

**Claymont City Schools
Board of Education
Regular Meeting
March 10, 2025
6:00 p.m.**

The Claymont City School District Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, March 10, 2025 at 6:00pm in the Administrative Office with Mr. Peters presiding.

ROLL CALL: Present – Ms. Campbell, Mrs. Grandison, Mr. Peters, Mrs. Wolf. Absent – Mrs. Host.

Visitors and Personnel – The following personnel were present: Brian Rentsch, Superintendent; Kim Beckley, Treasurer; Jodie Miles, Assistant Superintendent/Curriculum Director; Heather O’Connor, Director of Special Services; Kelsi Barnhart, High School Principal; Ida Gorman, Assistant High School Principal; Brian Watkins, Middle School Principal; Michele Henry, Assistant Middle School Principal; Jessica Marsh, Intermediate School Principal; Heather Whipkey, Elementary School Principal; Kelly Cook, Primary School Principal; Bradon Smith, Building and Grounds Supervisor; Andrea Warther, The Nutrition Group; and William Bonanno, Holly Lloyd, Lorena Warren, Brianna Page, Tiffany Poland, Brinley Poland, Myles Wolf, Jaxton Crawshaw, Dustin Rose, Elizabeth Morris, Gracie Mencer, Jane Abbuhl, Jeff Morris, Chris Pittman, Sarah McPherson, Grace McPherson, Jasmine Russell, Aaron Grandison, Ed Rexroad, Daniel Russell, Ayla Holmes, and Reece Robson, members of the public.

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.

25-025 BOARD AGENDA ADDENDUMS/ADDITIONS/CORRECTIONS

Ms. Campbell made the motion, and Mrs. Grandison seconded the motion to make the following addendums to the board agenda:

- Item K: Table the building time changes for the 2025-2026 school year
- Item O: Add Heather Fair to the 25/26 Cheerleading as Co-JH advisor
- Remove XI. Executive Session

On roll call vote: Ms. Campbell, yes; Mrs. Grandison, yes; Mr. Peters, yes; Mrs. Wolf, yes. Motion carried.

25-026 APPROVAL OF THE MEETING AGENDA

Ms. Campbell made the motion, and Mrs. Wolf seconded the motion to approve the regular meeting agenda.

On roll call vote: Ms. Campbell, yes; Mrs. Wolf, yes; Mrs. Grandison, yes; Mr. Peters, yes. Motion

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carried.

25-027 COMMENDATIONS

Gradall (dispersed thru New Phila Schools) – Project Lead the Way donation of \$1,428.57
Riley Milburn and the Boys’ Bowling Team (Riley All-State Runner-up and team 14th at State)
Boys’ and Girls’ Wrestling Teams with Cam Stout placing 8th at State
Mock Trial – State participants
Justin Jones and workers for running a successful Girls’ State Semi-Final game at the High School

25-028 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Elizabeth Morris spoke in support of the students’ right to form a religious group, God’s Gang, and hold meetings in their spare time at Claymont High School.

25-029 ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Administrators respectfully submitted written updates and were included in the Board packets.

Director of Curriculum – *Mrs. Miles*

Director of Special Services – *Mrs. O’Connor*

High School Principal – *Mrs. Barnhart*: Also reported that the Mock Trial team performed amazingly at the state tournament. There were originally 254 teams that were narrowed to 31 to participate at State. Claymont is the only team in Tuscarawas County to advance to State two years in a row.

Middle School Principal – *Mr. Watkins*

Intermediate School Principal – *Mrs. Marsh*: Also reported that our Guys with Ties program was featured in Beyond the Game and Claymont was selected to nominate to send one of our guys to Columbus to meet The Ohio State football team on April 1st. The nominee will be selected through the teacher referral system.

Primary School Principal – *Mrs. Cook*

Transportation/Cafeteria – *Eric Henry*

Building & Grounds Supervisor – *Bradon Smith*

Technology Director – *William Bonanno*

Cafeteria (The Nutrition Group) – *Mrs. Warther*

Superintendent – Mr. Rentsch discussed being a joint partner with the East Central Ohio ESC for the Business Advisory Council and their 2025 Joint Statement that had to be made public by March 1st (handout). Also reviewed some of the items Governor DeWine introduced in the biennial budget.

Finance Committee - Mrs. Grandison, Mr. Rentsch and Mrs. Beckley spoke on behalf of the Finance Committee which met on March 6th. With the introduction of the biennial budget from Governor DeWine and the simulations provided for fiscal year 2026 and fiscal year 2027, unless something changes as the budget progresses through the House and the Senate, the district will lose \$749,845

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the first year and an additional \$780,764 the following year of state funding. The inputs for the Fair School Funding formula were updated to reflect current local share inputs, but left the state share at FY22 inputs. Funding for community schools and private schools are receiving increases, while public schools are decreasing. An option of moving inside millage within the 10-mill limitation from a current expense allocation to a permanent improvement allocation was discussed. In order to do this, a public meeting must be held to explain and receive feedback from the community.

25-030 TREASURER’S REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS, ITEMS A – D

Mrs. Beckley reviewed the February financial presentation. Upon the recommendation of the Treasurer, Ms. Campbell made the motion, and Mrs. Grandison seconded the motion that the Board approve the recommended items:

- A. **APPROVE** the Financial Report for the Month of February 2025, as presented.
- B. **APPROVE** the Payment of Bills for February 2025, as presented.
- C. **APPROVE** the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of February 10, 2024, as presented.
- D. **ACCEPT** the donation from Gradall for PLTW for \$1,428.57.

On roll call vote: Ms. Campbell, yes; Mrs. Grandison, yes; Mr. Peters, yes; Mrs. Wolf, yes. Motion carried.

25-031 SUPERINTENDENT’S RECOMMENDATIONS, ITEMS A – N

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, Ms. Campbell made the motion, and Mr. Peters seconded the motion that the Board approve the recommended items:

- A. **ACCEPT** the resignation for retirement purposes for MaryJane Garan effective June 5, 2025.
- B. **ACCEPT** the resignation of Courtney Beckley as HS Math Teacher effective the conclusion of 2024-2025 school year.
- C. **EMPLOY** the following individuals under a one (1) year limited contract for the 2025-2026 school year, pending proper pre-employment checks and credentialing:
 - Ayla Holmes, Speech and Language Pathologist, MA Step 0
 - Brianna Page, High School Math, BA Step 0
- D. **EMPLOY** the following individuals under a one (1) year limited contract with a 90-day

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probationary period pending employment proper credentialing,
Stephanie Lendon, Inter. Educ. Aide, Step 0, effective Feb. 18, 2025
Brooke Grove, Inter. Educ. Aide, Step 0, effective March 19, 2025

- E. **APPROVE** the payment of \$20 p/h for a curriculum meeting work on March 5, 2025 for the following individuals:

Angela Grewell	Heather Sulzener
Amber Roberts	Lindsey Tulak
Shawna Hupp	

- F. **APPROVE** Laura Peters as Middle School Math Department Head for the 2024-2025 school year.

- G. **APPROVE** the use of Claymont City school buses for YMCA summer programming with all costs charged to the YMCA.

- H. **APPROVE** the agreement with Muskingum Valley Educational Service Center and Claymont City Schools for Teacher of the Visually Impaired and Orientation and Mobility, as presented.

- I. **APPROVE** the list of 2025 Spring Drama volunteers:

<u>Program</u>	<u>Box Office/Concessions Only</u>
Nathan Douglas	Herb Cotton II
Amanda Douglas	Natalie Colaner
Seth Rhodes	Mike Bonanno
Chelsea Rhodes	Candy Bonanno
Cory Spinell	Kendra Host
Michelle Hallman	Cyndy Host
Heather Dotts	
Kraig Host	

- J. **APPROVE** the FY 26 MOU for SNAP-Ed with the Ohio State University Extension, as presented.

- K. (Tabled) **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

- L. **APPROVE** the AIA Document A133 between Beaver Constructors and Claymont City Schools for the construction of the school-based health clinic, as presented.

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- M. **APPROVE** the 2025-2026 Responsible Use Computer Policy, as presented.
- N. **APPROVE** the following substitutes for the 2024-2025 school year pending all proper credentials.

Classified:

Name	Bus Driver	Cook	Custodian	Secretary	Aide
Samantha Virtue (Monday & Friday)		X		X	X
Nancy Rinderknecht					X

On roll call vote: Ms. Campbell, yes; Mr. Peters, yes; Mrs. Grandison, yes; Mrs. Wolf, yes. Motion carried.

25-032 ATHLETIC DIRECTOR'S RECOMMENDATIONS, ITEMS O – P

Mrs. Grandison made the motion, and Ms. Campbell seconded the motion that the Board approve the recommended items:

- O. **APPROVE** the following athletic supplemental recommendations from Justin Jones, AD:

24/25 Spring Weight Lifting

Jon McCluskey

25/26 Volleyball

Reagan Parsons - Freshman

Madisyn Rummell - JH

25/26 Cross Country

Adam Rogers - Head

Mark Albaugh - Assist

Golf

Brennan Rentsch/Brett Rentsch Co Boy's Head

Brian Duvall - JH

25/26 Faculty Manager

Carl Sowers

25/26 Football

Buddy White - Head

Jon McCluskey - Assist.

Terin Harris - Assist.

Khyree Woody - Assist.

Troy Beckley - Assist.

Wayne Matsel - Equip. Mgr.

Travis Poland - JH

Vince Terakedis - JH

Todd Giumentti - JH

Mike Pulley - JH

25/26 Fall Weightlifting

Stacey Patterson

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Sharon Grove - Head
Shannon Beckley - Freshman
Kennedy Beckley – Co-JH
Heather Fair – Co-JH

25/26 Girls' Tennis

Rich Struchen

P. **APPROVE** the following athletic volunteer recommendations from Justin Jones, AD:

25/26 Cheerleading

DeeAnne McCoy
Morgan Tantarelli

24/25 Softball

Robert Wallace
Dave Smith

On roll call vote: Mrs. Grandison, yes; Ms. Campbell, yes; Mr. Peters, abstain; Mrs. Wolf, yes. Motion carried.

Special meeting was set for Thursday, March 20th at 5p for the Public Hearing regarding moving inside millage, but was later determined that certain timelines need followed and that was too soon for a meeting.

Meeting Adjourned

Ms. Campbell made the motion, and Mrs. Wolf seconded the motion that the regular board meeting of the Claymont City Board of Education be adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 6:47pm.

Next Meeting: Regular Meeting: April 14, 2025 @ 6:00pm at Claymont Administrative Office

Approved: _____
President

Attest: _____
Treasurer