

**CLAIRTON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Board of Directors

Legislative Meeting Minutes

June 29, 2022

7:30 p.m.

**I. Call to Order** – Roger Tachoir, President of the Board of School Directors, called the meeting to order at 7:33 p.m.

**II. Roll Call**

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

Board of Directors:            8 Present            1 Absent

**III. Salute to the Flag**

**IV. Approval of the Minutes – Legislative Meeting May 25, 2022**

**MOTION** made by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Ms. Ford, to approve the Minutes of the Legislative Meeting May 25, 2022.

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

**V. Citizens Comments – None**

**VI. Presentation – None**

**VII. Reports:**

- A. Administration** – No Report
- B. Solicitor’s Report** – No Report
- C. Board Committees:**
  - a) **Personnel** – No Report
  - b) **Finance** – Met 06/21/22
  - c) **Curriculum/Technology** – No Report
  - d) **Building & Grounds** – No Report
  - e) **Athletics** – No Report
  - f) **Recreation** – No Report
  - g) **Land Bank** – No Report
  - h) **Steel Center** - No Report

*Ms. Santoline entered the meeting at 7:37 PM*

**VIII. Treasurer’s Report – May 2022**

**MOTION** made by Mr. Livingston, seconded by Mr. Wade, to approve the Treasurer’s Report for the month of May 2022.

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

**IX. Payment of Bills – June 2022**

**MOTION** made by Ms. Santoline, seconded by Ms. Roberts, to approve the Payment of Bills for the month of June 2022.

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

**X. Old Business – None**

**XI. New Business – None**

**Administrative Agenda**

Personnel Committee – Rikell Ford, Chairperson

- A. **MOTION** made by Mr. Livingston, seconded by Ms. Roberts to accept, with regret, the resignation of Lawrence Carra as a member of the Board of Directors of the Clairton City School District effective June 30, 2022. Mr. Carra served on the Board of Directors for 8 years.

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

*At this time the Superintendent, Dr. Ginny Hunt, presented Mr. Carra with a crystal retirement award in appreciation for his many years of service and dedication to the students and community.*

- B. **MOTION** made by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Ms. McKenzie to accept, with regret, her resignation for the purpose of retirement of Lisa Mallozzi, Elementary Teacher, effective November 28, 2022. Ms. Mallozzi has been with the District 25 years.

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

- C. **MOTION** made by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Ms. Santoline to accept the resignation, with regret, of Dave Geckle as Stage Crew Sponsor at the completion of the 2021/2022 school year.

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

- D. **MOTION** made by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Mr. Livingston to approve the appointment of Jawanna Warren to complete the remaining one and half years of a four-year term on the Board of Directors vacated by Lawrence Carra, effective July 1, 2022 until December of 2023.

Roll Call:

Richard Livingston	Yes
Artrena McKenzie	Yes
Barbara Roberts	Yes
Kathy Santoline	Yes
Roger Tachoir	Yes
Charles Wade	Yes

Lawrence Carra	Yes
Rikell Ford	Yes
Felix Fusco	Yes

**Roll Call Vote            9 Ayes    0 Nays    0 Absent    0 Abstentions    APPROVED**

E. **MOTION** made by Mr. Livingston, seconded by Ms. Roberts to ratify employment of Dana Gambino as Guidance Secretary for the 2022/2023 school year, in accordance with the terms and conditions of the agreement between the District and Clairton Secretarial Associations (CSA), effective June 16, 2022.

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

F. **MOTION** made by Mr. Fusco, seconded by Mr. Livingston to approve the appointment of Tamara Allen-Thomas as Acting Superintendent for a period, not to exceed one year, in accordance with the terms and conditions of the contract executed between Tamara Allen-Thomas and the Clairton City School District, effective July 1, 2022 year, as submitted.

Roll Call:

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

**Roll Call Vote            9 Ayes    0 Nays    0 Absent    0 Abstentions    APPROVED**

G. **MOTION** made by Mr. Livingston, seconded by Mr. Fusco to approve the Clairton City School District Act 93 Agreement with adjustments to salaries for the period July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2026, as submitted.

Roll Call:

Kathy Santoline	Yes
Roger Tachoir	Yes
Charles Wade	Yes
Lawrence Carra	Yes
Rikell Ford	Yes

Felix Fusco	Yes
Richard Livingston	Yes
Artrena McKenzie	Yes
Barbara Roberts	Yes

**Roll Call Vote            9 Ayes    0 Nays    0 Absent    0 Abstentions    APPROVED**

H. **MOTION** made by Ms. Santoline, seconded by Mr. Wade to adjust the title of Debra Maurizio from Elementary Principal to Director/Principal of Elementary Education at a salary of \$125,000, effective July 1, 2022.

Roll Call:

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

**Roll Call Vote            9 Ayes    0 Nays    0 Absent    0 Abstentions    APPROVED**

I. **MOTION** made by Mr. Livingston, seconded by Ms. Santoline to approve 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 \$20.00/hour in accordance with the terms and conditions of the agreement between the District and Clairton Education Support Professionals (CESP). Expenses to be paid by ESSER II grant funds.

Paraprofessionals:	Michael Policastro	Elizabeth Tusing
	Monique Semian	Harry White

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

- J. **MOTION** made by Mr. Livingston, seconded by Ms. Santoline to reclassify Patricia Detwiler from a year-to-year employee, to Elementary ESL Program Specialist Teacher for the 2022/2023 school year at Step-12 Masters, in accordance with the terms and conditions of the agreement between the District and Clairton Education Association (CEA), effective July 1, 2022.

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

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

- K. Board approved the employment of Grace Gartman, as Secondary Social Studies Teacher for the 2022/2023 school year at 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.
- L. Board approved employment of Elizabeth Tusing, as a Paraprofessional/Secondary; Special Education Assignment for the 2022/2023 school year, in accordance with the terms and conditions of the agreement between the District and Clairton Education Support Professionals (CESP), effective August 18, 2022.
- M. Board ratified a change in the District Calendar 2021/2022 to reflect Early Release May 27, 2022, to be submitted for approval to PDE as follows:

<b>Original Calendar</b>	<b>Revision</b>	<b>Information</b>
May 27, 2022 Full Day	May 27, 2022 Early Release	ER 11:30 Prior to Holiday Non-Act 80

- N. Board approved a change to the District Calendar 2022/2023 to reflect the rescheduling of October 28, 2022 10:00 AM start for required Professional Development to September 30, 2022, to be submitted for approval to PDE as follows:

<b>Original Calendar</b>	<b>Revision</b>	<b>Information</b>
October 28, 2022 Scheduled Start 10:00 AM (Act 80)	September 30, 2022 Scheduled Start 10:00 AM (Act 80)	October 28, 2022 will be a regular day for students and staff

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

- O. **MOTION** made by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Ms. McKenzie to adopt Juneteenth as a District holiday beginning with the 2022/2023 school year to be observed June 19, 2023 and reflected in the revised District Calendar, as submitted.

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

**ON MOTION** made by Ms. McKenzie, seconded by Ms. Santoline, the Board of Directors, by non-roll call vote, approved the following items designated P. through R.

- P. Board approved the extension of the two Memorandum of Understandings between the Board of Directors of the Clairton City School District and the Clairton Secretarial Association dated and approved February 27, 2019 to the end of the current contract June 30, 2024, as presented.
- Q. Board approved the rate of pay for the Day-to-Day Substitute Nurse at \$200/day commensurate with certification and experience, effective July 1, 2022.
- R. Board approved the rate of pay for the Day-to-Day Substitute Dean of Discipline at \$250/day commensurate with certification, experience and assignment, effective July 1, 2022.

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

Curriculum Committee – Ms. Roberts, Chairperson

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

- S. Board approved enactment of temporary provisions that include Emergency Instructional Time in response to the COVID-19 global pandemic through a combination of face-to-face and remote instruction at any time during the 2022/2023 school year due to the ongoing pandemic, as required by PDE under Section 520.1 of the School Code, as submitted.
- T. Board approved the contract between Clairton City School District and Waterfront Learning for services provided to the Clairton Alternative Education Program during the 2022/2023 school year, as submitted.
- U. Board approved a Letter of Agreement with TCV Community Services, Inc. to provide Student Assistance Liaison Services for the 2022/2023 school year, as submitted.

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

Building and Grounds – Mr. Livingston, Chairperson

**ON MOTION** made by Ms. McKenzie, seconded by Ms. Ford, the Board of Directors, by non-roll call vote, approved the following items designated V. and W.

- V. Board approved the use of the stadium, concession stands, sound system and score board by Clairton Youth Football Association (CYFA) on Saturdays beginning July 30<sup>th</sup> through October 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022 from 8:00 AM to 5:30 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. Emilinda Jarrett is responsible for this program. All fees have been waived. CYFA will be responsible for providing their own security.

- W. Board ratified the use of the gymnasium and/or multi-purpose room to Kamela Gissendanner Mondays and Wednesdays, beginning June 13 through July 27<sup>th</sup>, 2022 from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM for athletic training. It is understood that a school-sponsored activity has been scheduled for Monday's in July and there may be a conflict Ms. Gissendanner will be notified of the unavailability. All fees have been waived.

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

- X. **MOTION** made by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Ms. Ford to approve the use of the field next to the Clairton Education Center by Grind Hard Training on Sunday, July 3, 2022 from 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM for Youth Camp. Grind Hard Training is responsible for proper maintenance of the areas used. Robert Boatright is responsible for this program. All fees have been waived.

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

**Business Administrator's Agenda**

Finance Committee – Mr. Fusco, Chairperson

- A. **MOTION** made by Mr. Wade, seconded by Ms. Ford to adopt the Proposed Final Budget for the General Fund of the Clairton City School District for the 2022-2023 fiscal year with millage rates of 87.0653 for Land, 8.1260 for Buildings, Revenues of \$ 19,233,720 and Expenditures of \$18,534,291 and a surplus of \$ 699,429 and other Tax Rates and amounts remaining unchanged, as follows:

- a. Earned Income rate of .005 (1/2 percent)
- b. Business Privilege Tax of .006 (6 mills)



- c. Mercantile Tax on Retail of .00075 (3/4 mill) and Mercantile Tax on Wholesale .0005 (1/2 mill)
- d. \$5.00 per person for Local Services Tax

Roll Call:

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

**Roll Call Vote            9 Ayes    0 Nays    0 Absent    0 Abstentions    APPROVED**

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

- B. Board approved the 2022-2023 Steel Center Combined Budgets [Administrative, Operating, Perkins, and Workforce Development], as submitted.
- C. Board approved the Resolution #04-22 authorizing the District to reduce Homestead property taxes by an amount of \$588,514.71 to be received from the Commonwealth from gaming funds and the Sterling Act Tax Credit under the provisions of the Homestead Property Exclusion Program Act and the Taxpayers Relief Act, as submitted.
- D. Board approved Food Service Management Company FSMC Cost Reimbursable Contract with The Nutrition Group.
- E. Board authorized the Business Administrator to make all necessary budget transfers resulting from adjusting journal entries and local audit reclassifications subsequent to June 30, 2022. When such transfers are made, adequate details will be provided to the Board.
- F. Board approved the Business Administrator to pay necessary bills prior to the next Board meeting in lieu of a scheduled July 2022 meeting.
- G. Board approved to renew commercial insurance coverage with CM Regent for a total package price of \$ 81,836, as submitted.

- H. Board approved to award bids for Athletic Supplies for 2022-2023 school year, as submitted.
- I. Board approved to consent to the distribution of property at 145 Pennsylvania Avenue, Clairton, PA (Parcel ID 657-K-283) by Tri-COG Land Bank, as submitted.
- J. Board approved a 6-month Coaching Contract made by and among the Clairton City School District and Robert Boatright in the amount of \$2,575 effective July 1, 2022, as submitted.
- K. Board approved a 3- year agreement with St Moritz Security Commencing on August 7, 2022, as submitted.
- L. Board approved a 5- year agreement with Facilities Management Systems, Inc. Commencing on July 1, 2022, as submitted.

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

**Athletic Agenda**

Athletic Committee – Mr. Carra, Chairperson

- A. **MOTION** made by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Ms. Ford to accept the resignation of Corey Wright, Football Varsity 2<sup>nd</sup> Assistant, effective July 1, 2022.

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

**XII. MOTION made by Mr. Livingston, seconded by Ms. Roberts, at 8:54 p.m. to ADJOURN.**

Respectfully submitted:

Gayle S. Colonna  
Secretary to the Board