Claymont City Schools
Board of Education
Regular Meeting
December 14, 2020
5:30 p.m.

The Claymont City School District Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, December 14, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. in the Administrative Office with Mr. Beckley presiding. The meeting was broadcasted through YouTube on the District's website and the video is posted under Minutes on the Treasurer's page on Claymont's website.

ROLL CALL: Present – Mr. Beckley, Mrs. Sproul, Mr. Fawcett (by zoom), Mr. Miles, Mr. Trimmer.

Visitors and Personnel – The following personnel were present: Brian Rentsch, Superintendent; Kim Beckley, Treasurer; and Eric Henry, Assistant High School Principal.

20-111 BOARD DISCUSSION

Mr. Beckley stated the Boardsmanship 101 discussion was started last month to enlighten the staff and residents of the function of the School Board. Mr. Miles began his presentation speaking of the appreciation and respect he has for Joe Pangrazio Sr. and how he taught him that life is all about angles. He then spoke of the roles of board members: avoids making administrative decisions or second guessing the decisions made; no administrative power; obtains facts, but remembers that the administration runs the district; the district is a reflection of his/her actions; and makes decisions on current mission and vision adopted by the Board.

20-112 EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Beckley made the motion, and Mrs. Sproul seconded the motion that the Board go into Executive Session to discuss employment; preparing for, conducting, or reviewing negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment; and matters required to be kept confidential by federal law or regulations or state statutes, time 5:36pm.

On roll call vote: Mr. Beckley, yes; Mrs. Sproul, yes; Mr. Fawcett, yes; Mr. Miles, yes; Mr. Trimmer, yes. Motion carried.

Mr. Beckley declared the executive session ended at 7:09pm.

20-113 ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Buckeye Career Center – *Mrs. Sproul:* BCC remains on a blended schedule; working through multiple quarantines with students; offering virtual tour for potential students.

Business Advisory Council – *Mr. Rentsch:* As presented. Highlighted three new members; reviewed their new plan; and trying to get mentor for Tuscarawas County through grants. Next meeting – February.

Special Education & Preschool Report – *Mrs. O'Connor*: As presented.

Principals' Reports - *Ms. Conn (High School)*: As presented.
Mr. Watkins (Middle School): As presented.
Mrs. DiDonato (Intermediate): As presented.
Mr. Page (Elementary): As presented.
Mr. Seibert (Primary): As presented.

Curriculum Report – *Mrs. Miles*: As presented.

Director of Operations Report – *Mrs. Lint*: As presented.

Mr. Beckley thanked administrators for their reports.

Eric Henry, Assistant High School Principal – Mr. Henry spoke of the new attendance tracking system that is being used this year. The system produces reports to help tackle student absenteeism. The district's goal is 90% attendance rate for graduation. Intervention plans can be created using this information. Discussion was had about creating afterschool programs to make-up school hours missed during the day as part of intervention plans. Applying for 21st Century Grant could fund these activities.

Superintendent Report – *Mr. Rentsch* discussed the following:

- Apportis is: an online platform that makes resources available to students and parents; one stop shop for counseling; first year is being paid for by Ohio Guidestone, with years two and three being possibly funded by grants through the ADDAMS Board and United Way
- Reviewed current enrollment numbers with a grand total of 1,815 students.
- Read an appreciative email from Lisa Walker, coordinator of Tuf Bags, for our wonderful staff
- Spoke again of the new School Funding Plan: passed in the House, but seems to have stalled in the Senate; if passes legislation, funding would be enrollment driven with money received being for who we educate, plus community support; is the most equitable plan that has been presented; phased in over years. Mrs. Beckley reiterated that this new formula will be enrollment driven, so student-teacher ratios will be looked at to determine our current levels.
    - Mr. Beckley spoke of concerns for FY22. If we do not look at further spending cuts and reductions, deficit spending will be approximately $1.8 million. We need to consider options to get our Five Year Forecast in line.

20-114 COMMENDATIONS

Stadium Project Donations
Gary Kimble (Dutch Valley Industries) - $130,000 (in-kind donation)
Robert Archer - $100,000

Anonymous Donor - $1,000 in Honor of Don and Helen Wright
Flex Technologies, Inc - $2,500
Patricia Cameron, Class of 1979 - $25 towards locker sponsor
Steven & Shelley Hasseman - $50
Butch & Marla Watkins - $150
Jeff Wright, Class of 1979 - $20 towards locker sponsor

Donation for Project Lead the Way: The Culpepper Foundation - $2,714.29

Donation to Cyber Club to produce Mustang Minute: Uhrichsville Elks - $2,500

20-115 ADDENDUM ITEMS

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, Mr. Beckley made the motion, and Mrs. Sproul seconded the motion to accept the addendum item as presented: Accept the resignation for retirement purposes for Melody Foster-Sweitzer, Grade 2 effective May 29, 2021 and voted on with Item C of the regular agenda.

On roll call vote: Mr. Beckley, yes; Mrs. Sproul, yes; Mr. Fawcett, yes; Mr. Miles, yes; Mr. Trimmer, yes. Motion carried.

20-116 TREASURER'S REPORTS, ITEMS A – C

Upon the recommendation of the Treasurer, Mr. Trimmer made the motion, and Mr. Beckley seconded the motion that the Board approve the following Treasurer's items:

A. Financial Report for the Month of November 2020 as presented.
B. Payment of Bills as presented.
C. Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of November 16, 2020 as presented.

On roll call vote: Mr. Trimmer, yes; Mr. Beckley, yes; Mr. Fawcett, yes; Mr. Miles, yes; Mr. Trimmer, yes. Motion carried.

20-117 SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS, ITEMS A – G

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, Mrs. Sproul made the motion, and Mr. Trimmer seconded the motion that the Board approve the recommended items:

A. **APPOINT** Robert Michels to a seven-year term to the Claymont Public Library board beginning January 1, 2021 - December 31, 2027.

B. **AMEND** the non-athletic supplementals for the 2020-2021 school year to reflect Mentor Teachers:

Kelsi Barnhart	Mentor Teacher Yr. 1 (Sydney Burns)
April (Crites) Knisely	Mentor Teacher Yr. 2 (Brittany Montanez)
Ian Meiser	Mentor Teacher Yr. 2 (Travus Houghton)

C. **ACCEPT** the resignations for retirement purposes for the following:

Susan Baumberger, Preschool Aide effective April 1, 2021
Sue Clark, Intervention Specialist effective May 29, 2021
Melody Foster- Sweitzer, Grade 2 effective May 29, 2021

D. **APPROVE** the Reduction in Force for the following effective December 7, 2020:

Brandi LeGlise	Bus Driver 1.08 hours daily
Sarah McPherson	Bus Aide 35 minutes daily

E. **APPROVE** the following 2021-2022 fall sports supplementals:

Eric Henry	Head Football
Thom Lesiecki	Assistant Football
Jon McCluskey	Assistant Football
Ed Henry	Equipment Manager
Abbey Mast	Head Volleyball
Lindsey Hummell	JV Volleyball
Adam Rogers	Head Cross Country
Mark Albaugh	Assistant Cross Country
Eric Peterson	JH Cross Country
Rich Struchen	Head Girls' Tennis
Scott Buxton	Head Girls' Golf
Jon McCluskey	Fall Weightlifting

F. **APPROVE** the following winter sports workers:

Courtney Beckley	Ticket Taker and Scoreboard
John Albert	Scoreboard

G. **APPROVE** the following substitute teachers, pending proper license and credentials for the 2020-2021 school year.

Certified
Abigail Weiland

Classified

Name	Educ. Aide	Bus Driver	Cook	Secretary	Bus Aide	Custodian
Courtney Beckley	X			X		

On roll call vote: Mrs. Sproul, yes; Mr. Trimmer, yes; Mr. Beckley, yes; Mr. Fawcett, yes; Mr. Miles, yes. Motion carried.

20-118 ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING 2021

Mrs. Sproul made the motion, and Mr. Miles seconded the motion that the Board set the Organizational Meeting for 2021 for January 11, 2021 to begin at 5:15pm with the regular monthly meeting to follow at 5:30pm at the Claymont Administrative Office

On roll call vote: Mrs. Sproul, yes; Mr. Miles, yes; Mr. Beckley, yes; Mr. Fawcett, yes; Mr. Trimmer, yes. Motion carried.

Mrs. Sproul made the motion, and Mr. Trimmer seconded the motion to nominate Mr. Beckley to serve as the President Pro-Tempore at the Organization Meeting 2021.

On roll call: Mrs. Sproul, yes; Mr. Trimmer, yes; Mr. Beckley, abstain; Mr. Fawcett, yes; Mr. Miles, yes. Motion carried.

Mrs. Sproul made the, and Mr. Miles seconded the motion to close nominations for President Pro-Tempore.

On roll call: Mrs. Sproul, yes; Mr. Miles, yes; Mr. Beckley, abstain; Mr. Fawcett, yes; Mr. Trimmer, yes. Motion carried.

Mrs. Sproul made the motion, and Mr. Trimmer seconded the motion to appoint Mr. Beckley as President Pro-Tempore for the Organization Meeting.

On roll call: Mrs. Sproul, yes; Mr. Trimmer, yes; Mr. Beckley, abstain; Mr. Fawcett, yes; Mr. Miles, yes. Motion carried.

20-119 NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Rentsch gave update on construction projects: Stadium: putting in water and sewer lines, colors picked, building should be erected second week of January. High School Roof: non-academic wing should be done by Christmas. The academic wing will begin early summer.

Mr. Beckley echoed Mr. Rentsch that these projects are being funded through the Permanent Improvement levy that was passed in the spring by Twin City residents for improvements to our facilities. A big thank you goes out again for the community support of the levy.

Mr. Beckley wished everyone a safe and healthy Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from the Board of Education.

Meeting Adjourned
Mr. Trimmer made the motion, and Mr. Miles seconded the motion that the regular board meeting of the Claymont City Board of Education be adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 7:54pm.

On roll call vote: Mr. Trimmer, yes; Mr. Miles, yes; Mr. Beckley, yes; Mr. Fawcett, yes; Mrs. Sproul, yes. Motion carried.

Next Meetings: Organizational: January 11, 2021 @ 5:15pm at the Claymont Administrative Office
Regular: January 11, 2021 @ 5:30pm at the Claymont Administrative Office

Approved: _____
President

Attest: _____
Treasurer