



Board of Education Meeting - February 05 2025 Minutes

7:00 PM

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

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m.

- 1.1 Statement of Adequate Notice, Pledge of Allegiance
Adequate Notice has been provided. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- 1.2 Adoption of Agenda
Approve the agenda as posted.

Moved by: Ms. Chris Win

Seconded by: Ms. Kim Hurst

Yes Ms. Stacy Siwak, Ms. Kim Hurst, Ms. Chris Win,
Mr. Jason Grove, Mr. Leo Human, Dr Pamela
Lyss-Lerman, and Mr. Ben Beinfeld

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2. Recognizing Our Own

- 2.1 Cory Kent - Custodial Supervisor
The Board of Education recognized Cory Kent for the support and commitment he offers to the students and staff at Glenridge Elementary School on a daily basis.
- 2.2 Brendan Taylor - Soccer Coach

The Board of Education recognized Brendan Taylor for his leadership on and off the field and the impact he has on the school community. Mr. Taylor's leadership led the boys soccer team to a State Championship this year.

3. Public Comment

3.1 Public Participation at Board Meetings

Loretha Cain introduced herself to the Board and thanked them for their service on behalf of her grandfather.

4. Superintendent Communication

4.1 Superintendent Communication

Dr. Nisha Patel, Superintendent, provided an update to the Board of Education and community of current events in the District.

5. Student Representative Update

5.1 Student Representative Update

The Student Representative to the Board was unable to attend the meeting, so no update was given.

6. Presentations

6.1 Cognia

Dr. Dan Gutchewsky, principal of Clayton High School and Mr. Craig Sucher, the Clayton High School Academic and School Improvement Chair, presented an overview of the Cognia accreditation process and the Clayton High School (CHS) results.

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6.2 Legislative Presentation


Dr. Jere Hoffman provided information regarding the 2025 Legislative session and shared insights into filings of

legislative bills that may impact education, particularly Open Enrollment and taxation bills.

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7. Action Items

- 7.1 Action: Policy BDC - Closed Meetings, Records, and Votes
Approve the revisions to Policy BDC - closed Meetings, Records, and Votes as being updated to reflect revisions provided by the Missouri School Boards Association (MSBA).

[Exec Summary Policy BDC - Closed Meetings, Records, and Votes.docx.pdf](#) 

[Policy BDC CLOSED MEETINGS RECORDS AND VOTES.pdf](#) 

Motion to approve Policy BDC

Moved by: Ms. Chris Win

Seconded by: Ms. Kim Hurst

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8. Consent Agenda

Consent agenda items 8.1 through 8.3.

- 8.2 Requesting Board approval on all consent agenda items 8.02 through 8.03

- 8.2 Personnel

- 8.3 Approval of Minutes

9. Board Communications

- 9.1 Board Committee, Community and Liaison Reports

Mr. Leo Human gave a brief update on the Legislative Advocacy Committee.

Dr. Pamela Lyss-Lerman mentioned that the Equity Committee had a meeting earlier that day.

10. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:01 p.m.

10.1 Adjournment

That the Board of Education adjourn.

Moved by: Ms. Chris Win

Seconded by: Ms. Kim Hurst

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Stacy Siwak, Board President

Chris Win, Board Secretary