

# CLAIRTON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board of Directors  
Legislative Meeting Minutes  
September 23, 2015  
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      | Present   |                |
| Gloria James        | Present   |                |
| Richard Livingston  | Present   |                |
| Barbara Roberts     | Present   |                |
| Gloria Ruffing      | Present   |                |
| Kathy Santoline     | Present   |                |
| Roger Tachoir       | Present   |                |
| Jennifer Williams   | Present   | <i>(Phone)</i> |
| Board of Directors: | 9 Present | 0 Absent       |

## III. Salute to the Flag

**The Board went into an Executive Session to discuss personnel matters at 7:02 p.m. The meeting reconvened at 7:07 p.m.**

## IV. Approval of the Minutes – August 29, 2015

**MOTION** made by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Mr. Tachoir, to approve the Minutes of the August 29, 2015 meeting.

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

## V. Presentations: School-Based Behavior Health (SBBH), Wesley Spectrum Services

*Dr. Hunt introduced Lindsay Brain from Wesley Spectrum who briefed the Board of Directors on the program and services provided collaboratively between Wesley Spectrum Services and Community Care Behavioral Health. This school-based program provides individual and group interventions as well as clinical services to children and families in the home, school and community.*

## VI. Reports

*Mr. Livingston stated that committee meetings have been initiated for the purpose of review and discussion in the preparation of upcoming board meeting agendas. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, October 13<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 a.m.*

**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** – Mr. Livingston mentioned the ongoing updates on the stadium bleachers, with the support of a Home Depot grant.

e) **Recreation** – No Report

f) **Athletics** – No Report

**VII. Citizens Comments** – Mr. Chris Smith, 421 Glenn Street, Clairton, PA 15025 requested to speak. Mr. Smith indicated that the topic was regarding the location of a bus stop for his daughter to be picked-up and transported to a charter school. Mr. Livingston informed him that the board would listen to his concerns and a response in writing will be mailed to his address.

## VIII. Treasurer's Report – August, 2015

**MOTION** made by Mr. Tachoir, seconded by Ms. Roberts, to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month of August, 2015.

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

## IX. Payment of Bills – September, 2015

**MOTION** made by Mr. Carra, seconded by Ms. Santoline, to approve the Payment of Bills for the month of September, 2015.

**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. Tachoir, seconded by Ms. Santoline, to approve adjusting the starting time to 5:30 PM for the Wednesday, October 28, 2015 Legislative Board meeting and to properly advertise.

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

*Mr. Livingston shared a drafted letter to be sent home with all students addressing the school district’s stadium admittance policy for football games. He noted that any student in grade six or below must be accompanied by a parent or guardian at all home football games. Staff will be strategically located in the stadium to monitor students in order to enforce this policy. In-school announcements will be made, a notice will be placed in The Daily News and on the district website. A sign will also be posted at the entrance of the stadium.*

**Administrative Agenda**

Personnel Committee – Mr. Livingston, Chairperson

- A. **MOTION** made by Ms. Ruffing, seconded by Ms. Roberts, to approve casting votes for the following candidates as PSBA officers:

|                 |                 |
|-----------------|-----------------|
| President Elect | Mary Birks      |
| Vice President  | Robert Schwartz |

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

- B. **MOTION** made by Ms. James, seconded by Mr. Tachoir, to ratify the acceptance of the resignation of Nichole Matthews as Secondary Mathematics Teacher, effective September 11, 2015.

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

- C. **MOTION** made by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Ms. James, to approve the acceptance of the resignation of Samantha Betta as Middle School Science Teacher, effective September 25, 2015.

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

- D. **MOTION** made by Ms. Williams, seconded by Ms. Santoline, to ratify the employment of Rene Manges, Secondary Mathematics Teacher, effective September 8, 2015 at Step 1 – Bachelors+15 in accordance with the terms of the agreement between the District and the Clairton Education Association. (CEA). *(Pending Clearances)*

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

- E. **MOTION** made by Mr. Carra, seconded by Ms. James, to approve the individuals listed on the 2015/2016 Day-to-Day Substitute Employee List, as submitted. *(Pending Clearances)*

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

- F. **MOTION** made by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Mr. Bradford, to award tenure to the following individuals who have achieved three consecutive satisfactory years of service with the district:

Stacie Baur  
Edward McCorvey  
Edward Ulmer

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

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

- G. Board approved the unpaid maternity leave of Nicole Holtz, 180-Day Substitute Teacher, effective October 9, 2015 through December 1, 2015.
- H. Board approved the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between the Clairton City School District and the Clairton Education Association (CEA) to remove the extracurricular activities Deck Hockey Club and the Deck Hockey Assistant and substitute with Elementary Leadership which includes two (2) sponsors for the life of the contract, as submitted.
- I. Board approved the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between the Clairton City School District and the Clairton Education Association (CEA) to increase the number of extracurricular Timekeeper—Varsity; home to two (2) for the life of the contract, as submitted.
- J. Board approved the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Clairton City School District and the Clairton Education Support Professionals (CESP) as a settlement of the grievance filed on August 3, 2015 by Clairton Education Support Paraprofessionals (CESP), as submitted.
- K. Board approved the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Clairton City School District and Clairton Education Support Professionals (CESP) regarding language to be added under Article XV Section G of the Collective Bargaining Agreement as approved by the Association and School Board pertaining to substitute Van Monitor, as submitted.

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

Curriculum Committee – Ms. James. Chairperson

- L. **MOTION** made by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Mr. Bradford, to approve a second reading of revisions to Policy #201, Admission of Students, consistent with law and regulations, as submitted.

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

- M. **MOTION** made by Mr. Livingston, seconded by Ms. Ruffing, to approve Dr. Ginny Hunt to attend the Annual Allegheny Intermediate Unit Superintendent’s Retreat on October 7 – 9, 2015 at Bedford Springs, PA. Travel expenses are to be paid by the district.

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

- N. **MOTION** made by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Mr. Tachoir, to approve the African American Male Mentoring Initiative (AAMMI Program) through NEED, a college access program, to recruit 15-17 mentees consisting of 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade students over the course of the 2015/2016 school year.

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

*Mr. Livingston thanked Ms. James for bringing this program to the district.*

**Business Administrator’s Agenda**

Business Administrator – Ms. Rajgopal

- A. **MOTION** made by Mr. Tachoir, seconded by Ms. James, to ratify the purchase of materials towards replacement, removal of bleachers and repair of the roof on the press box on the visitors’ side of Neil C. Brown Stadium in the amount of \$14,164.08, as submitted.

**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 a contract for services of Beard’s Building and Remodeling for the removal of old bleachers, install of new bleachers and repair of the press box on the visitors’ side of Neil C. Brown Stadium in the amount of \$8,900.00, as submitted.

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

- C. **MOTION** made by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Ms. James, to approve the renewal of the School Leaders Legal Liability Policy with the PSBA Insurance Trust, effective October 1, 2015 to September 30, 2016, at a renewal rate of \$12,940.00, as submitted.

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

- D. **MOTION** made by Mr. Bradford, seconded by Ms. James, to approve the services of Beard's Building and Remodeling for labor and material with the repair and renovation of the porch on the Administration Building, in the amount of \$16,900.00, as submitted.

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

- E. **MOTION** made by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Ms. James, to approve a Lease to Own financing agreement with KS State Bank for One (1) ezFlex 24"x24" CNC Router with Spindle and Controller Upgrades, One (1) Clamping Kit, One (1) Starter Bit Kit, Mastercam X8 Software and Training and Installation with equal monthly payments of \$838.59 for twenty-four (24) months.

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

### **Athletic Agenda**

#### **Athletic Committee – Mr. Bradford, Chairperson**

- A. **MOTION** made by Mr. Livingston, seconded by Ms. Roberts, ratify the approval of Niajah Wade as Time Keeper—Varsity; home football games during the 2015/2016 football season to be paid in accordance with the terms of the agreement between the District and the Clairton Education Association. (CEA). *(Pending Clearances)*

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

- B. **MOTION** made by Ms. Santoline, seconded by Mr. Carra to ratify the approval of Carlton Wade as the second Videographer for the 2015/2016 football season at a rate of \$100.00 per game. *(Pending Clearances)*

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

**XII. MOTION made by Ms. Ruffing, seconded by Ms. Santoline, at 7:39 p.m. to ADJOURN.**

Respectfully submitted:

Gayle S. Colonna  
Secretary to the Board