

CLINTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
Board of Education



Board of Education	KELLY SCHMIDT, PRESIDENT SHIRLEY HARRIS, VICE PRESIDENT KEVIN WARD, SECRETARY STEVE CLEGG, TREASURER CHAD ERICKSON, TRUSTEE MONICA VAN TUYLE, TRUSTEE DALE WINGERD, TRUSTEE JAMES CRACRAFT, SUPERINTENDENT
Date & Time:	December 21, 2020 @ 6:06 p.m.
Facilitator:	Kelly Schmidt
Note taker:	Karen Perez
Timekeeper:	Kelly Schmidt
Purpose of Meeting:	Regularly Scheduled School Board Meeting (Virtual)
Others Present	Jack Hartung, Audra Mitchell, Brennan Schnaidt, Emma Snelling, Eric Claus, Heidi Kutzley, Jim Cracraft, Joe Bohnett, Jonathan Baugey, Kevin Beazley, Samuel Hoffman, Weston Fortney, Zander Hernandez, Karen Perez, Joseph Gillman, Jeff Waltz, Don Fry, Katie Bennett, Mimi Scott, Adam Covell, Margaret Timmis, Jennifer Ellis, Jeremy Fielder

December 21, 2020

PLEDGE	I. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance ➤ Mission/Vision/Beliefs
SCHOOL BUSINESS	II. Consent Docket III. Staff Member of the Month IV. Heidi Kutzley WCC Bridge Award V. Spirit Award VI. Administrative Reports VII. Strategic Plan Committee Reports VIII. Board Committee Reports IX. Public Comment X. Policy Approval XI. Acceptance of Grants XII. General Fund Budget 1st Revision XIII. Approval of the Preliminary Qualification Application XIV. Nomination for Michigan Association of School Board Region 7 XV. Resignations XVI. Purchase of Chromebooks

	XVII. Approval of Learning A-Z Licenses
	XVIII. Closed Session - Superintendent Evaluation

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.*

SCHOOL BUSINESS

II. Consent Docket

Minutes - November 16, 2020 regular meeting

Minutes - December 14, 2020 committee meetings (Policy & Finance)

Cash Positions

Monthly budget report

Monthly bills

Motion to approve the consent docket detailed above.

Made by: Kevin Ward

Supported by: Chad Erickson

Vote: 7-0; motion passes.

III. Staff Member of the Month

Jessica Johnson, Strobus (MEEMIC) Insurance, will recognize the Staff member of the Month Margaret Timmis, 8th Grade Math teacher at CMS.

Margaret Timmis is not only an exceptional teacher but an incredible person with an unmatched work ethic. She provides a level of professionalism and care for her students and coworkers alike.

Margaret helped lead the K-8 math committee in creating a unified curriculum across the two buildings. She co-created an after school math tutoring program for both struggling and accelerated students. She is a member of the CMS B.I.T., PRIDE programs and helps lead her grade level initiatives. Not only does she do all

this for her CMS team, but she is also a fantastic wife and mother. She is a talented woman whom we are all lucky to have at CCS.

IV. Heidi Kutzley WCC Bridge Award

Heidi is the recipient of Washtenaw Community College's Bridge Award. This award is given each year to a person who has gone above and beyond to help their high school students connect with Washtenaw Community College. "WCC is truly amazed at her commitment to her students."

V. Spirit Award

Jeff Waltz, Athletic Director, will announce this month's recipient of the "Spirit Award."

"We all know about the success they've had on the field this season, but in this weird month where sports have been suspended and seasons hang in the balance, I want to formally recognize Head Varsity Football Coach, Jeremy Fielder, for his tremendous leadership throughout this entire shutdown. Not only has Jeremy guided our Football team to a District Title and a spot in the Division 6 Elite 8, three wins away from a State Championship, but he has worked hard to keep his troops engaged with multiple Zoom team meetings, group chats, and general positivity that will be so crucial when we return. It is this type of leadership during times of adversity that this award exists in the first place. Jeremy has shown an incredible ability to stay prepared and to be a dealer in hope which is exactly what people need right now. In a recent tweet to the team when referring to attendance at an upcoming virtual team meeting, Jeremy said, "Would you rather have the pain of discipline or the pain of regret?" To me, that is preparing the kids for battle whenever we return. That is leadership. When we do return - and it is when, not if - I know that we will have a distinct competitive advantage because of the work that Jeremy has put in during this shutdown. Thank you, Jeremy!"

VI. Administrative Reports

❖ *Preschool*

- *Pajama Rama was a success - \$76.00 raised.*
- *100% Participation for Parent Teacher Conferences held 12/2-12/4.*
- *Looking forward to new enrollment for January.*

❖ *Elementary School*

- *Winter Semester Enrollment Update.*
- *Asynchronous day feedback and future plans.*
- *Remote learning for quarantined classrooms feedback.*
- *Math Committee and Into Math curriculum updates.*

❖ *Middle School*

- *Many new things every day.*
- *Normalcy is the goal.*
- *Doing our best to keep everyone on track and same page.*
- *Asynchronous day was a very nice breather for staff, kids stayed connected from home.*

❖ **High School**

- *Currently in Remote learning in a holding pattern. Adjusted Schedule to fit a more consistent schedule and learning environment.*
 - *Planning and staffing around MDHHS allowing certain groups of kids F2F.*
- *Remote PRIDE is going well. Gift Cards are a huge hit!*
- *Staff morale is good, but they miss the kids. They are working super hard to virtually instruct, create lessons and grade. Multi-tasking.*

❖ **Athletics**

- *New MHSAA Update - Suspends activity through Sunday, December 20.*
- *Fall All-LCAA Teams Announced (Football, Soccer, Volleyball, Cross Country).*
- *Sheila Martin resigned from EDUStaff as the JV Volleyball Coach.*
- *New Varsity Boys Bowling Coach: Mike Ruhl.*

❖ **Student Services/Special Education**

- *Hanley Project - MS*
 - *1 target student, 3 CCS staff, 3 ISD staff*
- *Planning for 2nd semester support for students; virtual → F2F.*
- *Parapro training - positive feedback, looking for more.*

❖ **Superintendent**

- *Covid 19 Updates and State requirements*
- *Bond Updates*
- *Mascot Update*

VII. Strategic Plan Committee Reports

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

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. Public Comment – There was none.

X. Policy Approval

The policies & guideline reviewed by Policy Committee and the Board in November for the first review are being presented again for second review and approval. They include these LGBTQ policies:

0144.2 - Board Member Ethics
1422 - Nondiscrimination and Equal Employment Opportunity
1622 - Anti-Harassment
2111 - Value Statements for Students and Staff
2260 - Nondiscrimination and Access to Equal Educational Opportunity
2430 - District-Sponsored Clubs and Activities
2431 - Interscholastic Athletics
3122 - Nondiscrimination and Equal Employment Opportunity
3362 - Anti-Harassment
4122 - Nondiscrimination and Equal Employment Opportunity
4362 - Anti-Harassment
5111 - Eligibility of Resident/Nonresident Students
5136 - Personal Communication Devices
5500 - Student Conduct
5517 - Anti-Harassment
5517.01 - Bullying and other Aggressive Behavior Toward Students
5730 - Equal Access for Nondistrict-Sponsored, Student Clubs and Activities
5780 - Student Rights
8330 - Student Records
8350 - Confidentiality
8462 - Student Abuse and neglect
211 - District Support Organizations
9250 - Relations with Parents

Motion, in accordance with Policy #0131.1, “Bylaws and Policies,” that the above-referenced guideline and policies be approved.

Made by: Steve Clegg
Supported by: Shirley Harris
Vote: 7-0; motion passes.

XI. Acceptance of Grants

The district has received two grants that must come to the Board for approval - first, the Round #6 Child Care Grant in the amount of \$26,500 for operational expenses and \$10,800 for Preschool & Latchkey families; and second, the ESSER Educational Equity Fund Grant in the amount of \$6,803 for internet access for distance learning families.

Motion, in accordance with Policy #7230, “Gifts, Grants and Bequests” that the Board of Education accept the Child Care Grant of \$26,500 for operational expenses and \$10,800 for preschool & latchkey credits; and accept the ESSER Educational Equity Fund Grant of \$6,803 for internet access.

Made by: Chad Erickson
Supported by: Kevin Ward
Vote: 7-0; motion passes.

XII. General Fund Budget 1st Revision

Attached is the first budget revision for the 2020-2021 school year. Increased revenue of \$1,750,865 due to increased enrollment and foundation allowance from state aid funding along with federal Coronavirus funds. Expenditures also increased \$728,877 due to Coronavirus, Virtual Platforms and previous budget cuts.

Due to these changes, expenditures will exceed revenue by \$73,294.

Motion, by way of a Roll Call Vote, in according with Policy #6220, Budget Preparation,” that the first revision 2020-2021 be adopted as amended.

Made by: Steve Clegg
Supported by: Kevin Ward
Roll Call Vote: Steve Clegg, Aye; Chad Erickson, Aye; Shirley Harris, Aye; Kelly Schmidt, Aye; Monica VanTuyle, Aye; Kevin Ward, Aye; Dale Wingerd, Aye. All aye; motion passes on a 7-0 vote.

XIII. Approval of the Preliminary Qualification Application (REVISED)

As the board is aware our PQA was reviewed by the Treasury. I am requesting that the Board make a motion to move forward with the PQA for the May 4 Bond election.

Motion, by way of a Roll Call Vote, that the Board of Education approve the Preliminary Qualification Application for the May 4, 2021 bond election.

Made by: Chad Erickson
Supported by: Steve Clegg
Roll Call Vote: Steve Clegg, Aye; Chad Erickson, Aye; Shirley Harris, Aye; Kelly Schmidt, Aye; Monica VanTuyle, Aye; Kevin Ward, Aye; Dale Wingerd, Aye. All aye; motion passes on a 7-0 vote.

XIV. Nomination for Michigan Association of School Board (MASB) Region 7

The Michigan Association of School Board is seeking nominations for an upcoming 3-year term for Region 7. Trustee Wingerd currently represents Region 7 and the Board would like to consider a nomination if Trustee is interested in another 3-year term.

Motion, by way of a Roll Call Vote, that the Board of Education nominates Dale Wingerd for the Michigan Association of School Board Region 7.

Made by: Kevin Ward
Supported by: Monica VanTuyle

Roll Call Vote: Steve Clegg, Aye; Chad Erickson, Aye; Shirley Harris, Aye; Kelly Schmidt, Aye; Monica VanTuyle, Aye; Kevin Ward, Aye; Dale Wingerd, Abstained. Motion Passes on a 6-0 Vote, with 1 Abstention.

XV. Resignations

Superintendent Cracraft has recently accepted two letters of resignation and will be offering them to the Board of Education for formal approval - William Bennett, Teacher Aide and Jami Cole, MS Counselor.

Motion, in accordance with Policies #3140 & #4140, "Termination and Resignation," that the two letters of resignation referenced above be formally accepted by the Board of Education.

Made by: Chad Erickson
Supported by: Shirley Harris
Vote: 7-0, motion passes.

XVI. Purchase of Chromebooks

These are to replace devices we had purchased last January/February that were meant to replace 7th/8th grade Chromebooks. These devices arrived in March; we didn't get to distribute them before we shut down. We ended up using some of these devices for the incoming third graders this fall which allowed us to avoid the shortage that many schools are still experiencing. These devices will be used to replace current 9th grade devices. The RFP was for 140 Chromebooks. We received a total of 6 bids. The top 3 bids are listed below.

Firefly Computers	\$41,403.60
Archangel Tablets	\$46,123.00
Trinity3 Technology	\$41,860.00

My recommendation is to go with Trinity3 Technologies bid at \$41,860. \$33,460 will come from Sinking Fund, \$8,400 will come from the Device Insurance Fund. They are the second lowest bidder behind FireFly, by \$456.40. Trinity3 is offering a better device and we currently have a good working relationship with them which I feel is worth the few extra hundred dollars.

Sinking Fund2 Amount:	\$33,460
Chromebook Insurance Fund Amount:	\$12,375

Motion, it is the recommendation of the Technology Director and Superintendent that, in compliance with Policy #6325 "Procurement - Federal Grants/Funds) that Trinity3 Technology be awarded the purchase for 140 Chromebooks in the amount of \$41,860, with the purchase being split between the Sinking Fund2 and Chromebook Insurance Fund as designated

Made by: Kevin Ward
Supported by: Chad Erickson

Vote: 7-0, motion passes.

XVII. Approval of Learning A-Z Licenses

This is a license renewal purchase. Due to the amount we are bringing to the Board for Approval.

Motion, in compliance with Policy #6325, 'Procurement - Federal Grants/Funds, that licenses be purchased from Learning A-Z in the amount of \$10,386.09.

Made by: Monica VanTuyle
Supported by: Shirley Harris
Vote: 7-0, motion passes.

XVIII. Closed Session - Superintendent Evaluation

The Board is expected to enter into closed session to discuss the Superintendent's evaluation.

Motion, by way of a Roll Call Vote, to enter into closed session to discuss the Superintendent's evaluation.

Made by: Kevin Ward
Supported by: Shirley Harris
Roll Call Vote: Steve Clegg, Aye; Chad Erickson, Aye; Shirley Harris, Aye; Kelly Schmidt, Aye; Monica VanTuyle, Aye; Kevin Ward, Aye; Dale Wingerd, Aye. All aye; motion passes. The Board entered into closed session at 7:02 p.m.

Motion, by way of a Roll Call Vote, to return to open session.

Made by: Chad Erickson
Supported by: Monica VanTuyle
Roll Call Vote: Steve Clegg, Aye; Chad Erickson, Aye; Shirley Harris, Aye; Kelly Schmidt, Aye; Monica VanTuyle, Aye; Kevin Ward, Aye; Dale Wingerd, Aye. All aye; motion passes. The Board returned to open session at 7:50 p.m.

Adjournment – The meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m.