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**Board of Education Business Meeting
School District of Clayton
November 20, 2024 Meeting Minutes**

Members Present: Ms. Stacy Siwak –President Ms. Kim Hurst –Vice President Ms. Chris Win –Secretary Mr. Jason Growe –Treasurer Mr. Leo Human – Director Dr. Pamela Lyss-Lerman – Director Mr. Ben Beinfeld - Director	Non-Voting Attendees: Dr. Nisha Patel – Superintendent Dr. Milena Garganigo – Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning Dr. Kelly Sollberger – Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources Dr. Cameron Poole – Chief Officer of Equity, Inclusion & Accountability John Brazeal, Chief Financial Officer Jeff Puls – Chief Communications Officer Lucia Lerena – 2024/25 Student Representative to the Board Heike Janis – Executive Assistant to Superintendent/Board of Education
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1. Board of Education Business Meeting – 7:00 p.m.

Information: 1.01 Adequate Notice/Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Adequate notice was provided. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Action: 1.02 Adoption of Agenda

Adopt the agenda as posted.

Motion by Chris Win, second by Kim Hurst.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: Kimberly Hurst, Stacy Siwak, Chris Win, Jason Growe, Pam Lyss-Lerman, Leo Human

2. Oath of Office

Information: 2.01 New Board Member – Oath of Office

Benjamin (Ben) Beinfeld took the Oath of Office for the remainder of the 2025 term that was vacated by Gary Pierson.

3. Recognizing Our Own

Information: 3.01 Recognition – Jim Brennell, Jim Chapman, and Mike Kaiser

The Board of Education recognized Jim Brennell, Jim Chapman, and Mike Kaiser for their daily support to the students and staff of the district.

4. Public Comments

Information: 4.01 Public Participation at Board Meetings

Jena Schaumburg, Parent, addressed the Board of Education regarding cell phones and the cohesive work of the Board.

Public Comment received from Robin Leonard was read by Jeff Puls, Chief Technology Officer. The comment addressed the College and Career Readiness presentation on the meeting agenda.

5. Superintendent Communications

Information: 5.01 Superintendent Communications

Dr. Nisha Patel, Superintendent, provided an update to the board members and the community.

6. Student Representative to the Board

Information: 6.01 Student Representative to the Board of Education - Update

Lucia Lerena, student representative to the Board of Education, shared information with the Board of Education and the community regarding communications with students across the district.

7. Presentations

Information: 7.01 Goal 3 of Strategic Plan Update – College and Career - CHS

Dr. Cameron Poole, Chief Equity and Inclusion Officer, Carolyn Blair, CHS Counseling Department Chair, and counselors Tobi Smith and Jocelyn Cole shared information with the members of the Board regarding the programs and services available to students and parents.

Information: 7.02 Presentation by Paragon Architecture – Consultant for Long Range Facilities Master Plan

Brad Erwin, Paragon Architecture, provided an update to the Board of Education and the community.

8. Discussion

Information: 8.01 Professional Survey Writer

At the October 30, 2024 Board meeting, Dr. Pam Lyss-Lerman made a motion to add a discussion item on the agenda. The Board members discussed the option of partnering with a professional survey writer for district surveys if the administration wants a consultant to assist.

9. Action Items

Action: 9.01 Second Reading – Policy EHBA: Student Use of Personal Electronic Devices for Instructional Purposes

A motion was made by Chris Win, second by Kim Hurst, to Adopt Policy EHBA: Student Use of Personal Electronic Devices for Instructional Purposes with the recommended changes.

After discussion, a motion was made by Stacy Siwak, seconded by Jason Growe, to amend the motion with the following changes:

The second sentence should read: "An objective of this policy is to foster a learning environment which minimizes distractions from personal electronic devices and encourages instructional time free from personal cellphones." In addition, add the following sentence at the end of the first paragraph: "The Board of Education will be informed of any significant changes in building level practices around personal electronic devices."

The votes for the amendment were as follows:

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: Kimberly Hurst, Stacy Siwak, Jason Growe, Pam Lyss-Lerman, Leo Human, Ben Beinfeld

No: Chris Win

A motion was made by Stacy Siwak, seconded by Kim Hurst, to adopt Policy EHBA: Student Use of Personal Electronic Devices for Instructional Purposes with the amendment included.

The votes were as follows:

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: Kimberly Hurst, Stacy Siwak, Jason Growe, Pam Lyss-Lerman, Leo Human, Ben Beinfeld

No: Chris Win

Action: 9.02 Second Reading – Regulation JG-R1: Student Discipline

Adopt Regulation JG-R1: Student Discipline with the recommended changes.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: Kimberly Hurst, Stacy Siwak, Chris Win, Jason Growe, Pam Lyss-Lerman, Leo Human, Ben Beinfeld

Action: 9.03 Second Reading – Policy IGA: Basic Instructional Programs

Adopt Policy IGA: Basic Instructional Programs with the recommended changes.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: Kimberly Hurst, Stacy Siwak, Chris Win, Jason Growe, Pam Lyss-Lerman, Leo Human, Ben Beinfeld

10. Consent Agenda

Action: 10.01 Consent Agenda Items 10.02 through 10.06

Motion to approve consent agenda items 9.02 through 9.08.

Motion by Chris Win, second by Kim Hurst.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: Kimberly Hurst, Stacy Siwak, Chris Win, Jason Growe, Pam Lyss-Lerman, Leo Human, Ben Beinfeld

- 10.02 HVAC Filter Service
- 10.03 October 2024 Financial Reporting
- 10.06 October 2024 Disbursement Report
- 10.07 Personnel
- 10.08 Minutes

11. Board Communications

Information: 11.01 Board Committee, Community and Liaison Reports

Mr. Leo Human shared information from the Clayton Education Foundation.

Mr. Leo Human and Mr. Jason Growe shared an update from the CRSWC meeting.

Ms. Stacy Siwak shared highlights from the Teaching & Learning Advisory Council. Ms. Siwak shared with the board members and the community about the CCBA (Condo Association) meeting that Jason Growe, Kim Hurst, John Brazeal, Nisha Patel, and Stacy Siwak attended.

Mr. Jason Growe updated the Board members regarding the Financial Advisory Committee meeting.

Dr. Pam Lyss-Lerman spoke of the event "Half the Story" and about the creator Larissa May, that the All-In Coalition and Wellness Center hosted via Zoom.

Ms. Stacy Siwak reminded the members of the Board about the St Louis School Boards PLC that is scheduled for December 7, 2024. The topic will be Safety & Security.

11. Adjournment

Action, Procedural: 11.01 Adjournment to Executive Session

That the Board of Education adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 10:03 p.m.

Motion by Chris Win, second by Kimberly Hurst.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: Kimberly Hurst, Stacy Siwak, Chris Win, Jason Growe, Pam Lyss-Lerman, Leo Human, Ben Beinfeld

Stacy Siwak, Board President

Date: November 20, 2024

Chris Win, Board Secretary