

August 18, 2020

The Clark-Shawnee Local Board of Education met in regular session on August 18, 2020 at Rockway Elementary School Gymnasium located at 3500 W National Rd., Springfield, Ohio 45504. The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by President Pierce. Those answering the roll by Mr. Faulkner:

Mr. Galbreath
Mrs. Garrett
Mrs. Pierce
Dr. Page
Mr. DeHart

Also present: Mr. Brian Kuhn, Superintendent
Mr. Brian Masser, Asst. Superintendent

Visitors- Liz Crall
Lindsey Koval
Penny McCune

All stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA (2020-1085)

Mrs. Garrett moved to accept the agenda.

Mr. DeHart Seconded in the motion.

Ayes: Garrett, Pierce, Page, DeHart, Galbreath
The President declared the motion carried.

MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR DESTINY WELLS

ACCEPTANCE OF CONSENT CALENDAR – FINANCIAL (2020-1086)

MR. DeHart moved to approve the following:

- 1. Signing of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting**
- 2. Treasurer's Report and Condition of the Funds**
- 3. Monthly Bills and Allowance of those that are in Order**
- 4. Repayment of Fund Advances to the Athletic Fund [\$65,000] and Food Service Fund [\$125,000]**
- 5. Transfer \$327,824.00 from General Fund to Permanent Improvement Fund**

6. Approved the Breakfast and Lunch Prices

Elementary Breakfast--\$1.90
Elementary Lunch--\$2.90 Reduced Price--\$0.40
MS/HS Breakfast--\$1.90
MS/HS Lunch--\$3.15 Reduced Price--\$0.40
Adult Pricing—Breakfast \$2.10 Lunch \$3.90

Dr. Page seconded the motion.
Ayes: Pierce, Page, DeHart, Galbreath, Garrett
The President declared the motion carried.

ACCEPTANCE OF CONSENT CALENDAR – PERSONNEL (2020-1087)

Dr. Page moved to approve the following:

Resignations

Support Staff

To accept Ms. Elisabeth Appis, latchkey aide, letter of resignation effective August 31, 2020.

To accept Ms. Karene Bradley, bus driver, letter of resignation effective August 31, 2020.

Employment

Certified Staff

To employ Mrs. Cynthia Barnes as Floating Tutor for the 2020-2021 school year.
[Current Assignment: Reid School]

To employ Mrs. Lori Driskill-Lange as Floating Tutor for the 2020-2021 school year.
[Current Assignment: Possum School]

To employ Ms. Debbie Haycox as Floating Tutor for the 2020-2021 school year.
[Current Assignment: Possum School]

To employ Mrs. Christa Kusmierczyk as Part-Time Floating Tutor for the 2020-2021 school year. [Current Assignment: Possum School]

To employ Mr. Don McKanna as Floating Tutor for the 2020-2021 school year. [Current Assignment: Reid School]

To employ Ms. Molly Meyers as Floating Tutor for the 2020-2021 school year. [Current Assignment: Possum School]

To employ Ms. Amanda Raber as Tutor for the 2020-2021 school year. [Current Assignment: Possum Elementary]

To employ Mrs. Suzanne Riehle as Title I Tutor for the 2020-2021 school year. [Current Assignment: Rockway School]

Support Staff

To employ Mr. Russell Burk III as Bus Driver for the 2020-2021 school year.

To employ Mr. Kenneth Clark as Part-Time Custodian [5 hours per day] for the 2020-2021 school year. [Current Assignment: Rockway School]

To employ Ms. Shelley Davis as Floating Tutor for the 2020-2021 school year. [Current Assignment: Possum School]

To employ Mrs. Jeannean Ingle as Floating Tutor for the 2020-2021 school year. [Current Assignment: Rockway School]

To employ Mr. Alan Lias as Bus Driver for the 2020-2021 school year.

To employ Mr. Michael Williams as Courier for the 2020-2021 school year.

Certified Additional Duty

To employ Mrs. Whitney Adams as Yearbook Advisor for the 2020-2021 school year.

To employ Mrs. Alicia Anstine as Mentor for the 2020-2021 school year.

To employ Mrs. Erin Delk as Co-National Honor Society Advisor for the 2020-2021 school year.

To employ Mrs. Erin Delk as Resident Educator Year 3 Coordinator for the 2020-2021 school year.

To employ Mr. Garrett Greene as HS Instrumental Music Assistant for the 2020-2021 school year.

To employ Mrs. Kristi Hirtzinger as Middle School Student Council Co-Advisor for the 2020-2021 school year.

To employ Mrs. Terry Janssen as Power of the Pen Advisor for the 2020-2021 school year.

To employ Mrs. Stephanie Lange as Mentor for the 2020-2021 school year.

To employ Mrs. Stephanie Lange as Vocal Music Head for the 2020-2021 school year.

To employ Mrs. Darcy Leis as Power of the Pen Advisor for the 2020-2021 school year.

To employ Mrs. Sara Lee as Co-National Honor Society Advisor for the 2020-2021 school year.

To employ Mrs. Rosie Matthies as Mathematics Department Chair for the 2020-2021 school year.

To employ Mrs. Rosie Matthies as Mentor for the 2020-2021 school year.

To employ Mrs. Phyllis McCrory as MS Lead Teacher for the 2020-2021 school year.

To employ Mrs. Kristin Meeks as Science Department Chair for the 2020-2021 school year.

To employ Mrs. Marlo Mitch as Junior Class Advisor for the 2020-2021 school year.

To employ Mrs. Marlo Mitch as Student Council Advisor for the 2020-2021 school year.

To employ Mr. Mark Myers as HS Lead Teacher for the 2020-2021 school year.

To employ Mrs. Elizabeth Nelson as English Department Head for the 2020-2021 school year.

To employ Mr. Devin Spitzer as Social Studies Department Chair for the 2020-2021 school year.

To employ Mrs. Brenda Vinson as Freshmen Advisory Head for the 2020-2021 school year.

To employ Mrs. Kelly Wyen as Foreign Language Department Chair for the 2020-2021 school year.

To employ Mrs. Sarah Young as Middle School Student Council Co-Advisor for the 2020-2021 school year.

Substitutes – Certified

To approve the use of Clark County Educational Service Center Substitute Teacher List—ESC Board Approved on July 16, 2020.

Volunteer—Certified

To approve Mr. Richard Walker as volunteer athletic trainer for the 2020-2021 school year.

Contract Amendment

To amend Mrs. Bonnie Clark’s contract to Custodian [6 hours per day] for the 2020-2021 school year. [Current Assignment: Rockway School]

To amend Ms. Laura Gordon’s contract to PM Latchkey Coordinator [3 hours per day] for the 2020-2021 school year. [Current Assignment: Possum School]

Mr. Galbreath seconded the motion
Ayes: Page, DeHart, Galbreath, Garrett, Pierce.
The President declared the motion carried.

Acceptance of Consent Calendar – Miscellaneous (2020-1088)

Mrs. Pierce motioned to approve the following:

Approval of Contract Services—Premiere Health

To approve the service contract with Premiere Health for nursing support related to COVID-19 for the 2020-2021 school year.

Approval of Remote Learning Plan

To approve the District’s Remote Learning Plan.

Approval of Board Policy

To approve the Board Policy 2266.

Resolution Approving and Authorizing a Reduction in the Number of Hours that District Schools Will Be Open for Instruction for the 2020-2021 School Year Compared to the 2019-2020 School Year for the Purposes of Adopting an Amended School District Calendar

WHEREAS, at its regular meeting held on December 12, 2019, the Board adopted a school calendar for the 2020-2021 school year;

WHEREAS, subsequent to the adoption of the 2020-2021 school calendar and in the spring of the 2019-2020 school year, the Governor of the State of Ohio issued an executive order declaring a state of emergency to protect the well-being of the citizens of Ohio from the dangerous effects of COVID-19;

WHEREAS, on March 14, 2020 the Director of the Ohio Department of Health issued an Order closing all school buildings to students in the State of Ohio, including the Clark-Shawnee Local School District (the "District"), beginning March 17, 2020, with such Order having been extended through July 7, 2020, for the purpose of preventing the spread of COVID-19;

WHEREAS, on July 2, 2020 the Governor released the COVID-19 Health and Prevention Guidance for Ohio K-12 Schools emphasizing the importance of local decision-making and flexibility for Ohio school districts in reopening school buildings;

WHEREAS, Ohio schools, including the District, are anticipated to be open for instruction for the 2020-2021 school year, but concerns associated with the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic have created the need for modifications to the 2020-2021 school year calendar that was previously adopted by the Board on December 12, 2019;

WHEREAS, Ohio law grants local school boards the right to control and determine school calendars and to establish their own start and end dates for a school year so long as each school district provides the minimum number of hours for instructional time for students as set forth in Section 3313.48 of the Ohio Revised Code ("O.R.C.");

WHEREAS, O.R.C. § 3313.48(A) requires that at a minimum school districts be open for instruction each school year for not less than four hundred fifty-five (455) hours in the case of pupils in half-day kindergarten, nine hundred ten (910) hours in the case of pupils in all-day kindergarten through grade six, and one thousand one (1,001) hours in the case of pupils in grades seven through twelve, which may include time for parent-teacher conferences, reporting periods, professional meetings and recess periods for pupils in grades kindergarten through six;

WHEREAS, Ohio House Bill 164 provides that, for the 2020-2021 school year only, a school district that implements a remote learning plan shall be considered to have complied with the minimum number of hours required under O.R.C. § 3313.48;

WHEREAS, the District plans to implement a remote learning plan for the 2020-2021

school year which will include a reduction in the number of hours schools will physically be open to students, and as such, the calendar modifications provided herein will be considered to be in compliance with the minimum hours requirements;

WHEREAS, O.R.C. § 3313.48(B) requires that no later than thirty (30) days before adopting a school calendar boards of education hold a public hearing on the school calendar addressing topics that include, but are not limited to, the total number of hours in a school year, length of school day, and beginning and end dates of instruction;

WHEREAS, O.R.C. § 3313.48(C) provides that “No school operated by a city, exempted village, local, or joint vocational school district shall reduce the number of hours in each school year that the school is scheduled to be open for instruction from the number of hours per year the school was open for instruction during the previous school year unless the reduction is approved by a resolution adopted by the district board of education;”

WHEREAS, after analyzing and addressing all necessary factors, the Superintendent has prepared and presented recommended modifications to the school calendar for the 2020-2021 school year to the Board for its consideration and approval that will result in fewer scheduled hours of instruction compared to the number of hours that District schools were open for instruction during the 2019-2020 school year, including a later scheduled start date for student instruction than previously planned;

WHEREAS, after holding a public hearing with regard to the proposed calendar modification on July 9, 2020 pursuant to O.R.C. § 3313.48 and evaluating all necessary considerations, the Board believes its decision to adopt and approve the recommended modifications to the school calendar for the 2020-2021 school year, which includes a reduction in hours of student instruction as compared with the school calendar for the 2019-2020 school year, is in the best interest of the District students and the community in light of the uncertainties created by the COVID-19 pandemic, while still meeting the statutorily required minimum number of hours of student instruction for the school year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Clark-Shawnee Local School District:

Section 1. Based upon the foregoing, the Board has considered and hereby approves and adopts the proposed modifications to the 2020-2021 school year calendar, which will result in fewer scheduled hours of student instruction compared to the number of hours that District schools were open for instruction during the 2019-2020 school year, but which still meets the minimum number of hours of student instruction requirements set forth in O.R.C. § 3313.48.

Section 2. The Board hereby determines that the public hearing held on July 9, 2020 shall constitute fulfillment of the requirement in O.R.C. § 3313.48 to hold such public hearing no less than thirty (30) days prior to adopting a school calendar.

Section 3. The Board President, the Superintendent, and/or the Treasurer are authorized and directed to take all other such actions as are necessary or appropriate to implement the adopted and approved modifications set forth herein.

Section 4. It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public or in executive session as permitted by Ohio law.

Section 5. This Resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Mr. DeHart seconded the motion.
Ayes: DeHart, Galbreath, Garrett, Pierce, Page.
The President declared the motion carried.

Executive Session (2020-1089)

Mrs. Pierce moved to go into executive session at 9:00 p.m. for the appointment and employment of personnel.

Mr. Galbreath seconded the motion.
Ayes: Galbreath, Garrett, Pierce, Page, DeHart.

Mrs. Pierce declared the board out of executive session at 9:29 p.m.

Approval of Contract Services—P & R Communications (2020-1090)

Dr. Page moved to approve the following:

To approve the contract with P & R Communications for annual airtime and maintenance program for upgraded bus radio system.

Mr. Galbreath seconded the motion.
Ayes: Garrett, Pierce, Page, DeHart, Galbreath.
The President declared the motion carried.

Executive Session (2020-1091)

Mrs. Pierce moved to go into executive session at 9:31 p.m. for the appointment and employment of personnel.

Mr. DeHart seconded the motion.
Ayes: Pierce, Page, DeHart, Galbreath, Garrett.

Mrs. Pierce declared the board out of executive session at 9:53 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. DeHart moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:23 p.m.

Mrs. Garrett seconded the motion.

Ayes: Page, DeHart, Galbreath, Garrett, Pierce.

President

Treasurer