

CLAIRTON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board of Directors
Legislative Meeting Minutes
November 26, 2016
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

William Bradford	Present
Lawrence Carra	Absent (<i>Personal</i>)
Gloria James	Present
Richard Livingston	Present
Barbara Roberts	Absent (<i>Personal</i>)
Gloria Ruffing	Present
Kathy Santoline	Present
Roger Tachoir	Present
Jennifer Williams	Absent (<i>Personal</i>)

Board of Directors: 6 Present 3 Absent

III. Salute to the Flag

IV. Approval of the Minutes – October 26, 2016

MOTION made by Ms. Ruffing, seconded by Ms. James, to approve the Minutes of the October 26, 2016 Legislative meeting.

Non-Roll Call Vote: 6 Ayes 0 Nays 3 Absent 0 Abstentions APPROVED

V. Presentations:

- *Brandon Ziats from Youth Opportunities Development (YOD), presented the Board with information regarding the December Operation Warm Project within the Clairton Education Center. Through this project warm coats will be provided to the entire 2nd grade class. Mr. Ziats stated students in this grade were absent frequently last year during the winter months. The youth Leadership Team selected this as an issue for the group to address in collaboration with Operation Warm. Leadership member, Jade McDougald accompanying Mr. Ziats was recognized by Mr. Livingston for his recent travel to Copenhagen, Denmark to represent YOD at a 3-day Positive Deviance Conference.*

- *Dr. Alan Axelson, InterCare and Gail Killmeyer, Challenge By Choice presented the Board with information regarding the PAX/Good Behavior Game being initiated in the Elementary School. Dr. Axelson stated PAX combines science with the Good Behavior Game. PAX teaches students to learn self-regulation, self-control and self-management while collaborating with others for Peace, Productivity, Health and Happiness. According to Ms. Killmeyer, PAX makes classrooms fun for learning. First grade teacher, Ms. Marnell shared with the Board the impact PAX has made in her classroom and also the positive feedback from parents.*
- *Elementary Students of the Month were recognized by the Board as they were presented certificates from Mrs. Maurizio, Elementary Principal.*

VI. Reports

A. Administration – Dr. Hunt recapped the Evacuation Drill that took place on Monday, November 21st. The Board was reminded of the early dismissal for staff and students, Wednesday, November 22nd.

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

VII. Citizens Comments – None

VIII. Treasurer's Report – October 2016

MOTION made by Mr. Bradford, seconded by Ms. Santoline, to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month of October 2016.

Non-Roll Call Vote: 6 Ayes 0 Nays 3 Absent 0 Abstentions APPROVED

IX. Payment of Bills – November 2016

MOTION made by Ms. Santoline, seconded by Ms. James, to approve the Payment of Bills for the month of November 2016.

Non-Roll Call Vote: 6 Ayes 0 Nays 3 Absent 0 Abstentions APPROVED

X. Old Business –

Mr. Livingston addressed the topic of Crossing Guards with the Board. The Clairton City School District and Clairton City will enter into an agreement with SSIS for the provision of crossing guards and training of the guards. Collaboration between the School District and City will take place moving forward with hiring of appropriate staff. The District will advertise for Crossing Guards under employment opportunities on the district website.

Mr. Livingston announced the WPIAL Championship, Class A - Clairton vs Jeanette, to be held at Robert Morris University on Saturday at noon. The game will be streamed online by MSA Sports. Admittance to fans will be for one game only.

XI. New Business

- A. **MOTION** made by Mr. Livingston, seconded by Ms. Ruffing, to approve the filing of 125 liens on behalf of the District by The Law Offices of Patricia McGrail for the tax years 2012-2015 for non-Municipal or non-authority properties that have unpaid balances exceeding \$1,500.00, at a cost of \$20.00 per lien, and a total cost of \$2,500.00.

Non-Roll Call Vote: 6 Ayes 0 Nays 3 Absent 0 Abstentions APPROVED

Administrative Agenda**Personnel Committee – Mr. Livingston, Chairperson**

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

- A. Board ratified the employment of Jennifer Yuhas as Secondary English Teacher, effective November 7, 2016 at Step 7 – Masters in accordance with the terms of the agreement between the District and the Clairton Education Association (CEA).
- B. Board ratified the employment of Juanita Williams as Paraprofessional, effective November 15, 2016 in accordance with the terms of the agreement between the District and the Clairton Education Support Professionals (CESP).
- C. Board ratified the employment of Kameron Townes as Paraprofessional, effective November 22, 2016 in accordance with the terms of the agreement between the District and the Clairton Education Support Professionals (CESP).

Non-Roll Call Vote: 6 Ayes 0 Nays 3 Absent 0 Abstentions APPROVED

Curriculum Committee – Ms. James Chairperson

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

- D. Board ratified Renee Goldsmith to attend Pittsburgh World Language Connection Day 2016 on November 8, 2016 at Fox Chapel Area School District, Pittsburgh, PA. Registration fees and travel expenses to be paid from Title I School Intervention Grant funds 2015-2016.
- E. Board ratified Tom McCloskey, Carrie Auld and Maria Suss to attend the Restorative Justice Conference on November 14-17, 2016 at the IIRP Campus, Bethlehem, PA. Registration fees and travel expenses to be paid from Title I School Intervention Grant funds 2015-2016.
- F. Board approved Dr. Hunt and Tom McCloskey to attend the SAS Institute – Priority and Focus Schools Leadership Academy on December 7, 2016 at the Hershey Lodge and Convention Center in Hershey, PA. Travel expenses to be paid from Title I School Intervention Grant funds 2015-2016.
- G. Board approved Cheryl Bowser and Stacie Baur to attend the Math Design Collaborative Train the Trainer workshop on December 13th and December 15th at the Capital Area Intermediate Unit (IU15) in Enola, PA. Registration fees and travel expenses to be paid from Title I funds.
- H. Board approved the District Level Comprehensive Plan for July 01, 2017 through June 30, 2020, as submitted.

Non-Roll Call Vote: 6 Ayes 0 Nays 3 Absent 0 Abstentions APPROVED

Business Administrator's AgendaFinance Committee – Mr. Tachoir, 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 A. through I.

- A. Board approved to authorize the Clairton City School District to participate in a Joint Purchasing Board with other school districts in the Allegheny Intermediate Unit for bulk purchasing of school supplies and authorizing the proper officers of the Board to

execute the Joint Purchasing Agreement and naming Ms. Hamsini Rajgopal as its regular member and Ms. Lori Benack as the alternate member.

- B. Board approved the Allegheny Intermediate Unit (AIU) to coordinate the mailing for 2016 Homestead/Farmstead exclusion notification at a cost of \$0.699 per eligible homeowner mailing; and additional service fee of \$150.00 and \$2.00 per thousand fee for address lists, as submitted.
- C. Board approved assessment reduction/duplicate payments due to the Allegheny County Official change orders on properties from 2013 through 2016 in the amount of \$7,473.20, as submitted.
- D. Board approved the purchase of a conveyor type dishwasher Model No. Admiral 44-4 from Ward Restaurant Equipment at PA COSTAR contract price of \$23,725.00 and installation price of \$5,697.00, as submitted.
- E. Board approved the purchase of Black Cat 18 FMS wet/dry machine in the amount of \$559.90, as submitted.
- F. Board approved the purchase of Generac Pressure Washing in the amount of \$273.34, as submitted.
- G. Board approved a rental agreement with Mr. John for 2017 rentals in the Neil C. Brown stadium at a weekly rate of \$175.00 which is unchanged from 2016 rental agreement, as submitted.
- H. Board approved payment of bills by the Business Office through the month of December.
- I. Board approved an agreement with Parcel No: 879-M-317, as submitted.

Non-Roll Call Vote: 6 Ayes 0 Nays 3 Absent 0 Abstentions APPROVED

Athletic Agenda

No Athletic Agenda

The Board went into an executive session at 7:39 p.m. to discuss personnel issues.

The meeting reconvened at 8:08 p.m.

XII. MOTION made by Ms. Santoline, seconded by Ms. Ruffing, at 8:09 p.m. to ADJOURN.

Respectfully submitted:

Gayle S. Colonna
Secretary to the Board