. This is an outside group and they are responsible for all expenses.

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

Athletic Agenda
No Athletic Agenda

XII. MOTION made by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Ms. Santoline, at 7:37 p.m. to ADJOURN.

Respectfully submitted:

Gayle S. Colonna
Secretary to the Board