

Clairton City School District Board of Directors Work Session

Monday, October 12, 2026 6:30 PM

High School Library, 501 Waddell Ave., Clairton, PA 15025

I. Call to Order

II. Salute to the Flag

III. Questions on the Contents of the Minutes - September 21, 2026 Legislative Meeting

IV. Reports

- **Presentations:** Dinsmore & Shohl, Anthony
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IV.A. Administration

- Secondary School
- Elementary School
- Special Education
- Assistant Superintendent:

IV.B. Alternative Education – *Clairton Cyber/Innovation Academy*

Safety & Security / Attendance & Truancy
District Assessment / Federal Programs

- e. Technology
- f. Athletics
- g. Public Relations / Cyber Charter

IV.C. Solicitor

IV.D. Board Committee Reports

- Personnel
- Finance – *Scheduled 10/19/26*
- Budget
- Curriculum/Technology - *Scheduled 10/13/26*
- Building & Grounds/Security
- School/City
- Athletics
- Stadium Project
- Library
- Land Bank
- Steel Center

V. Treasurer's Report – September 2026

VI. Bills List – October 2026

VII. Old Business

VIII. New Business

IX. **Administrative Agenda**

IX.A. Board action is requested to accept the resignation of Bryon Clifford as Paraprofessional/Special Education; Elementary/Grades K-5 Life Skills (shared) effective October 16, 2026, as submitted.

IX.B. Board action is requested to ratify Anthony Ramsey as Paraprofessional: Secondary Special Education Support for the 2026/2027 school year in accordance with the terms and conditions of the agreement between the District and Clairton Education Support Professionals (CESP), effective September 28, 2026.

IX.C. Board action is requested to approve Jasmine Howard as Paraprofessional: Secondary Special Education for the 2026/2027 school year in accordance with the terms and conditions of the agreement between the District and Clairton Education Support Professionals (CESP), effective November 2, 2026.

IX.D. Board action is requested to ratify Jennifer Wells as Senior Class Sponsor for the 2026/2027 school year, in accordance with the terms and conditions of the agreement between the District and Clairton Education Association (CEA), effective September 28, 2026.

IX.E. Board action is requested to ratify Intermittent FMLA for Kelley Majersky, School Psychologist, effective September 22, 2026, per guidelines of the Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA) through the end of the 2026/2027 school year, in accordance with the terms of the agreement between the District and Act 93, as submitted.

IX.F. Board action is requested to approve Intermittent FMLA for Lisa Bisogni, Payroll/Benefits Secretary, effective November 20, 2026, per guidelines of the Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA) through the end of the 2026/2027 school year, in accordance with the terms of the agreement between the District and Clairton Secretarial Association (CSA), as submitted.

IX.G. Board action is requested to approve Second Reading of Policy #102 Academic Standards - updated to reflect the requirements of a new section of PA School Code, 24 P.S. Sec. 15-1556, as submitted. Policy #102 is a mandated policy.

IX.H. Board action is requested to approve Second Reading of Policy #105 Curriculum – legal citations to reference 24 P.S. Sec 15-1512 and 24 P.S. 15-1556 were

added, as submitted. Policy #105 is recommended for legal liability purposes.

IX. I. Board action is requested to adopt/approve Second Reading of Policy #204.1 Virtual Attendance and Wellness Checks – a new section to the PA School Code, 24 P.S. Sec. 13-1327.4. School District Enrollee Wellness Checks, as submitted. Policy#204.1 is a mandated policy.

IX. J. Board action is requested to approve Second Reading of Policy #209 Health Examinations/Screenings – updated to address the amendments to 24 P.S. Sec. 14-1402 and 14-1408; a new section of the PA School Code, 24 P.S. Sec. 14-1426 eating disorder awareness and education information, as submitted. Policy#209 is recommended for legal liability purposes.

IX. K. Board action is requested to approve Second Reading of Policy #246 School Wellness Policy – updated to address two key elements to comply with amendments to 24 P. S. Sec. 15-1512 and addition of a new section addressing Social Media in compliance with 24 P.S. Sec. 15-1556, as submitted. Policy #246 is a mandated policy.

IX. L. Board action is requested to approve Second Reading of Policy #249 Bullying/ Cyberbullying – amended PA School Code, 24 P.S. Sec. 13-1303. 1-A. updated to include two new definitions from the statute for Artificial Intelligence-Generated or Modified Media, as submitted. Policy #249 is a mandated policy.

IX. M. Board action is requested to approve Second Reading of Policy #704 Maintenance – updated to include a reference to 24 P.S. Sec. 7-742.1 Lead Testing. An option was provided for testing lead levels in drinking water, as submitted. Policy #704 is recommended.

IX. N. Board action is requested to approve Second Reading of Policy #803 School Calendar – updated to comply with the new amendments to 24 P.S. Sec. 15-1506. Flexible Instruction Days (FID). The policy states that each year prior to finalizing the school calendar, the Board must discuss the use or potential use of flexible instruction days and remote or virtual instruction days as a public meeting, as submitted. Policy #803 is recommended.

IX. O. Board action is requested to approve Second Reading of Policy #805.2 School Security Personnel – revised to reflect the amendment to 24 P.S. Sec. 13-1309-B clarifying that the School Safety and Security Coordinator is responsible to coordinate training and resources for staff and students on suicide awareness and

prevention, and cyberbullying awareness and prevention, as submitted. Policy #805.2 is recommended for legal liability purposes.

IX.P. Board action is requested to approve Second Reading of Policy # 822 Automated External Defibrillators (EDDY/Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) – updated in accordance with Act 17 of 2026 and clarified which individuals in the school entity must maintain their certification in the use of an AED and CPR as well as optional training opportunities for all employees and volunteers, as submitted. Policy #822 is recommended for legal liability purposes.

IX.Q. Board action is requested to approve Dr. Allen-Thomas to attend The Forum for Western Pennsylvania School Superintendents to be held December 2 - 4, 2026 at the Kimpton Hotel Monaco, Pittsburgh, PA. Cost of PD to be paid by the AIU. Travel expenses to be paid by the District.

X. **Discussion Item:**

A. Policy#815.1 — Use of Generative Artificial Intelligence in Education

B. MOU 12-Plus

C. MOU Metro Family

D. Travel with EFF Tours

E. CEF of PA Greater Pittsburgh — Use of Facilities

XI. **Information Items:**

XI.A. *Field Trip Requests:*

- **Clairton Marching Band** – to ratify 35 students and 5 chaperones to participate in the West Mifflin Bank Festival at West Mifflin High School, West Mifflin, PA on Saturday, October 10, 2026. Transportation is requested to be provided by the District.
- **High School Counseling Department** – to approve 20-35 students and 2-3 chaperones to go to Brilliant Beginnings Partner UP at the Jewish Community Center, Pittsburgh, PA on Tuesday, October 20, 2026. Students will be exposed to Career Readiness Program, Partner Up to see if they plan on joining and will see all of the opportunities for employment after graduation. Transportation is requested. Cost of the busing

will be split between Goodwill/Upward Bound and the District will provide busing.

- **First Grade** – to approve 55 students and 6 chaperones to go to Triple B Farms Monongahela, PA on Tuesday, October 27, 2026. Students will learn about a working farm what they grow and the importance of sun, soil, and air. Students will also learn about how bees help the farmers grow food.

XI.B. *Fund Raiser Requests:*

- **Junior Class** – to approve a “Junior Class Drink Shop” fundraiser to be held only Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays starting October 12, 2026 through April 16, 2027. Drinks will be sold out of Room 206 before period 1, after period 9 and in between classes as a Prom fundraiser.
- **Clairton Elementary and MS Chorus** – to approve a “DMI” fundraiser to be held starting October 26, 2026 through November 12, 2026. Holiday items, snacks and cooking mixes to be sold in the elementary. Funds received will be used towards chorus activities.
- **Grade 5** – to approve “Popcorn – Double Good” online fundraiser to be held October 26, 2026 through November 13, 2026. Funds received will be used for 5th grade student activities.
- **Senior Class** – to approve a “Yankee Candle/Giftnthings” fundraiser to be held November 20, 2026. Students will sell Yankee Candle items for two weeks to raise money for an end-of-year field trip or other events.
- **Second Grade** – to approve a “Concession Stand” fundraiser to be held November 11, 2026 in the Elementary 1PM – 6PM during Parent Conference Day. Funds received will be used to offset the cost of busing for a field trip.

XI.C.

XI.D. *Grant Application Requests:*

- None

XI.E. *Updates:*

- None

XII. **Business Administrator’s Agenda**

XII.A. Board action is requested to ratify the 2022-2023 audit from Zelenkofske Axelrod LLC., as submitted.

(Upload Management Letter/Hand Carry)

XII.B. Board action is requested to ratify the Maintenance Proposal with FieldTurf USA, Inc. for Fieldcare Program Services, as submitted.

XII.C. Board action is requested to accept the bid proposal from Combustion Service (CS&E) to provide supply duct insulation work, as submitted.

XII.D. Board action is requested to approve the donation of vacant/abandoned Park Avenue lots 879-D-276, 879-D-278, 879-D-284, 879-D-286, 879-D-288 and 764-C181 to the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Clairton, as submitted.

XIII. Discussion Item:

A. United Utopia

B. Solar For Schools Grant

XIV. Information Items:

A. Tax Information

B. List of Payments 09/09/26 – 10/07/26

C. Financial Status/Grants, Mr. McCloskey

D. Audit Engagement Letters 2024, 2025

E. Sun Coach Lines, ETS Transportation and TNF Logistics LLC. Employment requirements are currently being met for bus drivers and monitors listed, as submitted.

XV. **Athletic Agenda**

XV.A. Board action is requested to accept the resignation of Keanen Johnson as Scorekeeper for Varsity Boys Basketball effective September 29, 2026, as submitted.

XV.B. Board action is requested to ratify Dr. Paul G. Lorincy, DPM to serve as team physician on September 25, 2026. to provide athletic services at no charge to the District, as submitted.

XVI. **Discussion Items**

XVII. **Information Items: Refer to Athletic Director's Board Report**

XVIII. **Adjourn**

XIX. **Executive Session:**

(The Board of Directors will meet in Executive Session following adjournment to discuss personnel issues)

- xx. *The Board of Directors of the Clairton City School District will meet for the Legislative Meeting on Monday, October 19, 2026 at 6:30 p.m. in the HS Library of the CEC.*



**I pledge allegiance to the Flag
of the United States of America,
and to the Republic for which it stands,
one Nation under God, indivisible,
with liberty and justice for all.**

CLAIRTON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board of Directors
Legislative Meeting Minutes
September 21, 2026
6:30 p.m.

(Board of Directors met in Executive Session following adjournment of the Work Session on September 14, 2026 and September 17, 2026 to discuss personnel issues)

- I. **Call to Order** – Richard Livingston, President of the Board of School Directors, called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.

II. **Roll Call:**

Rikell Ford	Present
Felix Fusco	Present
Richard Livingston	Present
Kailon Lyons	Present
Artrena McKenzie	Present
Jeff Potts	Present
Barbara Roberts	Present
Jonathan Robinson	Present
Roger Tachoir	Present

Board of Directors:	9 Present	0 Absent
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III. **Salute to the Flag**

IV. **Approval of the Minutes – August 17, 2026 Legislative Meeting**

MOTION made by Dr. Ford, seconded by Ms. Roberts, to approve the Minutes of the August 17, 2026 Legislative Meeting

Non-Roll Call Vote: 9 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Absent 0 Abstentions APPROVED

V. **Presentation:**

- A. **“Student of the Month”** – *Elementary and MS/HS students were recognized by the Board of Directors and Superintendent for the month of September while being presented a certificate from their respective principals, Ms. Maurizio, Elementary and Ms. Suss, MS/HS.*

VI. Reports:

A. Administration – None

B. Solicitor's Report – None

C. Board Committees:

- a) **Personnel** – No Report
- b) **Finance** – Met 09/21/26
- c) **Budget** – No Report
- d) **Curriculum/Technology** – No Report
- e) **Building & Grounds/Security** – Met 08/17/26
- f) **School/City** – No Report
- g) **Athletics** – No Report
- h) **Stadium Project** – No Report
- i) **Library** – *Scheduled 09/23/26*
- j) **Land Bank** – Met 09/10/26
- k) **Steel Center** – No Report

VII. Citizens Comments – Ms. Beverly Warfield, 532 9th Street, Clairton, PA 15025
Topic of Discussion: Taxes. Ms. Warfield addressed the Board of Directors regarding an increase in her property taxes. The Board of Directors and Solicitor explained the appeal process in order to challenge the assessment, stating this can be done through the online Allegheny County real estate tax site. Further assistance was offered by the Solicitor with exchange of contact information.

VIII. Treasurer's Report – August 2026

MOTION made by Dr. Ford, seconded by Ms. Roberts, to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month of August 2026.

Non-Roll Call Vote: 9 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Absent 0 Abstentions APPROVED

IX. Payment of Bills – September 2026

MOTION made by Dr. Ford, seconded by Mr. Tachoir, to approve the Payment of Bills for the month of September 2026.

Non-Roll Call Vote: 9 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Absent 0 Abstentions APPROVED

X. Old Business –

Mr. Livingston noted at this time the Athletic Director confirmed a Trainer would be present at the upcoming football game.

XI. New Business –

- A. **MOTION** made by Mr. Tachoir, seconded by Ms. Roberts, to approve casting votes for the following 2026 candidates as PSBA officers:

President Elect	Matt Vannoy
Vice President	Kristy Bolte
Treasurer	David Hein
PSBA Insurance Trustees	Marianne L. Neel Dr. Michael Faccinnetto

Non-Roll Call Vote: 9 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Absent 0 Abstentions APPROVED

Administrative Agenda

Personnel Committee – Dr. Ford, Chairperson

ON MOTION made by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Ms. McKenzie, the Board of Directors, by non-roll call vote, approved the following items designated A. through H.

- A. Board accepted the resignation of Laura Pavlik as Disney Crew Sponsor effective August 16, 2026, as submitted.
- B. Board accepted the resignation of Meghan Allen as Senior Class Sponsor effective August 17, 2026, as submitted.
- C. Board ratified Sierra Harrington as Paraprofessional: Special Education Support One-On-One for the 2026/2027 school year during after school activities and scheduled sporting events accordance with the terms and conditions of the agreement between the District and Clairton Education Support Professionals (CESP), effective August 31, 2026.
- D. Board ratified Maurice Simmons as Paraprofessional: Secondary In-School Suspension for the 2026/2027 school year in accordance with the terms and conditions of the agreement between the District and Clairton Education Support Professionals (CESP), effective September 11, 2026.

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- E. Board ratified Alexis Trubiani as Year Book Sponsor for the 2026/2027 school year, in accordance with the terms and conditions of the agreement between the District and Clairton Education Association (CEA), effective August 18, 2026.
- F. Board acknowledged three consecutive years of satisfactory service and award tenure effective August 17, 2026 to the following individuals:

Jaclyn Bungert
Bailey Carson
Taylor Dreher
Laurie Garry
Joie James
Leann Ruffing
Elizabeth Smart

- G. Board ratified Medical Leave and FMLA concurrently for Janee Jenkins, Paraprofessional, effective August 27, 2026, with an anticipated return pending receipt of medical documentation and guidelines of the Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA) through the end of the 2026/2027 school year, in accordance with the terms of the agreement between the District and the Clairton Educational Support Professionals (CESP), as submitted.
- H. Board approved the conversion of absence-type vacation accumulated balances to sick day absence-type and eliminating the option in ProSoft for vacation accumulated, as presented.

Non-Roll Call Vote: 9 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Absent 0 Abstentions APPROVED

Dr. Ford stated at this time she would like for the Board of Directors to acknowledge the staff members achieving tenure through consecutive years of satisfactory service further noting several individuals returning to us from the community.

Curriculum Committee – Ms. Roberts, Chairperson

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- B. Board approved First Reading of Policy #105 Curriculum – legal citations to reference 24 P.S. Sec 15-1512 and 24 P.S. 15-1556 were added, as submitted. Policy #105 is recommended for legal liability purposes.
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- K. Board approved the Elementary CSI School Plan for 2026/2027, as submitted.
- L. Board approved the MS/HS Schoolwide Title I School Plan for 2026/2027, as submitted.
- M. Board approved the service agreements with Intermediate Units #1, #2, and #3 to provide eligible children attending nonpublic elementary and secondary schools, their teachers, and their families with Title IA services that are equitable to those provided to eligible public-school children, as submitted.
- N. Board approved the updated Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Clairton City School District and the Clairton City Police Department. The MOU between the School Entity and the law enforcement agency has been updated to comply with newly added requirements under Section 1319-B(d)(4) of the Pennsylvania Public School Code. The amendment adds a procedure for timely coordination between the School Entity's Threat Assessment Team and law enforcement, when necessary, pursuant to Section 1302-E. The new provision establishes notification, designated points of contact, information sharing, coordination, emergency response, and documentation procedures to support timely and effective response to potential threats to the school community, as submitted.
- O. Board ratified a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) by and between Will Allen Foundation and Clairton City School District to deliver educational and community services to students within the District effective August 1, 2026 – September 30, 2027, as submitted.
- P. Board approved a Letter of Agreement for School-Health Initiative between UPMC Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh and Clairton City School District effective for school years 2026/2027 and 2027/2028 providing a comprehensive school-health partnership, as submitted.
- Q. Board approved Dr. Allen-Thomas to attend AIU Superintendents' Professional Learning Workshop to be held October 7 - 9, 2026 at the Sheraton Erie Bayfront, Erie, PA. Cost of PD to be paid by the AIU. Travel expenses to be paid by the District.

Non-Roll Call Vote: 9 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Absent 0 Abstentions APPROVED

Building & Grounds/Security Committee – Mr. Livingston, Chairperson

- A. None

Business Administrator's Agenda

Finance Committee – Mr. Fusco, Chairperson

ON MOTION made by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Mr. Tachoir, the Board of Directors, by non-roll call vote, approved the following items designated A. through C.

- A. Board ratified the Contract with James Carr & Sons Plumbing Inc. for Catch Basin & Storm Drain Installation per Invoice #63315, as submitted.
- B. Board approved a three (3) year Master Security Services Agreement by and between St. Moritz Security Services, Inc. and Clairton City School District beginning the 2026/2027 school year, as submitted.
- C. Board consented to the disposition of property at 426 Baker Avenue (Lot Block 879-S-243), Clairton, PA 15025 by the Tri-Cog Land Bank, as submitted.

Non-Roll Call Vote: 9 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Absent 0 Abstentions APPROVED

Athletic Agenda

Athletic Committee – Mr. Lyons, Chairperson

- A. **MOTION** made by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Ms. McKenzie, to accept the resignation of Marc Mignogna as Assistant Basketball Coach effective 08/20/26, as submitted.

Non-Roll Call Vote: 9 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Absent 0 Abstentions APPROVED

Before adjourning the meeting, Mr. Livingston asked Mr. McCloskey, Assistant Superintendent to expound on the "Ready to Learn Grant". Mr. McCloskey noted the funding was expected to be approximately \$100, 000 higher than the previous year. The plan is to allocate the funds toward salaries and cyber/charter prepayments to help streamline funding deductions.

Board member, Ms. McKenzie, questioned how the public would be made aware of some of the internal programs, such as Will Allen Foundation. Dr. Allen-Thomas stated this information is primarily shared through school calendars or notices sent home to families, as there is no newsletter. She concluded saying an accessible communication method is being evaluated.

XII. MOTION made by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Mr. Lyons at 7:11 p.m. to ADJOURN.

Respectfully submitted:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Gayle S. Colonna", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Gayle S. Colonna
Secretary to the Board