

CLAIRTON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board of Directors

Legislative Meeting Minutes

May 25, 2022

7:30 p.m.

I. Call to Order – Rikell Ford, Vice-President of the Board of School Directors, called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

II. Roll Call

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| Lawrence Carra | Present | |
| Rikell Ford | Present | |
| Felix Fusco | Present | |
| Richard Livingston | Present | |
| Artrena McKenzie | Present | |
| Barbara Roberts | Present | |
| Kathy Santoline | Present | |
| Roger Tachoir | Absent <i>(Personal)</i> | |
| Charles Wade | Present | |
| Board of Directors: | 8 Present | 1 Absent |

III. Salute to the Flag

Moment of silence for the lives lost of 19 students and 2 teachers in Uvalde, Texas; 10 in Buffalo, New York and 1 in Southern California due to gun violence.

IV. Approval of the Minutes – Legislative Meeting April 27, 2022

MOTION made by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Mr. Wade, to approve the Minutes of the Legislative Meeting April 27, 2022.

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

V. Citizens Comments – None

VI. Presentation – “Student of the Month”

- *Elementary Students of the Month, grades K – 5 were recognized by the Board as they were presented certificates from Mrs. Maurizio, Elementary Principal.*

VII. Reports:

- A. Administration** – No Report
- B. Solicitor’s Report** – No Report
- C. Board Committees:**
 - a) **Personnel** – No Report
 - b) **Finance** – Met 05/17/22
 - c) **Curriculum/Technology** – No Report
 - d) **Building & Grounds** – No Report
 - e) **Athletics** – Met 05/17/22
 - f) **Recreation** – No Report
 - g) **Land Bank** – Met 05/12/22
 - h) **Steel Center** - No Report

VIII. Treasurer’s Report – April 2022

MOTION made by Mr. Livingston, seconded by Ms. Roberts, to approve the Treasurer’s Report for the month of April 2022.

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

IX. Payment of Bills – May 2022

MOTION made by Mr. Livingston, seconded by Ms. Santoline, to approve the Payment of Bills for the month of May 2022.

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

X. Old Business – None

XI. New Business –

A. **MOTION** made by Mr. Wade, seconded by Mr. Fusco, to remove from the table Resolution #03-22 of the Board of School Directors of the Clairton City School District approving District participation in a Renovation Project for the Steel Center for Technical and Career Education.

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

- B. **MOTION** made by Mr. Carra, seconded by Mr. Fusco to approve Resolution 03-22 of the Board of School Directors of the Clairton City School District approving District participation in a Renovation Project for the Steel Center for Technical and Career Education.

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

Administrative Agenda

Personnel Committee – Mr. Tachoir, President

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

- A. Board approved the re-appointment of Richard Livingston as Treasurer of the Clairton City School District Board of Directors effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023.
- B. Board approved the re-appointment of Gayle Colonna as the Secretary to the Board of Directors beginning July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2026.
- C. Board approved Maria Suss as MS Principal for the 2022/2023 school year, in accordance with the terms and conditions of the agreement between the District and Act 93, effective July 1, 2022 with an annual starting salary of \$96,000.00.
- D. Board approved Jennifer Wardropper as Special Education Supervisor for the 2022/2023 school year, in accordance with the terms and conditions of the agreement between the District and Act 93, effective July 1, 2022 with an annual starting salary of \$96,000.00.
- E. Board approved the employment of Rachel Howard, as Secondary Biology Teacher Step-1 Masters in accordance with the terms and conditions of the agreement between the District and Clairton Education Association (CEA), effective August 8, 2022.
- F. Board approved the Employment Agreement between Rava Wright Clairton City School District, to act as Certified Nurse Assistant (K-12) effective July 1, 2022, as submitted.
- G. Board approved the following individuals for the comprehensive Extended School Year (ESY) Program for grades K-12, beginning July 5, 2022 through July 29, 2022 at a rate of \$31.83/hour for teachers and \$20.00/hour for paraprofessionals, as per in accordance with the terms and conditions of the agreement between the District and Clairton Education Association (CEA) and Clairton Education Support Professionals (CESP), respectively. Expenses to be paid by ESSER II grant funds.

Special Education Teachers: Michelle Menozzi
Tracy Tatar

Paraprofessional: Corey Keyes

Nurse: Cequcoria Hammonds

- H. Board approved the following individuals for the K-8th Grade Summer Camp “Mission XCELR8” beginning July 5, 2022 through July 29, 2022 at a rate of \$31.83/hour for teachers, in accordance with the terms and conditions of the agreement between the District and Clairton Education Association (CEA). Expenses to be paid from ESSER II grant funds.

Teachers: Stacie Baur
Al’aia Brown
Jessica Burke
Patti Detwiler
Taylor Dreher
Renee Goldsmith
Maria Miller
Bryce Potts
Jennifer Schlata
Carrie Selvoski
Eamon Sheehan
Gloria Staryarsky

Substitute: Denise Thomas

- I. Board approved Amanda Lommock as Summer Credit Recovery teacher for HS students through the District Cyber School Platform beginning July 5, 2022 through July 29 at a rate of \$31.83/hour in accordance with the terms and conditions of the agreement between the District and Clairton Education Association (CEA). Expenses to be paid from ESSER II grant funds.

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

Curriculum Committee – Ms. Roberts, 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 J. through Q.

- J. Board approved the second reading of Policy #610 – Purchases Subject to Bid/Quotation updated to reflect new amounts as required per PA School Code Sections 24 P.S. §7-751 and 24 P.S. §8-807.1; recommended for audit purposes, as submitted.
- K. Board approved the second reading of Policy #611- Purchases Budgeted updated to reflect new amounts as required per PA School Code Sections 24 P.S. §7-751 and 24 P.S. §8-807.1; recommended for audit purposes, as submitted.
- L. Board approved the Agreement with Venture Outdoors Inc. and Clairton City School District to provide on-site programming, equipment, Friday Field Trips and associated staff during Summer School, as submitted. Services provided are to be paid by the ARP ESSER 7% Set-Aside Grant funds #225-21-0084.
- M. Board approved the Agreement between Awaken Pittsburgh and Clairton City School District for delivering Mindful Connections, Bias Awareness and Trauma Sensitive Practices for the 2022/2023 school year, as submitted. Services provided are to be paid by the ARP ESSER 7% Set-Aside Grant funds #225-21-0084.
- N. Board approved Allegheny Intermediate Unit 2022/2023 Services Agreement to provide Special Education Services, as submitted.
- O. Board approved the Agreement between Adelphoi Education, Inc. and Clairton City School District for Enhanced Behavioral and Emotional Supports for the 2022/2023 school year, as submitted.
- P. Board approved Maria Suss, to attend the AASA Learning 2025 National Summit held June 28, 2022 – June 30, 2022 at the Washington Hilton in Washington, DC. Registration fees and travel expenses are to be paid by the Grable Foundation Grant.
- Q. Board approved to proceed with grant applications for the 2022/2023 school year as follows: Title I-A, Title II-A, TITLE III, Title IV-A, ARP ESSER A-TSI 2.5% Set-Aside #224-21-0084 and Ready to Learn Grant.

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

Building and Grounds – Mr. Livingston, Chairperson

ON MOTION made by Ms. Santoline, seconded by Ms. Roberts, the Board of Directors, by non-roll call vote, approved the following items designated R. and S.

- R. Board ratified New Horizons the use of the Multipurpose Room on Saturday, May 14, 2022 and the Gymnasium on Sunday, May 15, 2022 from 10:00 AM to 7:00 PM for the purpose of helping children learn the art of baton, team building and life lessons. The request for Use of District Facilities is only in the event of rain on either of these days, as submitted. It is understood that a school-sponsored activity may occur and New Horizons will be notified of the unavailability. New Horizons is responsible for proper maintenance of the areas and will provide their own security. Adam Livingston is responsible for this program. All fees have been waived.
- S. Board ratified Clairton Youth Football Association (CYFA) the use of the Gymnasium by for the purpose of Annual Alumni Basketball practices and game. Practices will be held from Monday, May 23, 2022 through Thursday, May 26, 2022 from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM and the game held on Friday, May 27, 2022 at 5:00 PM, as submitted. It is understood that a school-sponsored activity may occur and the CYFA will be notified of the unavailability. CYFA is responsible for proper maintenance of the areas used and security. Jeffery Thompson, Jr. is responsible for this program. 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. Fusco, Chairperson

MOTION made by Mr. Livingston, seconded by Ms. McKenzie to adopt the Proposed Budget for the General Fund of the Clairton City School District for the 2022-23 fiscal year with millage rates of 83.6363 for Land and 7.8060 for Buildings.

Roll Call:

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| Richard Livingston | Yes |
| Artrena McKenzie | Yes |
| Barbara Roberts | Yes |
| Kathy Santoline | Yes |
| Roger Tachoir | Absent |
| Charles Wade | Yes |
| Lawrence Carra | Yes |
| Rikell Ford | Yes |
| Felix Fusco | Yes |

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

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

- B. Board approved the Agreement between the Clairton City School District and Allegheny Intermediate Unit to support the best practices in transition to kindergarten in 2021/2022 and 2022/2023 school years, as submitted.
- C. Board approved the renewal of Standard Membership in Pennsylvania School Boards Association PSBA and a purchase of the PSBA Policy Maintenance subscription for the 2022-2023 school year for a total cost of \$4,036.42, as submitted.
- D. Board accepted quote from Xello for College and Career Readiness Software for the 2022-2023 school year in the amount of \$5,225.00, as submitted.
- E. Board approved the negotiated settlement of assessment of \$100,000 each for parcels 675-S-70 and 657-S-225 for the tax years of 2021 and 2022 between the school district and USSC, as submitted.
- F. Board approved the negotiated settlement of assessment of \$100,000 for tax year 2021 and \$200,000 for tax year 2022 for parcel 1002-A-40 between the school district and owner, as submitted.
- G. Board authorized administration to solicit bids for playground equipment to be purchased with grant funds from ARP-ESSER FA-223-21-0084.
- H. Board authorized administration to solicit bids for Vinyl Composition Tile VCT in approximately 22 rooms, plus additional space in the administration building.
- I. Board approved proposal for carpet replacement in the band room area from Toth Carpet in the amount of \$6,476.00, as submitted.
- J. Board approved proposal PEMQ8739 for cafeteria furniture from P.E.M Co. in the amount of \$43,832.92 to be paid from FA-200-21-0084 (Budget \$50,000), as submitted.
- K. Board approved proposal PEMQ8753 for library and cafeteria furniture from P.E.M Co. in the amount of \$31,543.32 to be paid from FA-200-21-0084 (Budget \$49,625), as submitted.
- L. Board approved proposal PEMQ8698 for library and cafeteria furniture from P.E.M Co. in the amount of \$12,951.56 to be paid from FA-200-21-0084 (Budget \$20,375), as submitted.

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

At this time Dr. Ford read the letter submitted to the Board of School Directors from Mr. Larry Carra, Board Member, offering his letter of resignation from the School Board as of June 30, 2022.

Athletic Agenda

Athletic Committee – Mr. Carra, Chairperson

ON MOTION made by Mr. Livingston, seconded by Ms. Roberts, the Board of Directors, by non-roll call vote, approved the following items designated A. and B.

- A. Board accepted the resignation of Andrew Rossi, Varsity Assistant Football Coach (Offensive Line Coach), effective immediately.
- B. Board ratified the employment of Marcel Washington as Assistant High School Track Coach for the 2021/2022 school year, in accordance with the terms and conditions of the agreement between the District and Clairton Education Association (CEA), effective March 16, 2022.

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

XII. MOTION made by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Mr. Livingston, at 8:15 p.m. to ADJOURN.

Respectfully submitted:

Gayle S. Colonna
Secretary to the Board