

CLAIRTON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board of Directors

Legislative Meeting Minutes

January 28, 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 7:07 p.m.

II. Roll Call

Paulette Bradford	Present (Phone)
Lawrence Carra	Present
Gloria James	Present
Richard Livingston	Present
Barbara Roberts	Present
Gloria Ruffing	Absent (Personal)
Roger Tachoir	Present
Kathy Santoline	Present
Jennifer Williams	Present

Board of Directors: 8 Present 1 Absent

III. Salute to the Flag

**IV. Approval of the Minutes – November 25, 2014 and
Special Legislative – December 3, 2014 and
Reorganization – December 3, 2014**

MOTION made by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Mr. Carra to approve the Minutes of the November 25, 2014, Special Legislative – December 3, 2014 and Reorganization – December 3, 2014 meetings.

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

V. Presentations:

- A. Clairton Sophomore, Lamont Wade, was recognized for his accomplishment as Daily News Football Player of the Year. Mr. Livingston congratulated him for the class and dignity he showed towards football and his studies season round. He was presented a framed picture and article taken from The Daily News.

- B. Clairton Football Coach, Wayne Wade, was recognized for his accomplishment as Daily News Football Coach of the Year. Mr. Wade was presented a framed picture and article taken from The Daily News.
- C. Kimberly (Hrezo) Ludwig, Artist and Clairton Alumni from the Class of 1985, presented the Clairton Board of Directors with an original 20x24 watercolor painting of the 2014 Clairton Bears. Ms. Ludwig stated that it would be an honor for her painting to hang in the hall of her alma mater in full support of the 2014 Bears. Coach Wade was presented forty-nine 12 x 16 prints for each player to receive at the Team Banquet.

VI. Reports

A. Administration – No Report

B. Solicitor's Report – No Report

C. Board Committees:

- a) **Personnel** – Scheduled meeting for February 18th at 5:00PM prior to the Board Work Session
- b) **Finance** - Reviewing budgetary information provided by the Business Administrator
- c) **Building & Grounds** – Walkthrough's have commenced
- d) **Curriculum/Technology** - No Report
- e) **Athletics** – No Report

VII. Citizens Comments - No Citizens Comments

VIII. Treasurer's Report – November 2014 and December 2014

MOTION made by Ms. Williams, seconded by Mr. Tachoir, to approve the Treasurer's Report for the months of November and December 2014.

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

IX. Payment of Bills – December, 2014 and January, 2015

MOTION made by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Ms. James, to approve the Payment of Bills for the months of December 2014 and January, 2015.

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

- X. Old Business** – Mr. Livingston reported that the Board of Directors met for the purpose of evaluating the Superintendent, Dr. Ginny Hunt and found that she has achieved a proficient rating in all the goals and objectives put forth by the Board. They commend her in the area of student achievement and in her dedication to putting the child first.

XI. New Business –

- A. **MOTION** made by Ms. James, seconded by Ms. Roberts, to approve the replacement of Carlita Lester, substitute secretary covering lunch and breaks, with Tammy Wazny for the remainder of the 2014/2015 school year at a rate of \$9.50 per hour for 4 ½ hours per day effective January 28, 2015. (*Pending Clearances*)

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

Administrative Agenda

Personnel Committee – Mr. Livingston, Co-Chairperson

- A. **MOTION** made by Ms. Williams, seconded by Mr. Carra, to accept, with regret, her irrevocable resignation for purpose of retirement of Lucille Herndon, Elementary Education Teacher, being granted the retirement benefit as specified under the terms of the CEA/District Agreement effective June 30, 2015.

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

- B. **MOTION** made by Ms. Santoline, seconded by Ms. Roberts, to accept, with regret, his irrevocable resignation for purpose of retirement of Thomas Bowen, Elementary Education Teacher, being granted the retirement benefit as specified under the terms of the CEA/District Agreement effective June 30, 2015.

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

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

- C. Board approved the Family and Medical Leave of Lisa Mallozzi, Third Grade Teacher, effective January 5, 2015 through June 5, 2015.

- D. Board approved the Family and Medical Leave of Joel Panach, Secondary Art Teacher, effective January 9, 2015 through February 9, 2015.

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

- E. **MOTION** made by Ms. James, seconded by Ms. Roberts, to approve the Maternity Leave of Emily Denman, Special Education Teacher, effective February 2, 2015 through March 16, 2015.

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

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

- F. Board approved the employment of Brittany Marnell as Special Education Teacher, effective January 2, 2015 at Step 1 - Bachelors in accordance with the terms of the agreement between the District and the Clairton Education Association (CEA).
- G. Board approved the employment of Nicole Holtz as Long-Term Substitute in the position of Elementary Character Building as vacated by transfer effective January 5, 2015 at Step-1 Bachelors after 45-days in accordance with the terms of the agreement between the District and the Clairton Education Association. (CEA).
- H. Board approved the employment of Stacy Veitmeier as a 180-day Substitute Teacher, effective January 5, 2015 for the remainder of the 2014/2015 school year at a daily rate of \$105.00/day, single benefits in accordance with the terms of the agreement between the District and the Clairton Education Association. (CEA)
- I. Board approved the employment of Courtney Smith as Confidential Secretary to the Director of Curriculum and Federal Programs in accordance with the terms and conditions of the agreement executed between Courtney Smith and the District effective January 19, 2015. (*Pending Clearances*)

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

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

- J. Board approved Kim Koebler as Senior Class Sponsor for the remainder of the 2014/2015 school year in accordance with the terms of the agreement between the District and the Clairton Education Association (CEA).
- K. Board approved Alexis Trubiani as Yearbook Sponsor for the remainder of the 2014/2015 school year in accordance with the terms of the agreement between the District and the Clairton Education Association (CEA).

- L. Board approved Renee Goldsmith as Foreign Language Club Sponsor for the remainder of the 2014/2015 school year in accordance with the terms of the agreement between the District and the Clairton Education Association (CEA).

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

- M. **MOTION** made by Ms. James, seconded by Ms. Williams, to approve the updated substitute teacher list, as submitted.

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

- N. **MOTION** made by Ms. Santoline, seconded by Mr. Carra, to endorse the Candidacy of Roger Tachoir, Board Member, for a Three Year Position (July 2015 to June 2018) on the Allegheny Intermediate Unit (AIU) Board of Directors.

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

- O. **MOTION** made by Mr. Tachoir, seconded by Ms. James Board to approve the settlement agreement between Charles J. Lanna and Clairton City School District, as submitted.

Roll Call:

Barbara Roberts	Yes
Gloria Ruffing	Absent
Roger Tachoir	Yes
Kathy Santoline	Yes
Jennifer Williams	Yes
Lawrence Carra	Yes
Paulette Bradford	Abstain
Richard Livingston	Abstain

Roll Call Vote: 6 Ayes 0 Nays 1 Absent 2 Abstentions APPROVED

Curriculum Committee – Ms. James. Chairperson

- P. **MOTION** made by Mr. Livingston, seconded by Ms. Roberts, to approve Mr. Steven Scott, Penn State Greater Allegheny Intern, to serve an internship for his undergraduate Psychology Program with Maureen Shaw, Guidance Counselor, commencing on January 15, 2015 through May 2015 at no cost to the district.

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

- Q. **MOTION** made by Ms. Santoline, seconded by Ms. Roberts, to approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Clairton City School District and the Allegheny County Department of Human Services (DHS) to share student data, with confidentiality of all data protected under FERPA regulations which are detailed in the MOU, so that the District can improve the access to our student aid programs available to all county residents, as submitted.

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

- R. **MOTION** made by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Ms. Santoline to approve the revised Policy #806 – Child Abuse, as submitted.

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

Building & Grounds Committee – Ms. Santoline, Chairperson

- S. **MOTION** made by Ms. Williams, seconded by Ms. Roberts to approve the use of the gymnasium on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. by Clairton Youth Places effective Tuesday, March 3, 2015 through Tuesday, June 2, 2015. It is understood that a school-sponsored activity may occur on a Tuesday or Thursday evening; Youth Places will be notified of the unavailability of the gym for that evening. Youth Places is responsible for security of the premises during their assigned time, and participants are limited to the gym area.

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

- T. **MOTION** made by Mr. Tachoir, seconded by Mr. Carra to approve the use of the gymnasium on Saturdays starting February 14, 2015 through March 21, 2015 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. by 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th grade boys basketball.

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

Business Administrator's Agenda

Business Administrator – Ms. Rajgopal

- A. **MOTION** made by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Ms. James, to approve Resolution No. 01-15 pursuant to Section 311(d)(1) of Act 1 that the Clairton City School District will not raise the rate of any tax by more than the index of 3% calculated by PDE, as submitted.

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

- B. **MOTION** made by Ms. James, seconded by Ms. Santoline, to accept the Independent Auditor’s Report, which includes the Single Audit Report, for the Clairton City School District for the year ended June 30, 2014, as prepared by Hosack Specht Muetzel and Wood LLP. Audit Report will be advertised and on display in the Business Office.

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

- C. **MOTION** made by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Mr. Carra, to approve the 2014 Real Estate tax refunds resulting from taxpayer assessment appeals, as submitted by Jordan Tax Service in the amount of \$8,881.59 plus \$3,435.08 for a total of \$12,316.67, as submitted.

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

- D. **MOTION** made by Ms. Williams, seconded by Ms. Roberts to approve the exoneration of Jordan Tax Services, Current Real Estate Tax Collector, for the 2014 Uncollected Real Estate property taxes on 2,094 properties in the amount of \$982,095.95, as submitted.

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

- E. **MOTION** made by Mr. Livingston, seconded by Ms. Roberts, 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 2015-2016 school year.

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

- F. **MOTION** made by Ms. Williams, seconded by Ms. James to approve an upgrade for three copiers in the Elementary, Middle School Copy Room and the Superintendent’s Office with ComDoc, at no increased monthly cost to the district, as submitted.

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

- G. **MOTION** made by Ms. Santoline, seconded by Ms. Williams to accept the proposal from Mark Moses, dated December 31, 2014, in the amount of \$ 10,270.00, for work to provide Backup Generator Power for in server rooms and wiring closets (3 locations) and Grounding for Radio Repeater Antennas, as submitted.

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

- H. **MOTION** made by Ms. Williams, seconded by Ms. James to approve Prints Charming as School Photographer in the Clairton City School District for the period January 9, 2015 thru June 30, 2015, as submitted.

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

- I. **MOTION** made by Ms. Santoline, seconded by Mr. Carra to approve Ms. Hamsini Rajgopal to attend the Annual PASBO Conference in Hershey, PA from March 11-13, 2015. Ms. Rajgopal was awarded a PASBO scholarship to attend the conference that covers the Registration Fee (\$299), Lodging (\$420) and Meals (\$75) for all three days. Mileage and tolls to be paid by the District.

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

- J. **MOTION** made by Ms. Williams, seconded by Mr. Livingston to approve \$100.00 in start-up funds for the Foreign Language Club to help cover general expenses associated with fundraisers.

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

Athletic Agenda

Athletic Committee – Mr. Livingston

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

- A. Board approved the following staff during the 2014-2015 Basketball Season in accordance with the terms of the agreement between the District and the Clairton Education Association (CEA): *(Pending Clearances)*

Tara Fields Statistician JV/V Boys
Kammi Gori Statistician Girls Varsity
Tonya Payne Scoreboard JV/V Boys
Justice Reddix Scoreboard Girls Varsity

- B. Board approved acceptance of the donation of fifty-five (55) sweat suits to be used by the Clairton Football Team for the 2014 season.
- C. Board approved acceptance of the donation of thirty (30) varsity game uniforms from Thomas Meade, Jr.

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

- XI. **MOTION** made by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Ms. James, at **7:42 p.m.** to **ADJOURN.**

Respectfully submitted:

Gayle S. Colonna
Secretary to the Board