



<b>Board of Education</b>	KELLY SCHMIDT, PRESIDENT SHIRLEY HARRIS, VICE PRESIDENT - Absent STEVE CLEGG, TREASURER KEVIN WARD, SECRETARY CHAD ERICKSON, TRUSTEE MONICA VAN TUYLE, TRUSTEE DALE WINGERD, TRUSTEE - Absent JAMES CRACRAFT, SUPERINTENDENT
<b>Date &amp; Time:</b>	March 15, 2021 @ 6:06 p.m.
<b>Facilitator:</b>	Kelly Schmidt
<b>Note taker:</b>	Karen Perez
<b>Timekeeper:</b>	Kelly Schmidt
<b>Purpose of Meeting:</b>	Regularly Scheduled School Board Meeting
<b>Others Present:</b>	Kevin Beazley; Katie Bennett; Mimi Scott; Jennifer Ellis; Eric Claus; Jack Hartung; Jeff Waltz; Karen Perez; Mike Walters; Julie Johns; Carol Wahl Remote: Adam Covell

**March 15, 2021**

<b>PLEDGE</b>	I. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance ➤ Mission/Vision/Beliefs II. Consent Docket
<b>CELEBRATIONS</b>	III. Student Recognition - Vals/Sals/Scholars IV. Spirit Award V. Employee of the Month VI. Administrative Reports VII. Strategic Plan Committee Reports VIII. Board Committee Reports IX. Policy Review X. Probationary Teachers XI. Public Comment
<b>SCHOOL BUSINESS</b>	XII. New Hires XIII. Restricted Funds for Capital Outlay XIV. 3% Contributions to MPSERS Health Care Trust XV. Resignations XVI. Approval of Elementary & Middle School Course Catalogs XVII. 5th Grade Camp Storer XVIII. Closed Session - Negotiations XIX. Adjourn

## **PLEDGE**

### **I. Call to Order**

#### **Mission**

*The Mission of Clinton Community Schools is to provide a safe and healthy environment, educating and preparing every person to be explorers and life-long learners.*

#### **Vision**

*The Vision of Clinton Community Schools is to inspire and empower endless possibilities for every person.*

#### **Beliefs**

- ★ *We Believe Every Person Matters*
- ★ *We Believe a Collaborative Culture Promotes High Achievement and Innovation.*
- ★ *We Believe Successful Schools are a Shared Responsibility of Students, Parents, Staff and Community.*
- ★ *We Believe Every Person has Opportunities to Reach Their Full Potential.*

### **II. Consent Docket**

Minutes - February 15, 2021 regular meeting

Minutes - March 6, 2021 special call Board Workshop

Minutes - March 8, 2021 Policy Committee

Minutes - March 8, 2021 Finance Committee

Cash Positions

Monthly budget report

Monthly bills

**MOTION** to approve the consent docket detailed above.

Made by: Chad Erickson

Supported by: Kevin Ward

Vote: 5-0; Motion Passes

## **CELEBRATIONS**

### **III. Student Recognition - Vals/Sals/Scholars**

A special call meeting will be held Tuesday, March 23 to recognize all these students.



Congratulations to our Senior 2021 Valedictorian Ashley Bouse (4.372) and to our Salutatorian Nathan Chavez (4.293) as both earned Top spots at CHS.

**CHS SCHOLARS 4.0 AND HIGHER**  
Congratulations to our outstanding Senior Scholars.



Sophie Chandler, Eric Berndt, Nicholas Oliver, Hallie Kittle, Isabella VanTuyle



Joshua Schaffner, Sky Chandler, Mathew DeVitto, Karlee Szczesniak



Tess Woerner, Adam Kuebler, Caroline Moore

**IV. Spirit Award**

**Julie Johns** - First two-time winner. Jeff Waltz shared a story in which Julie actually “dumpster-dived” to salvage Covid-19 testing materials. She clearly went above-and-beyond!!!



**V. Employee of the Month**

Jessica Johnson, Strobus Insurance, will be at the meeting to recognize Richelle Covell as the district employee of the month.



Richelle Covell has been an employee with Clinton Community Schools for 3 years as a paraprofessional/aide. Richelle has worked individually with students and within classrooms. She provides monumental support to ensure student success within the classroom and the district as a whole. She was given a new assignment this year and is currently working one-on-one with a student at our middle school. She has gone above and beyond to make this transition successful; she’s continuously flexible, willing to learn, and adapts to new tasks with poise. Richelle recently finished her RBT training and is now a Registered Behavior Technician. Clinton Community Schools is better with

Richelle a part of our team. We thank you for all that you've done and continue to do! - Katie Bennett

## **VI. Administrative Reports**

- **Preschool**
  - March is Reading Month
  - Pride Celebration
  - 3/24-26 Spring Parent/Teacher Conferences
  - 3/29 Preschool Registration Begins for Fall
  
- **Elementary School**
  - March is Reading Month
  - NWEA training and Data Meetings
  - PRIDE celebration and goals
  - Kindergarten registration
  
- **Middle School**
  - Science curriculum PD
  - State testing
  - Virtual PRIDE assembly
  - Check-in Check-out
  
- **High School**
  - Val/Sal and CHS Scholars
  - Clinton to Host Michigan Regional Sea Perch at CHS parking lot April 17, 2021. 10:00 AM-2:00 PM
  - Carma and Sarah to invite new members for PBIS LEADers group
  - State Testing in groups 4/13-4/16 grades 9-12
  - May 15 Senior Picnic 6:00-8:30 PM CHS school grounds. Food trucks, Band games, photo booth etc volunteers needed to chaperone
    - Donations cash or prizes for drawings welcomed
  - May 27 Senior Scholarship night more information to come TBA
  - Graduation planned for June 6, 2021 outside Wegner Stadium 3:00PM
  
- **Athletics**
  - Great start for winter sports
  - Spring just around the corner
  - Ticket allowance update
  
- **Special Education**
  - State testing & accommodations
  - Preschool transition students/planning
  - Personal Curriculum Training for HS staff
  - Parapro/Aide staffing update; reading intervention
  
- **Superintendent**
  - Covid -19 Return to learning plan updates

- Bond Campaign Update
- Mascot Update

**VII. Strategic Plan Committee Reports**

- Student Growth
- Staff Professional Development
- Facilities
- Marketing
- Community Relations/Communication

**VIII. Board Committee Reports**

- Finance/Building & Grounds - Steve Clegg
- Policy/Bylaws - Monica VanTuyle
- Superintendent Evaluation - Shirley Harris
- Lenawee County Association of School Boards - Dale Wingerd
- Ad Hoc Legislative Committee - Dale Wingerd

**IX. Policy Review**

Superintendent will review recently received updates this month with NEOLA Representative. The remaining 2000# Administrative Guidelines continue to be reviewed by the Policy Committee.

**X. Probationary Teachers**

The following is an informational list of probationary teachers for the 2020-2021 school year:

<u>1st Year</u>	<u>2nd Year</u>	<u>4th Year</u>	<u>5th Year</u>	<u>Tenured</u>
Daniel Adler	Danielle Bowles	Crystal Blevins	Glenn Law	Carlee Pallett
Jay Briggs	Corey Hubbard	Greg Dutton	Melissa Loftis	
Zachery Casper	Nicole Korpusik	Karen Jansen	Taylor Racine	
Abigayil Clark	Onnalee Lach	Chelsea Lund	Al Regnier	
Sara Ford	Sheila Queener	Sarah Moorehead	Zach Van Lente	
	Lee Smither	Margaret Timmis		
	William Weidner	Lauren Underwood		
	Rick Wieirich	Demetrial Williams		

**XI. Public Comment – There was no public comment.**

## **SCHOOL BUSINESS**

### **XII. New Hires**

Carrie Clark, Substitute Bus Driver

**MOTION**, in accordance with #4120, "Employment of Support Staff," and the recommendation of Transportation Director and Superintendent, that Carrie Clark be hired as a substitute bus driver for the 2020-2021 school year.

Made by: Chad Erickson  
Supported by: Monica VanTuyle  
Vote: 5-0; Motion Passes

Courtney Aymen, Elementary Teacher Aide

**MOTION**, in accordance with #4120, "Employment of Support Staff," and the recommendation of the Director of Special Education & Student Services and Superintendent, that Courtney Aymen be hired as a Teacher Aide for the 2020-2021 school year.

Made by: Chad Erickson  
Supported by: Monica VanTuyle  
Vote: 5-0; Motion Passes

Tami Degner, Elementary Teacher Aide (returning)

**MOTION**, in accordance with #4120, "Employment of Support Staff," and the recommendation of the Director of Special Education & Student Services and Superintendent that Tami Degner be hired as a Teacher Aide for the 2020-2021 school year.

Made by: Chad Erickson  
Supported by: Monica VanTuyle  
Vote: 5-0; Motion Passes

### **XIII. Restricted Funds for Capital Outlay**

Superintendent Cracraft and the Finance Committee recommend that Clinton Community Schools restrict \$250,000 of the 2020-2021 General Fund to Fund 41 for capital outlay purchases or improvements for the 2nd revision budget revision in April 2021.

**MOTION**, in accordance with Policy #6220, "Budget Preparation," Policy #6800, "System of Accounting," and the recommendation of the Finance Committee and Superintendent, that \$250,000 be moved from unrestricted to restricted for Capital Outlay for 2nd budget revision 2020-2021.

Made by: Steve Clegg  
Supported by: Kevin Ward  
Vote: 5-0; Motion Passes

#### **XIV. 3% Contributions to the MPSERS Health Care Trust**

Clinton Community Schools has an opportunity to accept the Closing Agreement Form 2848 with the IRS to resolve the tax treatment of the 3% MPSERS Health Care contributions for 2013-2026. This form designates W. Alan Wilk as the school's representative before the IRS and to finalize the Closing Agreement on the school's behalf. The Closing Agreement will provide substantiation for districts to continue excluding the 3% contribution from FICA tax. This agreement extends through 2026 so the IRS would not be able to change their stance until after the agreement expires. The IRS fee is \$3,000 per district but ORS will be paying this fee for any district signing the agreement.

**MOTION**, in accordance with Policy #0172, "Legal Counsel," and the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Closing Agreement Form 2848 with the IRS be signed and submitted to the Office of Retirement designating W. Alan Wilk as our representative in this matter.

Made by: Steve Clegg  
Supported by: Kevin Ward  
Vote: 5-0; Motion Passes

#### **XV. Resignations**

After 21 years in education Laura Kryzaniak has decided to retire from Clinton Community Schools where she has been a Middle School teacher. Over the years Laura has proven herself to be not only a skilled educator but also a compassionate and understanding teacher who involved her students in international projects. Thank you Laura for all you have done for Clinton Community Schools and your students. Countless lives have been touched and improved through your work. One of Laura's favorite quotes is "Your life is your story...make it a good one" Wishing you an awesome retirement and the "next chapter" of your story!!

Heather Hicks has resigned her position as a teacher aide after three years of working at CES.

**MOTION**, in accordance with #3140, "Termination and Resignation," and the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the letters of resignation from Laura Kryzaniak and Heather Hicks be formally accepted by the Board of Education.

Made by: Kevin Ward  
Supported by: Chad Erickson  
Vote: 5-0; Motion Passes

## **XVI. Approval of Elementary & Middle School Course Catalogs**

In order to maintain compliancy with Pupil Accounting standards, the student course catalogs must show formal board approval. Therefore, the elementary course catalog and the middle school course catalogs are both being brought to the board for formal action.

**MOTION**, in accordance with Policy #2220, "Adoption of Courses of Study," and the recommendation of the Elementary Principal and Superintendent, that both the Elementary School Course Catalog and the Elementary School - Virtual Course Catalog be approved as presented.

Made by: Monica VanTuyle  
Supported by: Kevin Ward  
Vote: 5-0; Motion Passes

**MOTION**, in accordance with Policy #2220, "Adoption of Courses of Study," and the recommendation of the Middle School Principal and Superintendent, that the Middle School Course Catalog be approved as presented.

Made by: Chad Erickson  
Supported by: Monica VanTuyle  
Vote: 5-0; Motion Passes

## **XVII. 5th Grade Camp Storer, 2021-2022**

Board Members,

Thank you for your continuous support in providing our 5th grade students this memorable opportunity. Camp Storer looks forward to our visit every winter.

Camp Storer is an educational experience for our fifth graders at Clinton Elementary school. This will be our 11th year attending. Not only are the students immersed in activities relating to the Michigan Curriculum in Science and Social Studies, they participate daily in team-building activities. Furthermore, students will take a STEM engineering class engaging in hands-on exploration and investigations with solar energy.

**Camp Facilitator:** Jill Nicholson (5<sup>th</sup> grade teacher)  
[jill.nicholson@clinton.k12.mi.us](mailto:jill.nicholson@clinton.k12.mi.us)

**Principal:** Jennifer Ellis

**Date:** February 23 - 25, 2022

**Where:** YMCA Storer Camps



6941 Stony Lake Road  
Jackson, MI 49201

**Camp Storer contact:**

Nancy Burger (Camp Storer Outdoor School Director)

(517) 536-8607

[nburger@ymcastorercamps.org](mailto:nburger@ymcastorercamps.org)

**MOTION**, in accordance with Policy #2340, "Field and Other District-Sponsored Trips," and based on the recommendation of the Elementary Principal and Superintendent, that the 5th Grade Camp Storer/Overnight Field Trip Request for February 2022 be approved as presented.

Made by: Chad Erickson

Supported by: Kevin Ward

Vote: 5-0; Motion Passes

**XVIII. Closed Session - Negotiations**

**MOTION**, in accordance with Policy #0167.2, "Closed Session, and by way of a roll-call vote, the Board will enter into Closed Session to discuss negotiations.

Made by: Chad Erickson

Supported by: Kevin Ward

Roll Call Vote: Steve Clegg, Aye; Chad Erickson, Aye; Monica VanTuyle, Aye; Kelly Schmidt, Aye; Kevin Ward, Aye.

Vote: 5-0; Motion Passes; The Board entered Closed Session at 7:00 p.m.

**MOTION**, in accordance with Policy #0167.2, "Closed Session, and by way of a roll-call vote, the Board shall return to Open Session.

Made by: Chad Erickson

Supported by: Steve Clegg

Roll Call Vote: Steve Clegg, Aye; Chad Erickson, Aye; Monica VanTuyle, Aye; Kelly Schmidt, Aye; Kevin Ward, Aye.

Vote: 5-0; Motion Passes; The Board returned to Open Session at 7:20 p.m.

**XIX. Adjournment @ 7:20 p.m.**