Claymont City Schools
Board of Education
Regular Meeting
September 11, 2017
6:30 p.m.

The Claymont City School District Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, September 11, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. in the High School Library with Mrs. Host presiding.

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

Mrs. Host called for a moment of silence after the Pledge of Allegiance in memory of those affected by the horrific events of September 11, 2001.

Visitors and Personnel – The following personnel and visitors were present: John Rocchi, Superintendent; Lori Statler, Treasurer; Jodie Miles, Curriculum Director; Holly Hall, Special Education Director/Preschool Principal; Lisa Brown, High School Principal; Drew Meister, Assistant High School Principal; Brian Watkins, Middle School Principal; Richard Page, Intermediate School Principal; Eric Seibert, Primary School Principal; Dan Armstrong, Buildings & Grounds Supervisor; Tracey Peterman, Transportation Supervisor; Andrea Burlison, Nutrition Group; Dan Lauter, Pepple & Waggoner; and Austin Beckley and James Burlison, members of the public.

Public 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 – Accept addendum as presented.

Items to be pulled and voted upon separately – None.

Nikita Richardson – Ms. Richardson requested to speak regarding the Freedom From Religion (FFR) organization and discussed the following: She is a member of the community, a parent, and a citizen of Claymont Schools. She asked the Board to be still in its decisions that may arise due to FFR. The 1st Amendment is freedom of religion not freedom from religion. She encourages the Board to research the constitution. She believes that FFR uses deceptive tactics, intimidation, and bullying.

She read several passages from the Bible. She sends her kids to school for relationships in addition to reading, writing, and math. She will continue to pray and asks the Board to be still and research and pray.

Buildings & Grounds Report – Mr. Armstrong discussed the following: The sewer line at Northside was located and the contractor is working to replace it; water and gas to the Northside gymnasium will be connected from Central Office; Metal Masters will be replacing the heating/cooling system on the gymnasium; Angelina Stone will be replacing the entrance to improve aesthetics; Bridges Excavating will be bringing in 225 tons of dirt to level the area; additional parking will be provided; the visitors side wall at the stadium has been rebuilt, locker room brick was replaced, and the fire wall between the wrestling room and weight room was repaired; and, paving is complete at the stadium.

Mrs. Host stated that her husband noticed the wall and she is happy that it is fixed and mentioned that it looks very nice.

Mrs. Host asked what the status was with heat issue at the middle school. Mr. Armstrong responded that he is waiting on an estimate from Metal Masters who is looking into an alternative from their original review last year.

Mr. Abbuhl asked why the district was using Metal Masters. Mr. Armstrong responded that there is no contract with them. They prepare the specifications for the district at no cost.

Mrs. Grant thanked Mr. Armstrong for fixing the shirt shack door. She mentioned that there is a gap at the bottom of the fence by the bus garage and was concerned that individuals would be able to access the busses after hours. Mr. Armstrong responded that he would look at the issue.

Mrs. Host asked about stadium key cards. Mr. Armstrong responded that the system is installed and working. The head custodian at the elementary does have access if needed.

Mr. Cottrell stated that plans were drawn up for stadium repairs and wanted to know where we were in the process. Mr. Rocchi responded that JJ Ong with Claymont Foundation is getting paperwork to establish a non-profit organization and once that is done, donations can then be accepted for the project.

Mr. Abbuhl asked if anyone has approached oil & gas or anyone for funding. Mr. Rocchi responded that until the non-profit is established, no donations could be accepted.

Special Education & Preschool Report – Ms. Hall discussed the following: Districts are required to submit a justification to ODE if the number of students participating in Alternative Assessment exceeds 1%; the 2015-2016 special education rating is "meets requirements"; gave special education building contact information; discussed upcoming events and dates; and, gave 2017-2018 enrollment data.

Mr. Cottrell asked where the money from preschool tuition go. Ms. Hall responded that it is used to supplement the preschool as the grant funding we receive does not cover the entire cost of operation.

Curriculum Report – Mrs. Miles discussed the following: The August 21st professional day went well and staff enjoyed the "joy specialist"; K-3 staff began their literacy plan professional development this week; September 18th is the next district wide professional development day; staff will be receiving PublicSchoolWorks training on September 18th; several students were identified as gifted; all third graders will be screened using other testing methods; gave a list of upcoming events and dates; and, Project Lead The Way received a $10,000 donation from the Rosenberry Foundation.

Mrs. Host asked if Star Reading/Math will be used to assess gifted. Mrs. Miles responded that was correct.

Mrs. Host asked how the on-line forms process was going and if the principals have received any feedback. Mr. Watkins responded that there were around 200 parents who had not completed the on-line forms and letters and an all-call was made.

Mrs. Host asked if parents had been offered evening times to come in and utilize the computer labs. Mr. Meister responded that on September 18th chromebooks will be available from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm.

Mr. Cottrell stated that curriculum changing daily. What are some of the upcoming changes? Mrs. Miles responded that there will be revised standards for next year but not this year. Staff will receive professional development to clarify what those changes are.

Principals' Reports – Mrs. Burlison discussed the following: She mentioned that she passed out favors to all board members and will be doing so at every meeting to highlight something new; and, participation numbers are way up at each building.

Mrs. Host asked if we were still serving munchables. Mrs. Burlison responded yes, at the K-5 grades and these count as a meal.

Mr. Cottrell asked who is responsible for the monthly lunch menu. Mrs. Burlison responded that the menu is available on-line and there is a problem with the printable

version. She will make sure that each building has hard copies if parents request those.

Mrs. Peterman discussed the following: She is stressed to the max; she did have 3 drivers off due to medical issues but now that number is down to 1; she believes we need to raise the rate for drivers; and, substitutes are going to districts were everything is paid for.

Mr. Abbuhl asked how many bus subs were used. Mrs. Peterman responded that only the mechanic and herself were subbing.

Mr. Abbuhl asked what the status of the Zonar, student tracking software, was. Mr. Rocchi responded that Tuscarawas county schools were excluded from the grant that paid for Zonar and due to the cost associated, it has not been implemented.

Mr. Shamel asked if the ECOESC could compile a list of bus subs for the entire county. Mr. Rocchi responded that there are just no drivers available and every district is experiencing a shortage.

Mr. Abbuhl asked if paying more to drivers would solve the shortage. Mrs. Peterman responded that she wasn't sure. Mr. Rocchi stated that most drivers want a full-time job and not a 1 hour substitute job.

Mr. Shamel asked if Buckeye could offer an adult education class for school bus drivers. Mrs. Host responded that she would mention that at her next meeting.

Mr. Cottrell asked if bus drivers were permitted to take buses home. Mrs. Peterman responded that they were not permitted to do so and she addressed the issue of a driver doing so in August. Mr. Rocchi responded that the bus camera was pulled and no students were on the bus when it was taken home.

Mr. Watkins discussed the following: There has been a great start to the year; he thanked Mrs. Peterman for changing the bus pick-up so there is no longer a late stop; the tailgate has been cancelled; a staff member of Al Landis did a presentation on the branches of government and the drug epidemic in Ohio; and Jill Wagner was featured in the Times Reporter.

Mr. Abbuhl stated that he was giving his 24 hour notice to tour the building in accordance with Board policy. He also stated that the policy needs to be updated.

Mr. Seibert discussed the following: His staff did an excellent job and the year has started out great; with kindergarten students the beginning of the year is always a challenge; the bus/car pick up is going smoothly; gave out dates/times for upcoming events; he will be evaluating around 20 staff members this year; and, the Primary and

Elementary both participate in the Blessings in Back Packs Grant which provides approximately 70 students with food items every weekend.

Mrs. Brown discussed the following: She thanked Mrs. Peterman and bus drivers for the drop-off change; the drop-off change has helped increase breakfast participation; department heads have met regarding PBIS; a progress monitoring tool will be used in the homerooms; an involvement fair will be held September 15th; gave out events/dates for upcoming events; and, PEAK was started today.

Mr. Meister discussed the following: Attendance incentives have started and are based on homerooms; they are trying to get ownership of classmates; and, points will be accumulated with a trip planned for the end of the year.

Mr. Abbuhl asked about parking spot drawings. Mr. Meister responded that only 2 students have turned in paperwork.

Mrs. Host stated that doing the project in the summer may get more students involved.

Mrs. Grant stated that she heard KSU students did not want to lose their parking spaces in front of the building. Mr. Meister responded that issue was already resolved but did not encourage more participation.

Mr. Page discussed the following: There was a smooth start to the year; the 9/11 pledge was well received; thanked Dennison Fire Department for supplies; and PBIS was a success.

Mr. Cottrell asked if homerooms are numbered on the outside. Mr. Rocchi responded that they are and it is required by fire code.

Mr. Cottrell mentioned that neighboring school districts are allowing concealed carry. He asked what the administration thought of this policy. Mrs. Host thought we should wait and see what happens with other districts. Mr. Armstrong stated that everyone has their own opinions. Mr. Rocchi stated that the policy is normally related to the proximity to first responders and it is a philosophy that the board would have to agree on.

CEA Report – Mrs. O'Connor discussed the following: The beginning of the year went well; teachers are working very hard; she wanted to recognize the hard work of Lauren Castello and Vonda Garabrandt; and, special education and regular education teachers are working together for the students.

Buckeye Career Center Report – Mrs. Host discussed the following: An auction will occur this fall in either October or November; major construction is underway where the restaurant used to be and will be finished in October; OSBA hosted an open house on

August 28th and it was very informative regarding legal changes; and, BCC is hosting the all-county cross country meet.

17-067 TREASURER'S REPORTS

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

A. Financial Report for the Month of August 2017 as Presented
B. Payment of Bills as Presented
C. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 14, 2017
D. Then & Now Certificates as presented

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

17-068 FY 2018 PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS

Upon recommendation of the Treasurer, Mr. Shamel made the motion, and Mrs. Host seconded the motion that the Board approve the FY 2018 Permanent Appropriations, as presented.

Mrs. Statler reported that the total is approximately $24,500,000

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

17-069 SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS – PERSONNEL, ITEM A

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, Mrs. Grant made the motion, and Mr. Cottrell seconded the motion that the Board approve Personnel, Item A:

A. Personnel

Approve the resignation of Lindsay Long, Permanent Substitute Teacher at Claymont Primary School, effective immediately.

Approve the retirement resignation of Larry Ford, High School Science Teacher, effective, November 30, 2017.

Approve the resignation of Holly Hall, Student Growth Committee, effective immediately.

Approve the resignation of Ashley Bendle, JV Softball Coach, effective immediately.

Employ William Bonanno as a fall intern for the technology department, 8 Hrs/Day, 2 Days/Week, $10/Hour effective August 28, 2017 through December 31, 2017.

Approve the following substitutes for the 2017-2018 school year pending receipt of all required documentation:

Certified

Bruce Alexander	Larry Amicone	Jamie Beaber
Kimberly Benson	Dallas Charton	John Clark
Karli Conventry	John Dupke	Sandra Everett
Michelle Ferguson	Keith Green	Janet Harkleroad
Nicole Hickman	Cortney Hutchison	Cody Jerles
Mary Beth McClain	Lori Moody	Stefanie O'Connor
Emily Polce	Danielle Ridgway	Owen Robinson
Michael Spies	Irishe Spurgeon	Erin Stocker
Erin Vogyl	Tyler Watson	Karen Broadwater

Classified

Heather Burdette	Educ. Aide, Secretary & Bus Aide
Jodie McKibben	Educ. Aide & Secretary
Denise Baumberger	Educ. Aide
Dusty Milburn	Educ. Aide
Holly Raderchak	Bus Driver
Jae Lynn Hayes	Custodian
Lori Newell	Cook & Secretary

Approve the following supplemental contracts for the 2016-2017 school year:

Karen Moffitt	2017 Musical- Instrumental Music
Corey Zickel	2017 Musical- Scenic Designer

Approve the following fall athletic workers to be paid a minimum wage:

John Albert	Bob Carpenter
Ray Cottrell	Jody Garabrandt
Stacey Evans	John Finch

Mary Johnson	Robert Johnson
Shannon Tarbert	Jennifer Golec
Mandy Frink	Brenda Seibert

Approve the following supplemental contracts for the 2017-2018 school year pending receipt of all certifications:

Cody Deems	Junior High Football Coach
James Howell	Head Band Director
Lora Cotton	Thespian Advisor, Musical Director, Choreographer, Stage Manager & Vocal Music
Karen Moffitt	Musical-Instrumental Music
Corey Zickel	Musical- Scenic Designer
Scott Buxton	High School Social Studies Department Head
Michele Starkey	Sophomore Class Advisor
Preston Goodie	Freshman Class Advisor
Ian Meiser	Senior Class Advisor
Farrah Raines	Percussion Director
Chad Shumaker	Color Guard
Holly Lloyd	Student Growth Committee
Elizabeth Barrow	High School Fine Arts Department Head

Year One Mentors
Kelsi Barnhart, Julie Beach, Kelli Page & Heather O'Connor

Year Two Mentors
Kelsi Barnhart, Julie Beach, Amber Roberts & Matthew Shuman (Mr. Shuman will be mentoring 2- Two Year Teachers.)

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

17-070 SUPERINTENDENT'S ITEMS B THROUGH F

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, Mr. Cottrell made the motion, and Mr. Shamel seconded the motion that the Board approve Items B through F:

B. Declare that transportation by school conveyance is impractical for the students listed below and agree to pay the parent/guardian in lieu of providing such service. The rate will be established by the Ohio Department of Education:

Jacob & Matthew Jaber

C. Recognize the Tuscarawas County Community Foundation for awarding Project Lead the Way a grant in the amount of $1,000.

D. Recognize The John B. Nolan Fund for Science Education at Stark Community Foundation for awarding the Claymont High School Science Club a grant in the amount of $7,064. The purpose of this grant is restricted for the creation of a Science Club and for purchasing science equipment.

E. Recognize the American Chemical Society for awarding the Claymont High School a Chemistry Grant in the amount of $1,500.

F. Recognize the Uhrichsville Eagles for the donation of school supplies for the 2017-2018 school year.

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

17-071 EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCIPLINE OF PERSONNEL

Mrs. Grant made the motion, and Mr. Abbuhl seconded the motion that the Board go into Executive Session to discuss the discipline of personnel with no action to follow, time 7:37 p.m. On roll call vote: Mrs. Grant, yes; Mr. Abbuhl, yes; Mr. Cottrell, yes; Mr. Shamel, yes; Mrs. Host, yes. Motion carried.

Mrs. Host declared the executive session ended at 8:42 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; Mr. Cottrell, yes; Mrs. Host, yes. Meeting adjourned at 8:43 p.m.

Approved: _____
President

Attest: _____
Treasurer