



Board of Education Meeting - May 13 2026 Minutes

7:00 PM

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

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

Board Absent: Mr. Ben Beinfeld and Ms. Meade Greenberg

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; Matt Norrid, Incoming 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 7:04 p.m.

1.2 Adoption of Agenda

DESCRIPTION: Adopt the agenda as posted.

CONTACT: Jason Growe, 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

Board President, Jason Growe, along with the members of the Board recognized Nina Satorius for her service as the Student Representative to the Board of Education for the 2025-2026 school year.

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 an update with the members of the Board and community.

5. Student Representative Update

5.1 Student Representative Update

Nina Satorius, Student Representative to the Board of Education shared information with the Board members and community.

6. Presentations

- 6.1 Fine Arts Curriculum
Dr. Milena Garganigo, Assistant Superintendent of Teaching & Learning and Mr. Henderson, Fine Arts Coordinator, presented the work of the fine arts department as well as the long-range goals for the Fine Arts curriculum.
Move to approve the Fine Arts review goals, the district written Fine Arts curriculum and the financials as outlined in the report.
Moved by: Dr Pamela Lyss-Lerman; seconded by: Ms. Chris Win
The votes were all aye
Carried
- 6.2 Library Curriculum
Dr. Milena Garganigo, Assistant Superintendent of Teaching & Learning along with Ms. Luran DeRigne presented the work of the library department and shared the proposed long-range goals for the library curriculum.
Move to approve the library review goals and the financials as outlined in the report.
Moved by: Dr Pamela Lyss-Lerman; seconded by: Ms. Chris Win
The votes were all aye
Carried
- 6.3 Preliminary 2026-2027 Budget
John Brazeal, Chief Financial Officer, presented the preliminary 2026-2027 budget.

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 2nd Reading - Policy IIA: Instructional Materials
Move to approve Policy IIA: Instructional Materials with the recommended changes.
Moved by: Dr Pamela Lyss-Lerman; seconded by: Ms. Chris Win
The votes were all aye
Carried
- 7.2 2nd Reading - Policy IIAC: Instructional Media Centers/School Libraries
Move to approve Policy IIAC: Instructional Media Centers/School Libraries with the recommended changes.
Moved by: Dr Pamela Lyss-Lerman; seconded by: Ms. Chris Win
The votes were all aye
Carried
- 7.3 2nd Reading - Regulation IIAC-R1: Instructional Media Centers/School Libraries - Selection and Reconsideration of Materials
Move to approve Regulation IIAC-R1: Instructional Media Centers/School Libraries - Selection and Reconsideration of Materials to be rescinded.
Moved by: Dr Pamela Lyss-Lerman; seconded by: Ms. Chris Win
The votes were all aye
Carried

8. Action Items

8.1 Assessment Plan
Move to approve the Assessment Plan as submitted.
Moved by: Dr Pamela Lyss-Lerman; seconded by: Ms. Chris Win
The votes were all aye

Carried

8.2 Professional Learning Plan
Move to approve the District Professional Learning Plan for the 2026-2027 school year as submitted.
Moved by: Dr Pamela Lyss-Lerman; seconded by: Ms. Chris Win
The votes were all aye

Carried

8.3 Alternative Methods of Instruction (AMI) Plan
Move to approve the School District of Clayton AMI Plan for the 2026-2027 school year as submitted.
Moved by: Dr Pamela Lyss-Lerman; seconded by: Ms. Chris Win
The votes were all aye


Carried

9. 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.

9.1 Requesting Board approval on consent agenda items as listed.
Move to approve consent agenda items 9.2 through 9.4
Moved by: Dr Pamela Lyss-Lerman; seconded by: Ms. Chris Win
The votes were all aye

Carried

9.2 Renew Food Service Contract with Chartwells
DESCRIPTION: Effective with the 2024-2025 school year, Chartwells was contracted to manage food service throughout the District. The contract provided for an initial year plus four option years. The 2026-2027 year represents the third year of the contract.
CONTACT: John Brazeal, Chief Financial Officer
[20260513ChartwellsRenewal-agenda.pdf](#) 
Move to renew the Chartwells food service management contract for the 2026-2027 school year and approve the contract amendment as presented.

9.3 Personnel
DESCRIPTION:

- Certificated Staff Employment
- Certificated Staff Re-Employment
- Classified Staff Re-Employment
- Part-Time Temporary Employment

CONTACT: Dr. Kelly Sollberger, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources

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[Certified Staff Re-Employment.pdf](#) 

[Classified Staff Re-Employment.pdf](#) 

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Move to approve the personnel actions as presented.

9.4 Approval of Minutes

DESCRIPTION: Requesting approval for the meeting minutes as listed.

- April 29, 2026 Board Business Meeting

CONTACT: Heike Janis, Executive Assistant to Board of Education

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Move to approve the minutes as presented.

10. Board Communications

10.1 Board Committee, Community and Liaison Reports

Ms. Chris Win shared information from the Safety & Security Meeting.

11. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:19 p.m.

Jason Growe, Board President

Pam Lyss-Lerman, Board Secretary