

CLAIRTON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
Board of Directors  
Legislative Meeting Minutes  
September 25, 2013  
7:00 p.m.

**I. Call to Order** – Richard P. Livingston, President of the Board of School Directors, called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

**II. Salute to the Flag**

**III. Roll Call**

Paulette Bradford	Present
Robert Harrigan	Present
Gloria James	Present
Richard Livingston	Present
Barbara Roberts	Present
Gloria Ruffing	Present
Roger Tachoir	Present
Sue Wessel	Present
Jennifer Williams	Present

Board of Directors:    9 Present            0 Absent

**IV. Approval of the Minutes – August 28, 2013**

**MOTION** made by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Ms. James to approve the Minutes of the August 28, 2013 meeting.

**Non-Roll Call Vote:   8 Ayes    0 Nays    0 Absent    1 Abstention    APPROVED**  
(Mrs. Wessel)

**V. Reports**

**A. Administration**  
No Report

**B. Solicitor's Report** – Mr. Beisler referred to Item G. of the Business Administrators Agenda regarding the exoneration of the property taxes on properties owned by the Clairton Volunteer Fire Department and Relief Association. Two additional properties also owned by the Fire Department are to be considered for exoneration next month.

**C. Building & Grounds**

No Report

**D. Athletics** – Ms. Bradford regrettably reported that the Bears’ 66- game winning streak has come to an end.

**VI. Citizens Comments**

No Citizens Comments

**VII. Treasurer’s Report – August, 2013.**

**MOTION** made by Ms. Williams, seconded by Ms. Ruffing, to approve the Treasurer’s Report for the month of August, 2013.

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

**VIII. Payment of Bills – September, 2013**

**MOTION** made by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Mr. Tachoir, to approve the Payment of Bills for the month of September, 2013.

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

**IX. Old Business**

Mr. Livingston revisited the issue regarding the trash surrounding the stadium after football games. The Cheerleaders cleaned the areas, and the board hoped this would be a satisfactory solution for the neighbors that reside close to the stadium.

**X. New Business**

*The Board went into Executive Session at 7:18 p.m. to discuss a legal issue and a personnel issue. The meeting reconvened at 7:50 p.m.*

Mr. Lanna stated that in keeping with the “Affordable Care Act” all employers are required to send a letter to all employees notifying them of their health care options. These letters will be going out to district employees at the end of the week.

**Administrative Agenda**

Personnel Committee – Mrs. Bradford, Co-Chairperson

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

- A. The Board approved the individuals listed on the 2013/2014 Day-to-Day Substitute Employee List as submitted.
- B. The Board approved the employment of Gail Marshman, paraprofessional, under the terms and conditions in the agreement between the District and the CESP effective September 24, 2013.
- C. The Board approved the following individuals as Homebound Instructors for the 2013/2014 school year at \$25.00 per hour:  

Kathleen Kearney	Alexis Trubiani
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- D. The Board ratified the attendance of Dr. Ginny Hunt at the *New Superintendents' Academy – Communicating with the Board, the Staff and the Public* at PASA in Harrisburg, PA September 17 – 18, 2013 at a cost of \$195.00 plus expenses to be paid by the District.
- E. The Board approved Dr. Ginny Hunt to attend the Annual Allegheny Intermediate Unit Superintendent's Retreat on October 2 – 4, 2013 at Bedford Springs, PA. Travel expenses are to be paid by the district.
- F. The Board approved the Cheerleading Squad to clean the area around the stadium after home football games for a donation from the district of \$100.00 to the cheerleaders' activity fund.
- G. The Board approved the submission of an electronic vote on behalf of the Clairton City School District Board of Directors for the following candidates on the PSBA Board to be voted on during the annual PSBA Convention.

<i>President Elect</i>	<i>Mark Miller</i>
<i>Vice President</i>	<i>Larry Breech</i>
<i>Treasurer</i>	<i>Otto Voit</i>
<i>At Large</i>	<i>Dan O'Keefe</i>

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

H. **MOTION** made by Ms. James, seconded by Ms. Roberts, to approve the Settlement Agreement among the Clairton City School District, Clairton Education Association, and Robert F. Sims III..

Roll Call

Robert Harrigan	Abstained
Gloria James	Yes
Richard Livingston	Yes
Barbara Roberts	Yes
Gloria Ruffing	Yes
Roger Tachoir	Yes
Sue Wessel	Abstained
Jennifer Williams	Yes
Paulette Bradford	Yes

**Roll Call Vote:        7 Ayes    0 Nays    0 Absent    2 Abstentions    APPROVED**

Curriculum Committee – Ms. James, Chairperson

I. **MOTION** made by Ms. Bradford, seconded by Mr. Tachoir, to approve the second reading of the following Board Policies:

a. Board Policy #221, Dress and Grooming

The Board is requested to revise the dress code policy to eliminate the uniform dress code and adopt an exclusionary dress code as submitted.

b. Board Policy # 408, Employment Contract

The Board is requested to rescind and eliminate this policy as it is the practice of the district that new employees are hired in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Clairton Education Association/Clairton City School District Agreement in effect at the time of hire.

c. Board Policies #415 and #515, District Liability for Family Members

The Board is requested to institute these policies to eliminate district liability for family members of both support and professional staff.

d. Board Policy #806, Child/Student Abuse

The Board is requested to approve the additions and deletions to the Child/Student Abuse policy to comply with recent changes in identification and reporting requirements for Child Abuse as indicated in the Pennsylvania School Code.

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

**Business Administrator's Agenda**

**Business Administrator - Mr. Lanna**

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

- A. The Board increased the Cafeteria Adult Breakfast prices for the Elementary and Middle/High Schools, from \$1.50 to \$1.75.
- B. The Board approved the School Leaders Legal Liability Policy with the PSBA Insurance Trust, effective October 1, 2013 to September 30, 2014, at a renewal rate of \$10,217.00 (This is an increase of \$1,019 or 11%)
- C. The Board approved the filing of liens on behalf of the District by The Law Offices of Patricia McGrail for the year 2010 for non-Municipal or non-authority properties that have unpaid balances exceeding \$999.99, at a cost of \$20.00 per lien.
- D. The Board approved an "Agreement for Parents to Provide Student Transportation" for the 2013/2014 school year, as submitted.
- E. The Board, under Policy 606.1, Delinquent Tax Review, agreed to accept payment in the amount of \$8,730.00 for real estate taxes on the property located at 741 North Sixth Street, Clairton, PA.
- F. The Board rescinded the agreement between the District and Ed Thompson for the use of the Clairton City School District name, photographs, etc. on a sports-related website.
- G. The Board agreed to exonerate 2013 Clairton City School District taxes for properties at Lot & Block 764-C-324 and 764-C-327, owned and used by the Clairton Volunteer Fire Department & Relief Association, a non-profit organization, as a banquet hall and headquarters.

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

**Athletic Agenda**

NO ATHLETIC AGENDA

**XI. MOTION** made by Mr. Tachoir, seconded by Ms. Ruffing, at **7:56 p.m.** to **ADJOURN.**

Respectfully submitted:

Debra Masley  
Secretary to the Board