Claymont City Schools
Board of Education
Regular Meeting
November 21, 2016
6:30 p.m.

The Claymont City School District Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, November 21, 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

Moment of Silence – Mr. Cottrell asked those in attendance for a moment of silence in remembrance of Bill Hutchison.

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; Brian Watkins, Middle School Principal; Michele Henry, Assistant Middle School Principal; Richard Page, Intermediate School Principal; Beth DiDonato, Elementary School Principal; Holly Hall, Director of Special Education; Dan Armstrong, Buildings & Grounds Supervisor; Tracey Peterman, Cafeteria & Transportation Supervisor; Scott Beckley, Athletic Director; Fawn Rose, Nutrition Group; John Baker, Times Reporter; and, Stacie Bowman, Jane Lasiecki, Linn Mahaffey, Scott Buxton, Eric Peterson, Sarah Robinson, J. Gunnoe, 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.)

Claymont Intermediate Students Choir Presentation – Mrs. Robinson, Intermediate School music teacher brought 4 or her students, Bree Bowman, Ella Fawcett, Maggie Lesiecki, and Kurtis Haney, for a presentation of what they do in their class to prepare students for band and choir. The students played instruments and sang. They also taught the Board a song and how to play an instrument.

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Senior Pictures Presentation – Mrs. Brown, High School Principal, gave each Board Member a copy of the senior picture guidelines that are distributed to students prior to their senior year. She gave a presentation as to why senior pictures are taken and explained that they are used for other purposes. She also gave examples of what the guidelines require and explained why.

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: There are issues at the High School with the automated lighting control system as 2 of the 4 controllers are not working; he is working to install new systems in the breaker boxes as they also control the fire alarm system; the Trane system upgrade is in and is working with the exception of computer graphics; dirt has been installed and leveled at both the baseball field and softball field; the gas line project at the bus garage is complete; fingerprinting locks are installed and working at the stadium; he just received the Middle School gym ventilation quote but needs to review it for content; he is waiting for quotes on chair lifts for the Primary and Elementary gyms; and, another water line has corroded at Northside and he is looking into draining all lines to allow for winterization of the entire building.

Mrs. Grant asked why the building was not already winterized. Mr. Armstrong responded that he was waiting until a final determination was made regarding the building.

Mr. Abbuhl asked if the area at the High School which had water damage was taken care of. Mr. Armstrong responded that those types of repairs are done on a continuous basis and are caused by a relief valve.

Mr. Cottrell asked if the Village of Dennison was going to pave Third Street. Mr. Armstrong responded that he was not sure.

Mr. Rocchi asked if the bleachers at the High School could be used if only partially extended. Mr. Armstrong responded that they could but past experience has always resulted in damage and costly repairs if they were not fully extended.

Cafeteria Update – Mrs. Rose discussed the following items: She has been working a lot at the High School where numerous ala carte items have been added; they are also adding more extras to the lunch options and this has resulted in an increase of 10-15 lunches per day; staff lunches have been a huge success; and, turkey carvings were done at the Middle and High Schools.

Transportation Update – Mrs. Peterman discussed the following items: The 3 drivers who had been out are back; the routes need to be updated on the website; she has had 15 people call about the sign for bus drivers needed; and, she has not had anyone sign up to take the required class.

Special Education & Preschool Report – Ms. Hall discussed the following items: She gave a list of special education reevaluations and initial evaluations for November; she received the Step Up To Quality rating renewal; parent reading night was November 17th and over 90 people participated; she received notice that the Preschool is in full compliance with the change of location; she gave Preschool enrollment information; and, gave a list upcoming events with dates.

Curriculum Report – Mrs. Miles discussed the following items: She gave information regarding gifted referrals; she explained changes that are being made to increase the identification of gifted students; the reading festival was on November 5th at New Towne Mall; Third grade fall ELA testing was completed; OGTs were given; and, fall end of course testing will begin the first week of January.

Buckeye Career Center Report – Mrs. Host stated that Buckeye had an open house last week with approximately 300 students in attendance. The open house was done while school was in session which gave prospective students a better idea of what they could expect as a student at Buckeye.

Principal's Reports – Mr. Beckley discussed the following: Fall season went well and the winter season is now underway; Boys' basketball uniforms were missing and 15 new freshman jerseys had to be purchased; looking to purchase new varsity uniforms next year; the bowling team is having a fund raiser which will involve a concert at the High School; and, evaluations are done for all fall coaches.

Mrs. Brown discussed the following: The choir concert and play were very good; red ribbon/tobacco free week is currently underway; Mrs. Warden took student athletes to read to the 2nd and 3rd graders; the junior class is taking a fieldtrip to the University of Akron; and, student council is holding a blood drive.

Mr. Watkins discussed the following: There will be changes to the AR auction as they did not generate enough funds; Blooms Printing donated 1,000 tickets for the 7th and 8th grade raffle for the Washington D.C. trip; student council is doing a turkey feather drive to raise funds to provide meals for families; and, after school tutoring is going well.

Mrs. Didonato discussed the following: She worked with Mr. Seibert to coordinate parent teacher conferences as there were 60 families with students in both buildings; PTO did a Yankee Candle fund raiser which netted $9,000; testing went well;1,600 books were read during right to read week: through jeans day collections they will be

providing families with Thanksgiving dinners; and, gave dates for various events that will take place in December.

Mr. Page discussed the following: The Veterans Day program was a success; the Christmas program will be held at the Middle School; and, 20 students will be taken on the Polar Express.

16-078 TREASURER'S REPORTS

Upon recommendation of the Treasurer, Mrs. Grant 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 October 2016 as Presented
B. Payment of Bills as Presented
C. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 10, 2016
D. Then & Now Certificate as presented
E. Approve the following Student Activity Budget and Purpose Statements as presented:

Class of 2017	Class of 2018	HS National Honor Society
HPAC	Pep Club	Future Teachers of America
Drama Club	Cyber Club	MS Student Council
TI/SADD	Art Club	Facility Dog Project
HS Yearbook	French Club	HS Student Council
Industrial Tech	Spanish Club	TC3

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

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

A. Update on the Northside Playground Project:

Mr. Rocchi provided the Board with an update regarding the results of the survey. There were 441 responses with the breakdown as follows:

- Is there a need for a playground/community center in Dennison – 83% said yes
- Do students who attend the Intermediate need a playground – 83% said yes
- Would there be benefits to the community to have a playground constructed on the site of the Northside building – 75% said yes
- Is there a need for more parking spaces around the Intermediate/Central office buildings – 64% said yes

- Would you support the Northside building being razed to build a community accessible playground which would incorporate the current gym being utilized as a community center – 74% said yes
- Should Third Street remain gated even if a playground is constructed on the Northside property – 80% said yes

Mr. Cottrell announced that the Board would now listen to public comments regarding the Northside Building with a limit of 15 minutes.

Lynn Mahaffey addressed the Board with the following comments: She has spent one-quarter of her life at the Northside Building. She asked the Board to please not get rid of it. She described her experiences as a child in and around the building. She feels the building represents the community. She does not believe that Dennison needs another playground. She asked the Board to consider keeping the building. She feels it has been let go and not taken care of. She does not want to lose the history of the school district.

Jennine Gunnoe asked the Board if there were any grants to fix the building and feels it should not be torn down.

Mr. Abbuhl asked if we had dollar figures on what it would cost to maintain the building. Mr. Rocchi responded that information is available on the website.

16-079 SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS - PERSONNEL

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

B. Personnel

Approve the following OAPSE positions be eliminated and created:

Cook at Claymont Elementary from 9:30 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. changed to Cook at Claymont Elementary from 8:45 A.M. to 12:15 P.M.

Cook at Claymont Intermediate from 9:30 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. changed to Cook at Claymont Intermediate from 9:00 A.M. to 12:30 P.M.

Approve the following resignations effective immediately:

Kelsi Barnhart	HS Science Fair Advisor
Eric Peterson	Assistant Girls' Track Coach

Zach Golec	Reserve Boys' Basketball Coach
Dave O'Hara	9th Grade Boys' Basketball Coach
Annette Mathias	Bus Aide, Bus #115, effective November 1, 2016

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

Eric Peterson	Head Boys' Track Coach
Zach Golec	7th Grade Girls Basketball Coach
Rod Bonamico	Reserve Boys' Basketball Coach
Melanie VanMeter	Mat Maid Advisor
Dallas Lynn	9th Grade Boys' Basketball Coach
Rhea Septer	Volunteer Bowling Coach
Ashley Bendle	Reserve Softball Coach
Chad Lynch	Volunteer 7/8th Grade Boys' Basketball
Robert Rennicker	Volunteer Baseball Coach
Robert Johnson	Volunteer Baseball Coach

Approves the payment of $100.00 to Evan Hasemeyer who served as the Athletic Trainer during the Division III Volleyball Tournament.

Accept the following transfers:

Susan Baumberger, Educ. Aide at Claymont Preschool, 4 Hours/Daily, 4 Days/Weekly, to Educational Aide at Claymont Preschool, 7 Hours/Daily, 4 Days/Weekly effective October 17, 2016.

Annette Mathias, Bus Aide, to Custodian at the Primary and Intermediate Schools effective November 2, 2016.

Shannon Tarbert, Educ. Aide at Claymont Intermediate to Secretary at Claymont Primary School, effective December 1, 2016.

Approve the following transfers effective November 29, 2016:

Darlene Walker, cook at Claymont Intermediate School 3.5 Hours/Daily to cook/cashier at Claymont High School 2.25 Hours/Daily.

Danielle Dickey, PM shuttle bus driver 2 Hours/Daily to bus route #113 4 Hours/Daily.

Employ the following classified employees under a 90 day probationary contract:

Naomi Hicks, Educational Aide at Claymont Preschool, 4 Hours/Daily, 140 Days/Yearly, prorated for the remainder of the 2016-2017 school year, effective October 31, 2016.

Keisha Peters, Educational Aide at Claymont Preschool, 4 Hours/Daily, 140 Days/Yearly, prorated for the remainder of the 2016-2017 school year, effective October 31, 2016.

Stefenie Armstrong, Bus Driver/P.M. Shuttle, 1 Hour and 40 Minutes daily, effective October 17, 2016.

Employ Joel Kunkle as an after school tutor, maximum 2 Days/Weekly, 2 Hours/Daily, paid $20/Hourly from Title I Neglected Funds, effective November 7, 2016 and concluding once funds are exhausted.

Approve Gayle Underwood as a substitute school bus driver for the 2016-2017 school year, pending receipt of all required documentation.

Approve Indoor Track for the 2016-2017 school year with the following volunteer coaches:

Eric Peterson Adam Rogers

Approve a request from Miss Sydnee Peters for permission for her and / or her educational aides to transport students to various community sites in order to provide a more community based education for her students. Miss Peters and/or her educational aides will use their personal vehicles

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

<u>Classified</u>

Olivia Botkin	John W. Clark	Corrie Cox
Stuart Darfus	Reid Geibel	Miranda Gowins
Leah Shafer	Mark Spade	Alexander Strickmaker
Jennifer Stutzman		

<u>Certified</u>

Staci Barker	Educ. Aide, Secretary and Bust Aide
Dusty Milburn	Educ. Aide, Cook, Secretary, Bus Aide and Custodian

Approve the following tuition reimbursements for the 2015-2016 school year (omitted from October 2016 agenda):

	Semester Hrs.	Semester Hrs.	Quarter Hrs.	Semester Hrs	
Name	2015-2016	$75	$70	2014-2015	Total
Golec, Zachary		9			$675.00
Grewell, Angela	1				$100.00
Pellegrino, Lindsey	6				$600.00
Total					$1375.00

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

16-080 SUPERINTENDENT'S ITEMS C THROUGH F

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, Mr. Shamel made the motion, and Mrs. Host seconded the motion that the Board approve Items C through F.

C. Approve the Kidslink Agreement for Provision of Consultation Services contract as per Mediation Agreement as presented.

D. Approve the following local attorneys and volunteers who have agreed to serve as the legal advisors for the mock trial teams this year. They will be accompanying the teams to Cincinnati on January 7 & 8, 2017 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.

Brad Hillyer	Travis Collins	Christy Collins
J.J. Ong	Leann Ong	Diana Dudgeon
Amy Rossi	Patty Birney	Audrey Caley

E. Approve a bus driver physical from Dr. Deborah Scott of Trinity Medical Group for a substitute driver who is employed by another district.

F. Commendations to the following Students of the Month:

<u>Claymont High School</u>
Freshman Tori Ledford
Sophomore Trinity Hill
Junior Jerome Tucker
Senior Dylan McKibben

Claymont Middle School

6th Grade	Bryce Murray and Arianna Terakedis
7th Grade	Lane Craigo and McKinnsy McKain
8th Grade	Abagayle Collins and Isaiah Stemple

Claymont Intermediate School

4th Grade	Makyah Maple and Stockton Young
5th Grade	Peyton Halsey and Zoey Rummell

Claymont Elementary School

2nd Grade	Ali Robson, Tyler Striker, Adryannah Malone, Jeremy Haver, Braylon Hendrix, Niall Hallman and Madison Gladstone
3rd Grade	Kiara Vandine, Mason Houston, Leah Brant, Joshua Spreainde, Isaac Kohler, Austin Pulley and Cadi Aul

Claymont Primary School

Kindergarten	Taylor Mosley, Chloe Dean, Sadie Hatfield, Noah Stringer, Aubree Potts, Malakai Jackson, Dino Mecomonaco and Aria Lichty
1st Grade	Luke Henry, Wyatt Greenwalt, Jayde Cochran, Brayden Newman, Sam Smith, Jazlyn Beam, Luke Toland, Jazmyn Hayes and Elly Peters

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

Mrs. Statler explained the purpose of the resolution to invoice ECOT for non-substantiated expenditures. She stated that the Ohio Department of Education performed a review to determine the amount of time that students were actively engaged in ECOT on-line. ECOT could only substantiate 20% of the time that is required to educate students; therefore, we are invoicing ECOT for 80% of Claymont funds that were sent to ECOT for services not received by our students.

16-081 RESOLUTION TO INVOICE ECOT FOR NON-SUBSTANTIATED EXPENDITURES

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, Mrs. Host made the motion, and Mr. Abbuhl seconded the motion that the Board approve the resolution to invoice ECOT for non-substantiated expenditures:

WHEREAS, it is the statutory duty of the Claymont City School District Board of Education to deliver the educational programs and services to the school children of the Claymont City School District, and

WHEREAS, the members of the Board are elected by the Claymont school community to ensure an effective, efficient, vibrant and productive system, and

WHEREAS, the elected board of education is responsible to the community including taxpayers, parents and other patrons, as well as the state, and

WHEREAS, the Electronic Classroom Of Tomorrow (ECOT) now extracts over 100 million dollars ANNUALLY from public school districts across the State of Ohio, and

WHEREAS, school district boards of education have no control of students, financing, educational programming and student outcomes who enroll in ECOT, and

WHEREAS, ECOT demonstrates low academic performance compared to traditional public schools, and
WHEREAS, the Claymont City School District has had deducted and lost from state funding a total of $268,823.14 in state AND local funding to ECOT over the period FY 2003 to FY 2016, and

WHEREAS, ECOT can only account for student participation for 20% of the time required, and

WHEREAS, the Claymont City School District Board of Education has a fiduciary responsibility to the students and taxpayers of the District, be it therefore

RESOLVED that the Board of Education direct the Treasurer of the District to invoice ECOT for 80% of the funds extracted from the Claymont City School District for ECOT students, at a grand total of $215,058.51.

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

16-082 BUS ROUTES FOR THE 2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, Mr. Shamel made the motion, and Mrs. Grant seconded the motion that the Board approve bus routes for the 2016-2017 school year as presented.

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

16-083 EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS THE EMPLOYEMENT OF PERSONNEL

Mr. Abbuhl made the motion, and Mrs. Host seconded the motion that the Board go into Executive Session to discuss the employment of personnel, time 7:52 p.m. On roll call vote: Mr. Abbuhl, yes; Mrs. Host, yes; Mrs. Grant, yes; Mrs. Host, yes; Mr. Cottrell, yes. Motion carried.

Mr. Cottrell declared the executive session ended at 9:38 p.m.

Meeting Adjourned
Mr. Shamel made the motion, and Mrs. Host 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. Host, yes; Mr. Abbuhl, yes; Mrs. Grant, yes; Mr. Cottrell, yes. Meeting adjourned at 9:39 p.m.

Approved: _____
President

Attest: _____
Treasurer