



## Board of Education Meeting - April 29, 2026 Minutes

7:00 PM

Admin Building Board Room #2 Mark Twain Circle Clayton, MO 63105

Board Present: Mr. Jason Growe, Ms. Chris Win, Mr. Leo Human, Dr. Erin Linnenbringer, Dr Pamela Lyss-Lerman, Ms. Meade Greenberg, and Mr. Ben Beinfeld

Also Present: Dr. Nisha Patel-Superintendent, Dr. Milena Garganigo-Assistant Superintendent of Teaching & Learning, Dr. Cameron Poole-Assistant Superintendent of Equity and Student Services, John Brazeal-Chief Financial Officer, Gina Tarte-Chief Communications Officer, Luke Heitert-Chief Technology Officer, and Heike Janis-Executive Assistant

### 1. Call to Order

- 1.1 Call to Order, Statement of Adequate Notice, Pledge of Allegiance  
The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Adequate notice was provided.
- 1.2 Adoption of Agenda  
**DESCRIPTION:** Adopt the agenda as posted.  
**CONTACT: Board President**  
Move to approve the agenda as posted.  
Moved by: Dr Pamela Lyss-Lerman; seconded by: Ms. Chris Win  
Votes were all aye

**Carried**

### 2. Recognizing Our Own

- 2.1 Recognition  
The Board of Education recognized Jewish American Heritage Month and viewed a video student recorded to honor Jewish American Heritage Month.  
Dante Zou, 12 grade CHS, shared information with the Board members regarding Asian American, Pacific Islander Month and invited everyone to the Taste of Asia event.

### 3. Public Comment

- 3.1 Public Participation at Board Meetings  
No public comments were submitted.

### 4. Superintendent Communication

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Dr. Nisha Patel shared information with the Board of Education and the community.

**5. Student Representative Update**

5.1 Student Representative Update

Nina Satorius, Student Representative to the Board, shared an update with the Board members and the community.

**6. Presentations**

6.1 Facility Updates by Design Team & Construction Management Team

John Brazeal and the team from Paragon, BLDD, and BSI shared an update with the Board of Education.

6.2 English Language Development (ELD) Curriculum

Dr. Milena Garganigo and Sarah Gottemoeller presented the work of the ELD department and shared proposed long-range goals for the ELD curriculum.

Move to approve the ELD review goals, the district written ELD curriculum, and the financials as outlined in the report.

Moved by: Dr Pamela Lyss-Lerman; seconded by: Ms. Chris Win

Votes were all aye.

**Carried**

6.3 World Language Curriculum

Dr. Milena Garganigo and Dr. Michael Crowell presented the work of the World Languages department and shared the proposed long-term goals.

Move to approve the World Languages review goals, the district written World Languages curriculum, and the financials as outlined in the report.

Moved by: Dr Pamela Lyss-Lerman; seconded by: Ms. Chris Win

Votes were all aye.

**Carried**

6.4 Literacy Curriculum

Dr. Milena Garganigo and Julie Paur presented the work of the Literacy department and shared the proposed long-range goals for the literacy curriculum.

Move to approve the revised Literacy review goals, the district written Literacy curriculum, and the financials as outlined in the report.

Moved by: Dr Pamela Lyss-Lerman; seconded by: Ms. Chris Win

Votes were all aye.

**Carried**

**7. Policy**

Policy is how a board sustainably exercises its authority to govern. Through policy, school boards establish cohesive guidelines to advance vision into reality. Missouri School Boards Association (MSBA) provides policy services to the School District of Clayton. Periodically, MSBA recommends policy revisions due to legislative changes at the State and Federal levels, or due to precedent setting court rulings.

7.1 1st Reading - Policy IIA: Instructional Materials

Board members heard the 1st reading of Policy IIA: Instructional Materials.

7.2 1st Reading - Policy IIAC: Instructional Media Centers/School Libraries

Board members heard the 1st reading of Policy IIAC: Instructional Media Centers/School Libraries After some discussion two changes were recommended to the policy and the changes will be sent to MSBA for approval and revision.

- 7.3 1st Reading - IIAC-R1: Instructional Media Centers/School Libraries - Selection and Reconsideration of Materials  
Board members heard the 1st reading of Regulation IIAC-R1: Instructional Media Centers/School Libraries – Selection and Reconsideration of Materials.

## 8. Consent Agenda

*Our adopted rules of Parliamentary Procedure, Robert's Rules, provide for a consent agenda listing several items for approval of the Board by a single motion. Most of the items listed under the consent agenda have gone through Board subcommittee review and recommendation. Documentation concerning these items has been provided to all Board members and the public in advance to assure an extensive and thorough review. Items may be removed from the consent agenda at the request of any board member.*

- 8.1 Requesting Board approval on consent agenda items as listed.  
Move to approve consent agenda items 8.2 through 8.6.  
Moved by: Dr Pamela Lyss-Lerman; seconded by: Ms. Chris Win  
The votes were all aye.

**Carried**

- 8.2 Financial Reporting  
**DESCRIPTION:** This financial report provides an overview of the district's financial activities for the period ended March 31, 2026.  
**CONTACT:** John Brazeal, Chief Financial Officer

[20260331FinancialReport-agenda.pdf](#) 

- 8.3 Disbursement Report  
**DESCRIPTION:** A report detailing disbursements for March, 2026 is attached for Board approval.  
**CONTACT:** John Brazeal, Chief Financial Officer  
Move to approve March 2026 disbursements in the sum of \$2,239,832.61

**Carried**

- 8.4 Personnel  
**DESCRIPTION:**
- Certificated Staff Employment
  - Certificated Staff Resignations and Retirements
  - Classified Staff Employment
  - Classified Staff Resignations and Retirements
  - Part-Time Temporary Employment
  - Substitutes
- CONTACT:** Dr. Kelly Sollberger, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources

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[Substitute Employment.pdf](#) 

Move to approve the personnel actions as presented.

**Carried**

8.5 Donations  
**DESCRIPTION:** On behalf of the District, the Board of Education would like to thank the Optimist Club of Clayton for their generous donation of \$3,500 to the high school robotics team.  
**CONTACT:** Board President  
Move to approve the donation as presented.

**Carried**

8.6 Approval of Minutes  
**DESCRIPTION:** Requesting approval for the meeting minutes as listed.  
• April 15, 2026 Board of Education Business Meeting Minutes - DRAFT  
**CONTACT:** Heike Janis, Executive Assistant to Board of Education

[4.15.26 BOE Meeting Minutes - DRAFT.pdf](#) 

Move to approve the minutes as presented.

**Carried**

## 9. Board Communications

9.1 Board Committee, Community and Liaison Reports  
Dr. Erin Linnenbringer shared information from the Equity Committee meeting.  
Mr. Ben Beinfeld and Ms. Meade Greenberg shared information from the Technology Committee meeting.  
Dr. Pam Lyss-Lerman shared information from the Teaching & Learning Advisory Committee meeting.  
Ms. Chris Win shared information from the Clayton High School Awards Ceremony.  
Mr. Jason Growe spoke about the Clayton Education Foundation Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony that was held at the Clayton High School.

## 10. Adjournment

10.1 Adjournment  
The meeting adjourned at 10:26 p.m.  
Move to adjourn the meeting.  
Moved by: Dr Pamela Lyss-Lerman; seconded by: Ms. Chris Win  
The votes were all aye.

**Carried**

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Jason Growe, Board President

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Pam Lyss-Lerman, Board Secretary