

Claymont City Board of Education
Regular Meeting
April 14, 2025 - 6:00 p.m.

I. ROLL CALL

Roll Call: Campbell _____ Grandison _____ Host _____ Peters _____ Wolf _____

Time: _____

Vision

Claymont City School District will provide each student an opportunity for a lifetime of success.

Mission

Claymont City School District creates an environment that nurtures, develops, and empowers each student.

Next Meeting:

Regular Meeting: May 12 @ 6:00 pm at Claymont Administrative Office.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. BOARD AGENDA ADDENDUMS/ADDITIONS/CORRECTIONS

Motion _____ and Second _____ to approve the following organizational items:

Roll Call: Campbell _____ Grandison _____ Host _____ Peters _____ Wolf _____

Motion _____

IV. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING AGENDA

Motion by _____ and seconded by _____ to
approve the meeting agenda

Roll Call: Campbell _____ Grandison _____ Host _____ Peters _____ Wolf _____

Motion _____

V. COMMENDATIONS

Kortnee Cameron - Tusc. Bd. DD Building Together Award

Lauren Rectanus - Franklin B Walter Award

Shawnee Casey for Read 180, Makenzi Henry for Math 180

Middle and High School Band and Choir Students - Alliance Competition

Cast, crew & staff of the musical

Art teachers & students for the Claymont Fine Arts Festival

VI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

In order for the Board to fulfill its obligation to complete the planned agenda in an effective and efficient manner, a maximum of thirty (30) minutes of public participation is scheduled. A district resident who wishes to address the Board is encouraged to inform the Superintendent at least one (1) week prior to a regularly scheduled or adjourned meeting of the Board and provide both name and the specific item(s) to be presented to the Board. The Superintendent will have the resident's name placed on the agenda. A sign in sheet is available at the door of every board meeting. Anyone wishing to be recognized shall make himself/herself known by completing and submitting a registration sheet to the Board President prior to the start of the meeting. No presentation shall exceed five (5) minutes. If multiple speakers indicate a desire to speak on the same issue, the presiding officer shall relate the board's desire that the speakers designate two (2) people to speak for the group. The presiding officer has the right and power to control the meeting and may take whatever actions are necessary to ensure an orderly meeting, including: 1. Prohibiting harassing, repetitive and/or frivolous comments, or statements which constitute personal attacks, insults, or offenses directed specifically at an individual, which instantly inflict injury or tend to incite an immediate breach of the peace or otherwise constitute unprotected "fighting words" under federal court jurisprudence; 2. Removing individuals from meetings if they are disruptive, including contacting law enforcement; 3. Call for recess or adjournment to restore order. The Board asks the audience to refrain from responding to the speaker's comments, including cheering and applauding, so that all Board members can focus their attention entirely on the speaker. Although the Board may ask clarifying questions, please be reminded that the Board cannot respond directly to any comments made this evening.

VII. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Administrative	CEA	OAPSE
Buckeye Career Center		

VIII. BOARD DISCUSSION ITEMS

Preschool Tuition
Ele. and Primary Building start and dismissal times

IX. BOARD ITEM

Motion by _____ and seconded by _____ to approve the following Board of Education item:

A. RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE FAIR SCHOOL FUNDING PLAN

WHEREAS, the Ohio Constitution guarantees a "thorough and efficient system of common schools throughout the state" (Article VI, Section 2), and the Ohio Supreme Court has repeatedly ruled that the state's school funding system must be both adequate and equitable; and

WHEREAS, the Fair School Funding Plan (FSFP) was designed based on research-driven inputs to ensure all Ohio students receive the resources necessary for a high-quality education, regardless of their ZIP code; and

WHEREAS, the FSFP represents a bipartisan effort to address longstanding inequities in Ohio's school funding system by accurately determining the cost of educating a student, utilizing a base cost methodology that reflects actual district needs; and

WHEREAS, the current state biennial budget proposals continue funding the FSFP but fail to update the base cost calculations, relying on outdated 2022 inputs that do not reflect current inflationary pressures, rising personnel costs, or evolving student needs; and

WHEREAS, Ohio's commitment to an equitable funding formula must include periodic updates to cost inputs to ensure districts are receiving an accurate and fair allocation of state resources; and

WHEREAS, any proposal to reduce funding for districts currently receiving funding guarantees would destabilize educational services, harm students, and undermine the intent of the FSFP by shifting financial burdens onto local taxpayers or forcing cuts to essential programs; and

WHEREAS, a fully implemented and regularly updated FSFP benefits all Ohio students by ensuring predictability, adequacy, and fairness in school funding allocations;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Claymont City Board of Education:

1. Expresses strong support for the continued implementation and full funding of the Fair School Funding Plan, including the use of updated, research-based cost inputs that reflect current economic conditions and student needs.
2. Rejects any proposals to cut funding from school districts currently receiving funding guarantees, as such actions would create financial instability and negatively impact students and communities.
3. Calls upon the Ohio General Assembly and the Governor to uphold their commitment to fair and adequate school funding by ensuring that future biennial budgets continue fully funding the FSFP and updating cost calculations to reflect the actual cost of educating Ohio's students.
4. Encourages fellow school districts, educational organizations, and community stakeholders to advocate for an equitable school funding system that supports all Ohio students and does not pit districts against one another in a zero-sum funding model.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to members of the Ohio General Assembly, the Governor of Ohio, the Ohio Department of Education and Workforce, and other relevant stakeholders to emphasize the need for continued investment in Ohio's students and public schools.

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B. RESOLUTION TO REALLOCATE INSIDE MILLAGE

APPROVE the Board of Education to reallocate available inside millage, as presented.

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Motion _____

X. TREASURER REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Motion by _____ and seconded by _____ to approve the following Treasurers items:

- A. **APPROVE** the Financial Report for the Month of March 2025, as presented.
- B. **APPROVE** the Payment of Bills for March 2025, as presented.
- C. **APPROVE** the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of March 10, 2025 and the Public Hearing of April 2, 2025, as presented.
- D. **APPROVE** the renewal of Liability, Fleet and Property Insurance from Ohio School Plan through Hyland Administrative Services for the policy year of May 1, 2025 through April 30, 2026 in the amount of \$

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XI. SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS

Motion by _____ and seconded by _____ to approve the following Superintendent items:

- A. **ACCEPT** the resignation for retirement purposes for Joyce Mehok, effective June 5, 2025.
- B. **ACCEPT** the resignation for retirement purposes for Charlotte Sayre, effective June 5, 2025.
- C. **ACCEPT** the resignation for retirement purposes for Judy McDevitt, effective March 28, 2025.
- D. **ACCEPT** the resignation of the following individuals:
 - Sheila Peters effective March 14, 2025
 - Chris Miles effective March 20, 2025
 - Madison Garrett effective March 20, 2025
 - Kristin Metzger, effective at the end of the 24/25 school year.

- E. **APPROVE** the unpaid leave for the 2025-2026 school year for Clara Warner.
- F. **APPROVE** the unpaid medical leave for Trisha Orr from April 11, 2025 through August 14, 2025.
- G. **APPROVE** the out of state field trip to Pennsylvania for Mr. Zimmerman's Business Career Tech students on May, 8, 2025.
- H. **APPROVE** the Elementary building use for Summer Music Camp for Kids with Mrs. Warner for June 9-13, 2025 per building use request form.
- I. **APPROVE** the building times for Claymont Elementary and Claymont Primary for the 2025-2026 school year as follows:
 Claymont Elementary 8:05 to 3:05
 Claymont Primary 8:15 to 3:15
- J. **APPROVE** the preschool tuition increase to \$100 per week for the 2025 - 2026 school year.
- K. **APPROVE** the shared student handbook for the Intermediate, Middle and High Schools for the 2025-2026 school year, as presented.
- L. **APPROVE** St. Mary's Immaculate Conception to use district school buses, April 14, and 16, 2025 at all costs paid by St. Mary's Immaculate Conception.
- M. **APPROVE** the Title III EL Consortium Contract with Stark County ESC, as presented.
- N. **APPROVE** the following board policies:

Policy Number	Description
1.09	Officers of the Board of Education
4.01	Employment of Substitute Teaching Staff
6.06	Enrollment of Resident and Nonresident, Homeless, and Foreign Exchange Students
6.23	Student Dress Code
6.25	Dangerous Weapons in the Schools, Bomb Threats and Violent Conduct
6.58	Seizure Safety
7.17	Extracurricular Activities
7.27	College Credit Plus Program

7.32	Drug and Alcohol Testing Policy for Eligible Students
7.36	Released Time of Religious Instruction
8.05	Cash in School Buildings
8.13	Uniform Federal Grant Guidance
8.19	Procurement with Federal Grants/Funds
8.24	Inventory and Disposition of Equipment Obtained with Federal Awards
8.25	Employee Dishonesty and Faithful Performance of Duty Insurance Policy
9.15	Food Sale Standards and Services
9.49	Parents' Bill of Rights

O. **APPROVE** Tina Armstrong as certified teacher substitute at the rate of \$90 p/day pending proper credentials.

P. **APPROVE** the following substitutes for the 2024-2025 school year pending all proper credentials.

Classified:

Name	Bus Driver	Cook	Custodian	Secretary	Aide
Gavin Milburn			X		
Brittany Smith		X	X		
James Stout			X		
Kelly Grimm			X		
Bob Gutenson	X				

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Motion by _____ and seconded by _____ to approve the following recommendations for Justin Jones, AD:

Q. **APPROVE** the following 2025-2026 athletic supplemental recommendations:

Summer & Winter Weight Lifting

Jon McCluskey

Bowling

Brian Duvall - Head

Bill Young - Assist.

Girls' Basketball

Allison DeLaney - Head

David White - Assist.

Jeff Merklin - Assist.

R. **APPROVE** the athletic game workers, as presented.

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Motion _____

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion _____ Second _____

Time: _____