

CLAIRTON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board of Directors

Legislative Meeting Minutes

February 27, 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 7:01 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	Absent (<i>Personal</i>)	
Board of Directors:	8 Present	1 Absent

III. Salute to the Flag

IV. Approval of the Minutes – January 23, 2019

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

Non-Roll Call Vote: 8 Ayes 0 Nays 1 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. Marshall, Principal K-12/PIMS*

- *Ms. Sharon Myers, Executive Director of Children of Promise Multipurpose Development Center, Inc. addressed the Board in regards to the Children of Promise After-School Program and purpose being to meet the needs of children that are academically at risk in the community.*

The After-School Program will reinforce reading, math and writing skills as well as completing homework and school assignments in collaboration with teachers in the District. Computer Programming (coding), Academic Support and Extra-Curricular enrichment activities will be provided to students.

The Board of Directors voiced their support in favor of the Children of Promise After-School Program for the community. A letter of support from the Superintendent will be sent on behalf of the Clairton City School District.

VI. Reports:

A. Administration – Dr. Hunt shared several items as information: positive outcomes from the MS/HS bullying discussion groups that met with Ms. Shaw and Ms. Bendick; 3rd Grade’s Friday kick-off Celebration of Black History Month; and plans to increase positive public relations on Facebook. Mr. Livingston added there was encouraging feedback from the meetings the HS Principal and Police Chief conducted with the students involved with vandalism.

B. Solicitor’s Report – No report

C. Board Committees:

- Personnel** – No Report
- Finance** – No Report
- Curriculum/Technology** – No Report
- Building & Grounds** – No Report
- Recreation** – No Report
- Athletics** – No Report
- Land Bank** – Meeting March 7, 2019

At this time Dr. Hunt announced that on Friday, March 1st the Cyber School will officially move into 501 Mitchell Avenue.

VII. Citizens Comments – Ms. Alicia Knight, 844 3rd Street, requested to speak. Ms. Knight indicated the topic was test scores and school rank in the state. Ms. Knight asked what plans the District had for improvements to become more competitive. Dr. Hunt and Mr. Livingston stated areas where the District was working with the state, such as creating an Improvement Plan and needs assessment specifically to target our struggling sub-groups. Changes in requirements, such as Portrait of a Graduate were noted and the Board of

Directors and Administration’s involvement with Schools That Succeed. Mr. Livingston assured Ms. Knight the District is actively working on avenues to improve and offered invitation for her to speak further with Dr. Hunt about curriculum concerns.

VIII. Treasurer’s Reports – January 2019

MOTION made by Ms. Ford, seconded by Ms. Roberts, to approve the Treasurer’s Reports for the month of January 2019.

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

IX. Payment of Bills – February 2019

MOTION made by Ms. Santoline, seconded by Ms. Ruffing, to approve the Payment of Bills for the month of February 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 Mr. Fusco, seconded by Mr. Carra to approve the Agreement of Compromise, Settlement and Release, by and between the Estate of Robert Metzinger and Clairton City School District, as submitted.

Roll Call:

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

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

- B. **MOTION** made by Ms. Ford, seconded by Ms. McKenzie to approve Corey Wright, as a Volunteer Coach for the 2019/2020 football season.

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

- C. **MOTION** made by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Ms. Ford to approve Dawn Rees, CCAC undergraduate, to perform a field study social-work research project by developing and conducting a needs assessment within the Clairton City School District.

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

Administrative Agenda

Personnel Committee – Mr. Livingston, Chairperson

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

- A. Board ratified Sheila Parker as Long-Term Substitute for the temporary Middle Level English vacancy at the standard LTS daily rate of \$200/day, effective February 4, 2019 through the remainder of the 2018/2019 school year.
- B. Board accepted the resignation of Shelia Parker, LTS- Middle Level English vacancy, effective February 8, 2019.
- C. Board accepted the resignation of Amanda Lommock, Homebound Instructor, effective January 18, 2019.
- D. Board ratified Christopher McConnell, as Middle Level English Teacher at Step-9 Bachelors in accordance with the terms and conditions of the agreement between the District and Clairton Education Association (CEA), effective February 11, 2019.

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

- E. **MOTION** made by Ms. McKenzie, seconded by Mr. Carra to approve the hourly rate for the Substitute Secretary position at \$11.00 per hour, effective March 1, 2019.

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

F. **MOTION** made by Ms. Ruffing, seconded by Mr. Carra to approve the hourly rate for the Athletic Secretary position at \$26.50 per hour, effective July 1, 2019.

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

ON MOTION made by Ms. Santoline, seconded by Ms. Ruffing, the Board of Directors, by non-roll call vote, approved the following items designated G. and H.

G. Board approved the Memorandum of Understanding between Lori Benack and the District for maintaining the student activity funds, as submitted.

H. Board approved the Memorandum of Understanding, as submitted.

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

I. **MOTION** made by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Ms. McKenzie to ratify a change in the District Calendar to reflect closures due to extremely cold weather, make-up days as submitted for approval to PDE.

Closed	Make-up Day	Information
January 30, 2019	April 24, 2019	Holiday / Snow Make-Up Day
January 31, 2019	February 8, 2019	Teacher In-Service Day – changed to school day for students
February 1, 2019	February 18, 2019	Holiday / Snow Make-Up Day
February 20, 2019	April 23, 2019	Holiday / Snow Make-Up Day

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

J. **MOTION** made by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Mr. Carra to approve a disciplinary agreement made December 3, 2018 by and between the Clairton City School District and Student B charged with violations of the District's Code of Student Conduct, as submitted.

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

Curriculum Committee – Ms. Roberts, Chairperson

ON MOTION made by Ms. Ford, seconded by Ms. Santoline, the Board of Directors, by non-roll call vote, approved the following items designated K. through T.

- K. Board approved the first reading of Policy#103 – Nondiscrimination/Discriminatory Harassment – School Classroom Practices, satisfying mandates for required language on nondiscrimination and harassment, as submitted.
- L. Board approved the first reading of Policy#103.1 – Nondiscrimination – Qualified Students with Disabilities recommended for legal liability purposes, as submitted.
- M. Board approved the first reading of Policy#104 –Nondiscrimination/Discriminatory Harassment – Employment Practices satisfying mandates for required language on nondiscrimination and harassment, as submitted.
- N. Board approved the first reading of Policy#222 – Tobacco/Nicotine recommended for legal liability purposes, as submitted.
- O. Board approved the first reading of Policy#247 – Hazing mandated by Federal/State Law, as submitted.
- P. Board approved the first reading of Policy#249 – Bullying/Cyberbullying mandated by Federal/State Law, as submitted.
- Q. Board approved the first reading of Policy#323 – Tobacco/Nicotine mandated by Federal/State Law, as submitted.
- R. Board approved the first reading of Policy#707 – Use of School Facilities in accordance with the Pennsylvania School Code, 24 P.S. Sec. 510.2 recommended for legal liability purposes, as submitted.
- S. Board approved the first reading of Policy#904 – Public Attendance at School Events in accordance with the Pennsylvania School Code, 24 P.S. Sec. 510.2 recommended for legal liability purposes, as submitted.
- T. Board approved Kevin Danchik to attend the 2019 Pennsylvania Music Educators Association / NAFME Eastern Division Annual In-Service Conference held April 4 – 5, 2019 at the David Lawrence Convention Center, Pittsburgh, PA. Registration fees 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

- U. **MOTION** made by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Ms. McKenzie to ratify the use of the gymnasium by Clairton Youth Football on Sundays, January 20, 2019 through April 28, 2019 from 12:00 PM to 5:00 PM for basketball practice. Clairton Youth Football is

responsible for proper maintenance of the areas used. Mr. Jeffery Thompson is in charge. All fees have been waived.

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 Ms. Roberts, seconded by Ms. Santoline to approve Resolution Authorizing the Participation in and Appointment of Representatives to the Allegheny Intermediate Unit Joint Purchasing Program. Further, it is requested that the board appoint Larry Nicolette as Primary Representative and Ginny Hunt as Alternate Representative. *Note: Resolution continues participation in Joint Purchasing Agreement from prior year.*

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

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

- B. Board approved renewal lease agreement for Miller Avenue School Annex between Clairton City School District and Allegheny Intermediate Unit Head Start Program in the amount of \$20,400 per year, as submitted.
- C. Board approved Title I Non-Public School Agreements between Clairton City School District and Allegheny Intermediate Unit for Non-Public Instructional services and Non-Public Parent Involvement services, as submitted.
- D. Board approved Service Agreement between Bigs Sanitation, Inc. and Clairton City School District, as submitted.
- E. Board approved the Business Office to advertise for bids where necessary for instructional supplies and equipment, general school supplies and equipment, custodial supplies and equipment and athletic supplies and equipment for the 2019-2020 school year.

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

Athletic Agenda

Athletic Committee – Mr. Carra, Chairperson

- A. **MOTION** made by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Ms. Ford **TO TABLE** approval of Anthony St. Angelo, as Varsity Assistant Coach (Offensive Coordinator) for the 2019/2020 Varsity Football season.

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

- B. **MOTION** made by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Ms. Santoline to approve Andrew Rossi, as Varsity Assistant Coach (Offensive Line/Defensive Line) for the 2019/2020 Varsity Football season.

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

- C. **MOTION** made by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Ms. Ruffing to approve Wayne Wade, Jr., Anthony St. Angelo, Remondo Williams, John DeMarco, Andrew Rossi, Jeff Thompson and Lance Cash to attend the Nike Coach of the Year Clinic held February 22, 2019 through February 24, 2019 at Double Tree by Hilton, Pittsburgh, PA at a cost of \$460.00 to be paid from District funds.

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

- D. **MOTION** made by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Ms. Ruffing to approve Edward Ulmer to attend PSADA Conference held March 22, 2019 through March 25, 2019 at the Hershey Lodge and Convention Center, Hershey, PA. Registration fees and travel expenses to be paid from District funds.

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

- XII. MOTION made by Ms. Ruffing, seconded by Ms. Santoline, at 7:47 p.m. to ADJOURN.**

Respectfully submitted:

Gayle S. Colonna
Secretary to the Board