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**Business Meeting
School District of Clayton Board of Education
January 19, 2022 Meeting Minutes**

Members Present:

Ms. Amy Rubin – President
Mr. Gary Pierson – Vice President
Ms. Stacy Siwak – Board Secretary
Mr. Joe Miller – Director
Mr. Steve Singer – Director
Mr. Jason Wilson – Director

Dr. Nisha Patel - Superintendent
Ms. Sandy Menchella – Executive Assistant to Superintendent/Board of Education
Dr. Tony Arnold – Assistant Superintendent Human Resources
Mr. Chris Tennill – Chief Communications Officer

Ms. Kim Hurst – Director (absent)

1. Call to Order

Information, Procedural: 1.01 Statement of Adequate Notice

The meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 7:02 p.m. and was held virtually on Zoom due to the coronavirus pandemic (Omicron).

2. Recognizing Our Own

Information: 2.01 Jacob Lang

Tonight we recognized Meramec Elementary student, Jacob Lang, who alerted staff members when he smelled smoke in the bathroom, which resulted in the school evacuating safely while the cause was being investigated. Dr. Patrick Fisher, Principal at Meramec Elementary School, and Chief Ernie Rhodes from the Clayton Fire Department were present virtually and also spoke about Jacob.

3. Superintendent Communications

Information: 3.01 Superintendent Communications

Superintendent, Dr. Nisha Patel, shared information on the start of the 2nd semester, COVID surge challenges and adjustments, the booster clinic, Goal 3 – In Head and Heart Engagement Forum feedback, and our professional learning day held last week for staff.

4. Student Representative to the Board of Education

Information: 4.01 Student Representative to the Board of Education – Update

Aitana Rosas-Linhard, the Board of Education Student Representative, updated the board on information happening in schools with awards, activities, testing, and District Advisory updates.

5. Information

Information: 5.01 Calendar Updates

Dr. Tony Arnold, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources, and Mr. Chris Tennill, Chief Communications Officer, shared the calendar updates from the calendar committee for discussion with the board.

6. Policy Study

First Reading: 6.02 1st Reading - Policy DCB - Political Campaigns

Mr. Chris Tennill, Chief Communications Officer, presented the 1st Reading - Policy DCB - Political Campaigns for information and discussion.

First Reading: 6.03 1st Reading - Policy GCPB - Resignation of Professional Staff Members

Dr. Tony Arnold, Assistant Superintendent Human Resources, presented the 1st Reading - Policy GCPB - Resignation of Professional Staff Members for information and discussion.

7. Consent Items

Action (Consent): 7.01 Consent Agenda Items 7.02 through 7.08

That the Board of Education move agenda item 7.04 out of consent agenda

Motion by Stacy Siwak, second by Gary Pierson.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: Amy Rubin, Gary Pierson, Stacy Siwak, Joe Miller, Steve Singer, Jason Wilson

That the Board of Education approve the consent agenda items 7.02, 7.03, 7.05, 7.06, 7.07 and 7.08

Action (Consent): 7.02 Safe Return to In-Person Learning/Continuity of Service Plan

Action (Consent): 7.03 Personal & Tax Credit Tuition Rates

Action (Consent): 7.05 Internet Service Provider and E-Rate Funding

Action (Consent): 7.06 Managed Internet Broadband Services and E-Rate Funding

Action (Consent): 7.07 Personnel

Action (Consent): 7.08 Approval of Minutes from December 15, 2021

Motion by Stacy Siwak, second by Gary Pierson.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: Amy Rubin, Gary Pierson, Stacy Siwak, Joe Miller, Steve Singer, Jason Wilson

Action: 7.04 Tuition Rates for Early Childhood Education for 2022-2023

That the Board of Education move agenda item 7.04 out of consent agenda

Motion by Stacy Siwak, second by Gary Pierson.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: Amy Rubin, Gary Pierson, Stacy Siwak, Joe Miller, Steve Singer, Jason Wilson

8. Financials

Action: 8.01 Financials - October 2021

That the Board of Education approve payment of current expenditures and investments for October 2021 as detailed below:

Motion by Stacy Siwak, second by Gary Pierson.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: Amy Rubin, Gary Pierson, Stacy Siwak, Joe Miller, Steve Singer, Jason Wilson

Action: 8.02 Financials - November 2021

That the Board of Education approve payment of current expenditures and investments for November 2021 as detailed below:

Motion by Stacy Siwak, second by Gary Pierson.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: Amy Rubin, Gary Pierson, Stacy Siwak, Joe Miller, Steve Singer, Jason Wilson

9. Public Comment

Information: 9.01 Public Participation at Board Meetings

There were no public comments presented.

10. Board Communication

Information: 10.01 Board Calendar, Committee, Community and Liaison Reports

Gary Pierson reported on the Parks and Recreation meeting.

Amy Rubin reported that she and Jason Wilson traveled to Jefferson City regarding current legislation.

11. Adjournment

Action, Procedural: 11.01 Adjournment

That the Board of Education adjourn.

Motion by Stacy Siwak, second by Gary Pierson.


Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: Amy Rubin, Gary Pierson, Stacy Siwak, Joe Miller, Steve Singer, Jason Wilson

The meeting was adjourned at 8:38 p.m.



Stacy Siwak, Board Secretary



Amy Rubin, Board President
Approved: February 9, 2022

