

**Claymont City Schools  
Board of Education  
Regular Meeting  
December 12, 2016  
6:30 p.m.**

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The Claymont City School District Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, December 12, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. in the Administrative Office with Mr. Cottrell presiding.

**ROLL CALL:** Present –Mr. Abbuhl, Mrs. Grant, Mr. Shamel, Mrs. Host, Mr. Cottrell

**Visitors and Personnel** – The following personnel and visitors were present: John Rocchi, Superintendent; Lori Statler, Treasurer; Jodie Miles, Curriculum Director; Lisa Brown, High School Principal; Eric Henry, Assistant High School Principal; Michele Henry, Assistant Middle School Principal; Richard Page, Intermediate School Principal; Beth DiDonato, Elementary School Principal; Eric Seibert, Primary School Principal; Dan Armstrong, Buildings & Grounds Supervisor; Tracey Peterman, Cafeteria & Transportation Supervisor; Scott Beckley, Athletic Director; Fawn Rose, Nutrition Group; and, Tia Dickey, Charlene O’Hara, Josh Hershberger, and Anna Hershberger, members of the public.

**Introduction of Visitors** – Questions and Comments

(In order for the Board to fulfill its obligation to complete the planned agenda in an effective and efficient manner, a maximum of thirty minutes of public participation is scheduled. A district resident who wishes to address the Board must inform the Superintendent at least one 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. No presentation shall exceed five minutes on a topic of discussion. 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 people to speak for the group. 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.)

**Additions and/or Corrections to the Agenda** –The addendum was accepted as presented.

**Items to be pulled and voted upon separately** – None

**Buildings & Grounds Update** – Mr. Armstrong discussed the following items: He is working with Wood Electric to correct the lighting issue at the High School; they are trying to come up with a solution and he hopes to have it corrected after Christmas; he is trying to hold off until new technology is available; and, snow plows are on and the first snow removal went well.

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Mr. Shamel asked when stickers for the Primary would be ready. Mr. Armstrong responded that they are coming this week.

Mr. Cottrell asked if the salt supply was good. Mr. Armstrong responded that it was.

**Cafeteria Update** – Mrs. Rose discussed the following items: Yogurt samples were given out at the Primary and Elementary and “Molly the Cow” visited the buildings.

Mr. Cottrell asked what the kitchens are doing if there is a 2 hour delay. Mrs. Rose responded that munchables are not available but the regular menu is prepared unless it is a difficult item.

**Transportation Update** – Mrs. Peterman stated that things are going smooth and had nothing else to report.

Mr. Abbuhl asked if she had spoken with a parent about bussing. Mrs. Peterman responded that the issue was resolved.

**Curriculum Report** – Mrs. Miles discussed the following items: There were 7 gifted referrals and each building will be completing the creativity assessments through January; end of course exam retakes will be held January 3<sup>rd</sup> through 13<sup>th</sup>; if the legislature votes to change graduation requirements 27 students would be affected; if the 18 point graduation requirement is kept, 53 students will be impacted; and, OGT testing results were released and she listed results.

**Buckeye Career Center Report** – Mrs. Host stated that Wednesday Buckeye will be hosting the annual masonry skills competition.

**Principal’s Reports** – Mr. Page discussed the following: 25 students went to the Polar Express; he thanked the Dennison fire department and police department for their support; and, the Christmas program will be Thursday.

Mrs. DiDonato discussed the following: The 3<sup>rd</sup> grade program will be Tuesday at the High School; Santa’s shop will be held Thursday and Friday; Polar Express day is the 20<sup>th</sup>; and, she received chromebooks from a Claymont Foundation grant which will be used for 2<sup>nd</sup> grade.

Mrs. Henry discussed the following: The choir concert was on the 15<sup>th</sup>; Friday there will be a dance; they are trying to keep students focused before the break; and, there is a canned food drive going on.

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Mr. Seibert discussed the following: The Dutch Valley pie sales event went very well; the fire department sponsored a coloring contest and took the winners to lunch in a fire truck; Mrs. Cottrell coordinated free haircuts for students; Santa's shop will be Monday and Tuesday; kindergarten is learning Christmas around the world; 1<sup>st</sup> grade program is Friday; Polar express day is the 19<sup>th</sup>; scores have been improving; and, operation warm through the Uhrichsville fire department will be donating 200 new coats to students.

Mrs. Brown discussed the following: The choir concert was last week; the band concert will be this week; there is a Christmas door project sponsored by the art students; and, the annual Christmas gathering will be the 20<sup>th</sup> with 18 students being served.

**Treasurer's Report** – Mrs. Statler discussed the following: The budget for the State of Ohio for the first 4 months of FY17, reflects a net bottom line negative \$126 million. Governor Kasich has already warned of a possible recession for Ohio. She is confident with the forecasted estimates for this year; however, subsequent years could be significantly impacted and will keep the Board updated as information is received. On a positive note, she just received 2 checks for Medicaid reimbursement in the amount of \$42,021. Since the inception of the Medicaid program in 2013, the District has received \$236,042 in reimbursement.

**16-084 TREASURER'S REPORTS**

Upon recommendation of the Treasurer, Mrs. Host made the motion, and Mr. Shamel seconded the motion that the Board approve the following Treasurer's reports:

- A. Financial Report for the Month of November 2016 as Presented
- B. Payment of Bills as Presented
- C. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 21, 2016
- D. Then & Now Certificate as presented

On roll call vote: Mrs. Host, yes; Mr. Shamel, yes; Mr. Abbuhl, yes; Mrs. Grant, yes; Mr. Cottrell, yes. Motion carried.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:**

- A. Update on the Northside Playground Project:

Mr. Rocchi provided the Board with the final results of the survey regarding the Northside Building. The overwhelming majority would like to see a playground built on the site. He is also looking into grants to secure funding when a final determination is made. At the January meeting he will be asking the Board to approve advertising for bids to demolition the building. He asked Mr. Armstrong

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about the winterization of the building. Mr. Armstrong responded that the water has been turned off. The heat has also been turned off in the building but is still on in the gymnasium; however, there is no water available in the gymnasium.

**16-079 SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS -  
PERSONNEL**

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, Mrs. Grant made the motion, and Mrs. Host seconded the motion that the Board approve Personnel Item B.

**B. Personnel**

Approve the following OAPSE time adjustments due to the finalizing of bus routes effective November 29, 2016:

Juanita Parker, Cook at Claymont Primary School, time increased by 5 minutes new final adjusted time, 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Tammy Butler, Cook at Claymont Elementary School, time decreased by 10 minutes new final adjusted time, 9:45 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Bryanna Baker, Cook at Claymont Middle School, time decreased by 5 minutes new final adjusted time, 6:00 a.m. to 12:55 p.m.

Penny Archer, Cook at Claymont Middle School, time decreased by 5 minutes new final adjusted time, 6:00 a.m. to 12:55 p.m.

Accept the following transfers:

Suzanne Shepherd, Cook at Claymont Elementary School from 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. to Cook at Claymont Elementary from 8:45 a.m. to 12:15 p.m., effective December 5, 2016.

Kelly Powell, POS Cashier at Claymont Middle School from 10:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. to Cook at Claymont Intermediate School from 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., effective December 5, 2016.

Wanda Wardell, Cook at Claymont Intermediate from 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 pm to Cook at Claymont Intermediate from 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., effective December 12, 2016.

Stefenie Armstrong, Bus Driver/P.M. Shuttle #297, 1 Hour and 40 Minutes daily to Bus Driver/P.M. Shuttle #196, 1 Hour and 55 Minutes daily, effective

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Leigh Ann Riker, Breakfast Cook at Claymont Primary School, 1.25 Hours/Daily and Educ. Aide at Claymont Middle School, 3.3 Hours/Daily to Educ. Aide at Claymont Intermediate, 7 Hours/Daily, effective January 3, 2017.

Employ Amber Hairfield as the bus aide for Bus #115 under a 90 day probationary contract effective December 12, 2016.

Employ Miranda Gowins as a temporary Educational Aide at Claymont Intermediate School, effective December 12, 2016 and ending on December 20, 2016.

Approve Susan Monticelli to chaperone the Mock Trial competitions on the following dates:

January 7 & 8, 2017 to Cincinnati as well as to the competition in New Philadelphia on January 20, 2017. If the teams win they will travel on to Akron and possibly Columbus.

Approve the following resignations:

Jordan Beebe, JH Boys' Track Coach  
Rich Struchen, Varsity Boys' Tennis and Varsity Boys' Golf

Approve the following substitutes for the 2016-2017 school year pending receipt of all required documentation:

Certified

Jennifer Caswell

Classified

Beth Kinsey	Custodian
Cindy Shinaberry	Educ. Aide, Cook, Secretary and Bus Aide

On roll call vote: Mrs. Grant, yes; Mrs. Host, yes; Mr. Abbuhl, yes; Mr. Shamel, yes; Mr. Cottrell, yes. Motion carried.

**16-086 SUPERINTENDENT'S ITEMS C THROUGH E**

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, Mr. Shamel made the motion, and Mr. Abbuhl seconded the motion that the Board approve Items C through E.

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- C. Approve membership in the Ohio School Boards Association for 2017 at a cost of \$5,277.
- D. Acknowledge the Casa Di Bella Salon for providing free haircuts and services to students at Claymont Primary School.
- E. Commendations to the following Students of the Month:

Claymont High School

Freshman Candace Crutchfield  
Sophomore Taylor Jackson  
Junior Ethan Huston  
Senior McKayla Ferguson

Claymont Middle School

6<sup>th</sup> Grade Brody Butler and Abigael Abarca  
7<sup>th</sup> Grade Jaelyn Taylor and Bayleigh Roth  
8<sup>th</sup> Grade Dakota Maze and Rosellen Short

Claymont Intermediate School

4<sup>th</sup> Grade Reece Hudnall and Joey Gastaldo  
5<sup>th</sup> Grade Madison Fox and Paige Wallick

Claymont Elementary School

2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Kayden Mercer, Kimberly Patrick, Owen Lindsey, Aiden Sanner, Serenitee Portillo, Brinley Poland and Hershel Burroway  
3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Braelynn Hahn, Whitney Watkins, Carson Golec, Sophia Berni, Cassidy Wright, Rylee Sutton and Connor McPeek

Claymont Primary School

Kindergarten Joceylen Clingerman, Mason Ricklic, Sam Shaw, Brody Haney, Garrett Fierbaugh, Logan Hall, Jaxx Willis and Emmett Fierbaugh  
1<sup>st</sup> Grade Hadley Abel, Rylee Tarbert, Zella VanScoy, Brianna Brooks, Keedan Smith, RJ Ferguson, Bobby Wilsterman, Dorian Harris, Jonas Bloom-Lenarz

On roll call vote: Mr. Shamel, yes; Mr. Abbuhl, yes; Mrs. Grant, yes; Mrs. Host, yes; Mr. Cottrell, yes. Motion carried.

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**16-087 2017 ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING**

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, Mrs. Grant made the motion, and Mrs. Host seconded the motion that the Board set the Organizational Meeting for 2017 for January 11, 2017 to begin at 6:15 p.m. with the regular meeting to follow

On roll call vote: Mrs. Grant, yes; Mrs. Host, yes; Mr. Abbuhl, yes; Mr. Shamel, yes; Mr. Cottrell, yes. Motion carried.

**16-088 APPOINT PRESIDENT PRO-TEMPORE**

Mrs. Host made the motion, and Mrs. Grant seconded the motion that the Board appoint Mr. Cottrell as President Pro-Tempore for the organizational meeting.

On roll call vote: Mrs. Host, yes; Mrs. Grant, yes; Mr. Abbuhl, yes; Mr. Shamel, yes; Mr. Cottrell, yes. Motion carried.

**16-089 CLAYMONT PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD**

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, Mrs. Grant made the motion, and Mr. Shamel seconded the motion that the Board approve the reinstatement of Christine Curtiss to serve a seven-year term (January 1, 2017 through 2023) on the Claymont Public Library Board.

On roll call vote: Mrs. Grant, yes; Mr. Shamel, yes; Mr. Abbuhl, yes; Mrs. Host, yes; Mr. Cottrell, yes. Motion carried.

**16-090 EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS THE EMPLOYMENT OF PERSONNEL**

Mr. Abbuhl made the motion, and Mrs. Grant seconded the motion that the Board go into Executive Session to discuss the employment of personnel with no action to follow, time 6:53 p.m. On roll call vote: Mr. Abbuhl, yes; Mrs. Grant, yes; Mr. Shamel, yes; Mrs. Host, yes; Mr. Cottrell, yes. Motion carried.

Mr. Cottrell declared the executive session ended at 7:39 p.m.

**Meeting Adjourned**

Mr. Shamel made the motion, and Mrs. Grant seconded the motion that the regular board meeting of the Claymont City Board of Education be adjourned. On roll call vote: Mr. Shamel, yes; Mrs. Grant, yes; Mr. Abbuhl, yes; Mrs. Host, yes; Mr. Cottrell, yes. Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
President

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Treasurer