



<b>Board of Education</b>	KELLY SCHMIDT, PRESIDENT SHIRLEY HARRIS, VICE PRESIDENT STEVE CLEGG, TREASURER DALE WINGERD, SECRETARY CHAD ERICKSON, TRUSTEE MIKE HOUGHTON, TRUSTEE MONICA VAN TUYLE, TRUSTEE JAMES CRACRAFT, SUPERINTENDENT
<b>Date &amp; Time:</b>	October 18, 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>	Mimi Scott; Jennifer Ellis; Adam Jurasek; Eric Claus; Kevin Beazley; Katie Bennett; Jeff Waltz; Jack Hartung; Kyle Hoffman; Linda Posa; Nathan & Julie Desbrough; David Lacasse; Ethan Younts; Merrik Gibson; Logan DeVitto; Sydney Schuler; Jacob Gilson; Emma Fair; Aryiana Clark; Don Fry; Heather Hicks; William Ochoa; Julie Mannlein; Dan VanValkenburg; Kelly Baughey; Mason Sims; Richard Randolph; Daniel Bohnett; Brayden McIntire; Brandon Mannlein; Dawn Bolan; Mike Walters

### October 18, 2021

<b>PLEDGE</b>	I. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance ➤ Mission/Vision/Beliefs II. Consent Docket
<b>CELEBRATION/ INFORMATION ITEMS</b>	III. Spirit Award IV. Principal's Month Recognition V. Strategic Planning Committee VI. Administrative Reports VII. Board Committee Reports VIII. Update on Bond Projects IX. Public Comment
<b>SCHOOL BUSINESS/ ACTION ITEMS</b>	X. Resignations XI. Winter Coaching Assignments XII. Facilities Insurance Claim XIII. School Building & Site Bond Payments XIV. Y5-5 Reading Program XV. Fountas and Pinnell LLI Supplemental Kits XVI. CESPAC Contract XVII. CEA - Letter of Understanding XVIII. New Hire

	XIX. Closed Session
	XX. Adjournment

## **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 - September 20, 2021 regular board meeting  
Minutes - October 2, 2021 board workshop  
Minutes - October 11, 2021 finance committee meeting  
Cash Positions  
Monthly budget report  
Monthly bills

**Motion**, in accordance with Policy #0166.1, "Consent Agenda," the consent docket be approved as presented.

Made by: Dale Wingerd  
Supported by: Chad Erickson  
Vote: 7-0; motion passed

## **CELEBRATIONS/INFORMATION ITEMS**

### **III. Spirit Award**

Jack Hartung - To Jack and his crew who worked tirelessly after the JV Football game against Columbia Central to have our grass field looking good as new in just one week after a complete mud bowl.

#### **IV. Principal's Month Recognition**

We are recognizing our building leaders as we do each October in celebration of National Principals Month. October is National Principals Month. Having worked with Michigan school principals for over 34 years and having been an AP or Principal for 17 of those years, I understand the hard work and dedication that goes to running our schools. We are grateful for your service and leadership. Especially during this challenging school year, your commitment and devotion to school and community are keys to the long-term success of your students. On behalf of Clinton Community Schools' stakeholders, thank you!

Mimi Scott, Preschool Director  
Adam Jurasek, Y5-8 Assistant Principal  
Jennifer Ellis, Elementary Principal  
Eric Claus, Middle School Principal  
Kevin Beazley, High School Principal

#### **V. Strategic Planning**

- Academics/Programs- Jen Ellis Update
- Facilities and Operations- Jack Hartung Update
- District Finances/Bond Projects Jim Cracraft
- Communication and Community Relations- Feedback on District Communications

#### **VI. Administrative Reports**

##### **Preschool**

- Family Engagement Opportunities
- Clinton Fire Department
- Early Release PD
- GSRP-PreK CLASS Observation Tool

##### **Elementary School**

- Data Meeting
- 2nd grade Fieldtrip Hidden Lake Garden
- PTO Fun Run
- PBIS Tier II Interventions Update
- Trunk or Treat
- Bus Buddies

##### **Middle School**

- School pictures
- Check in check out
- PRIDE students of the month
- PRIDE assembly

##### **High School**

- Student Appreciation Day LEADers group
- Homecoming Activities

- Military Appreciation week and service wall.
- Thank you's from MI schools 4 Boys
- FITS afternoon on 11/2 rain date 11/3 Sponsored by Earth Club (Renee Gilson)
  - Vol needed to take snacks and water

### **Special Education/Student Services**

- 30-day IEPs complete
- 8th Grade honorary football captain 10/6 game
- MS Teaching Position Update

### **Athletics**

- Fall Update - Homecoming/Military Appreciation/Cancer Game
- Kyleigh Ramos - States (Golf)

### **Superintendent**

- Update on Student Accident
- Start of School Review
- Covid-19 updates
- Clean financial audit

## **VII. 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

## **VIII. Update on Bond Projects**

Superintendent will give an update on recent progress, specifically the recent preliminary plans, pricing, and sale of bonds.

## **IX. Public Comment**

William Ochoa addressed the Board stating his displeasure about being required to still "learn everything on his own" while sent home for close contact tracing.

## **SCHOOL BUSINESS/ACTION ITEMS**

### **X. Resignations**

Dawn Bolan, Varsity Sideline & Competitive Cheer Coach, Jeff Rolland, Varsity Wrestling Coach, Ben Griffin, (Co) JV Wrestling Coach, and Edward Kovach, Substitute bus driver have submitted their resignations.

**Motion**, in accordance with Policies #3140 & #4140 "Termination and Resignation," the Board will formally accept the resignations of Varsity

Cheerleading Coach Dawn Bolan, Varsity Wrestling Coach Jeff Rolland, (Co) JV Wrestling Coach Ben Griffin, and Substitute Bus Driver Edward Kovach.

Made by: Chad Erickson  
Supported by: Steve Clegg  
Vote: 7-0; motion passed

## **XI. Winter Coaching Assignments**

Since MHSAA winter practices start as early as November 8, winter coaches must be approved at the October meeting. Those indicated by "Clinton Schools" shall be hired directly by the district; those indicated by "EDUStaff" will be recommended for hire by that contractual third party:

### Boys Basketball:

*Clinton Schools:* Greg Dutton - JV Head; Nito Ramos - MS/8 Head; Steve DeGood - MS/7 Head  
*EDUStaff:* Jeremy Chavez - Varsity Head  
*Volunteers:* Tyler Hoelzer

### Girls Basketball:

*Clinton Schools:* Steve DeGood - MS/7 Head  
*EDUStaff:* Will Bennett - Varsity Head; David Frederick- JV Head; Sue Cornish - MS/8 Head  
*Volunteers:* Atra Stephens

### Wrestling:

*Clinton Schools:* Casey Randolph - V Assistant; Al Reigner - MS Assistant; George Ames - MS Head  
*EDUStaff:* OPEN - V Head; Dave Pearce - JV Head  
*Volunteers:* Shane Speth, Dan Bergsma

### Competitive Cheer:

*EDUStaff:* OPEN - V Head

### Bowling:

*Volunteers:* Jim Welch - V Head; Mike Ruhl - MS Head

**Motion**, in accordance with Policy #3120, Employment of Professional Staff," #3120.08, "Employment of Personnel for co-Curricular/Extra-curricular Activities," and #3120.10, "Coaching Positions," and based upon the recommendation of the Athletic Director and Superintendent, the slate of FY21-22 Winter Coaches be approved as presented.

Made by: Monica VanTuyle  
Supported by: Mike Houghton  
Vote: 7-0; motion passed

## **XII. Facilities Insurance Claim**

Two high school compressors received storm damage. JC Mechanical quoted the district \$6,125 per compressor for a total of \$12,250. Insurance approved the claim and will cover the invoice minus the \$2,500 deductible.

**Motion**, in accordance with Policy #.8710 “Insurance” and based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and Director of Operations that the storm damaged compressor be replaced by JC Mechanical.

Made by: Shirley Harris  
Supported by: Chad Erickson  
Vote: 7-0; motion passed

## **XIII. School Building & Site Bond Payments**

Per the Closing Memorandum for 2021 School Building & Site Bonds, Series I, the District must pay \$131,064.80 in Issuance Costs from the bond proceeds.

District has received one invoice from Fleis & Vandenbrink for Topo Survey in the amount of \$24,900.

District has received invoices from Wolgast and Integrated Designs for monthly expenses incurred for professional & staffing and construction vendor checks for an amount not to exceed \$250,000 for IDI and \$500,000 for Wolgast

**Motion**, in accordance with Policy #6110, “Grant Funds,” and based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent & Business Manager that Issuance Costs, Fleis & Vandenbrink, Wolgast and Integrated Designs, Inc monthly invoices be paid with FY21-22 Capital Projects Fund.

Made by: Steve Clegg  
Supported by: Chad Erickson  
Vote: 7-0; motion passed

## **XIV. Y5-5 Supplemental Reading Program**

CES utilizes Leading A-Z as a supplemental reading program for our students in Y5-5th grade. This digital resource expands literacy and empowers personalized reading instruction, assessment and practice for our elementary students. The program offers differentiated reading with more than 2,000 book titles at 29 levels of reading difficulty, aligns with common core standards and provides guided lessons to enhance instruction and strengths students reading skills. Our 1:1 technology supports this program for student utilization inside and outside of the school day.

**Motion**, in accordance with Policies #2521, “Selection of Instructional Materials and Equipment,” #6320, “Purchasing,” and #6325, “Procurement - Federal Grants/Funds,” it is the recommendation of the Elementary Principal and

Superintendent that the Board approve the purchase of Learning A-Z License at a cost of \$10,877.50 from the FY21-22 General Fund.

Made by: Chad Erickson  
Supported by: Shirley Harris  
Vote: 7-0; motion passed

#### **XV. Fountas and Pinnell Supplemental Leveled Literacy Intervention**

The Fountas & Pinnell Leveled Literacy Intervention is a powerful resource that provides daily, small-group instruction, which supplements classroom literacy teaching. LLI is a research evidence based supplement that supports readers into becoming successful with engaged leveled books and fast-paced systematically designed lessons. The Elementary School had piloted this program in our 3rd grade classrooms last year and observed tremendous results and would like to roll up this opportunity up to teachers in 4th and 5th grade. Heinemann is currently the only vendor that supplies the kits for the United States. Other vendors- Pearson only ships the products within Canadian Provinces and Amazon only sells selected items of the intervention (second hand items).

**Motion**, in accordance with Policies #2521, "Selection of Instructional Materials and Equipment," #6320, "Purchasing," and #6325, "Procurement - Federal Grants/Funds," it is the recommendation of the Elementary Principal and Superintendent that the Board approve the purchase of the Fountas & Pinnell Leveled Literacy materials at a cost of \$29,865 from the FY21-22 General Fund.

Made by: Mike Houghton  
Supported by: Monica VanTuyle  
Vote: 7-0; motion passed

#### **XVI. CESPAs Contract**

The CESPAs has ratified a three year agreement with the Clinton Community Schools. The Contract has been presented to the board for review and approval.

**Motion**, in accordance with Policy #3124 "Employment Contract" the Board approve the CESPAs Contract effective July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2024.

Made by: Steve Clegg  
Supported by: Shirley Harris  
Roll Call Vote: Steve Clegg, Aye; Chad Erickson, Abstained; Mike Houghton, Aye; Monica VanTuyle, Aye; Kelly Schmidt, Aye; Shirley Harris, Aye; Dale Winged, Aye  
Vote: 6-0 (with 1 Abstention); motion passed

#### **XVII. CEA - Letter of Understanding**

Block scheduling at the high school has created longer periods that staff must cover if we need a teacher to substitute teach. Historically they have been

compensated at \$25 per 45 minutes. At CHS there are times teachers will need to cover the 90 minute block during their prep. If they cover a 90 minute block the CEA has proposed compensating them at \$40 total compensation.

**Motion**, in accordance with Policy #3124 "Employment Contract" and Policy #1210 the Board approve the Letter of Understanding with the CEA effective October 19, 2021 for the 2021-2022 school year.

Made by: Chad Erickson

Supported by: Dale Wingerd

Roll Call Vote: Steve Clegg, Aye; Chad Erickson, Aye; Mike Houghton, Aye; Monica VanTuyle, Aye; Kelly Schmidt, Aye; Shirley Harris, Aye; Dale Wingerd, Aye; motion passes on a 7-0 vote

## **XVIII. New Hire**

James Hawkins lives in the district and has a son who attends CMS. He currently works at Busch's in the deli and would like to start substitute bus driving.

**Motion**, in accordance with Policy #4120, "Employment of Support staff," and upon the recommendation of the Transportation Director and the Superintendent, that James Hawkins be hired as a Substitute Bus Driver for the 2021-2022 school year.

Made by: Mike Houghton

Supported by: Shirley Harris

Vote: 7-0; motion passed

## **XIX. Closed Session**

The Board may consider going into closed session for the purposes of 1) discussing negotiations; and 2) considering the suspension of a student.

**Motion** that the Board of Education appoint Superintendent James Cracraft to serve as the Board's Hearing Officer for the disciplinary hearing conducted this evening regarding the alleged misconduct of a Clinton High School student.

Made by: Chad Erickson

Supported by: Shirley Harris

Roll Call Vote: Steve Clegg, Aye; Chad Erickson, Aye; Mike Houghton, Aye; Monica VanTuyle, Aye; Kelly Schmidt, Aye; Shirley Harris, Aye; Dale Wingerd, Aye; motion passes on a 7-0 vote

**Motion**, Pursuant to Section 8(b) of the Michigan Open Meetings Act, MCL 15.268(b), and upon the request of the parent of the student, the Board of Education go into closed session for the purpose of conducting a hearing to consider student disciplinary action.



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

The Board entered Closed Session at 6:51 p.m.

**Motion**, in accordance with Policy #0167.2, "Closed Session," and by way of a roll-call vote, the Board exit Closed Session and return to open session.

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

The Board returned to Open Session at 8:30 p.m.

**Motion**, that the following Board Resolution for Student Discipline be adopted:

WHEREAS,

- 1) the Clinton High School administration has recommended that a student whose identity is known to the Board (the "student") be suspended for engaging in misconduct in violation of Clinton Community Schools' Board Policies 3362.01 – Threatening Behavior Toward Staff Members; 5610 – Emergency Removal, Suspension, and Expulsion of Students; section 1311a of Michigan's Revised School Code; and the Clinton High School Student Handbook:
- 2) School administrators notified the Student's parents of the specific charge underlying the discipline recommendation, as well as the date, time, and place of the disciplinary hearing.
- 3) Pursuant to the request of the Student's parents, and as authorized by Section 8(b) of the Michigan Open Meetings Act, MCL 15.268(b), the disciplinary hearing was conducted in a closed session meeting of the Board.
- 4) The hearing afforded the Student and the Student's representatives an opportunity to respond to the charge and to present pertinent evidence for the Board's consideration.
- 5) The Board has carefully considered all of the evidence produced in this student discipline hearing.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- 1) A preponderance of the evidence establishes that on October 6, 2021, the student engaged in misconduct in violation of Clinton Community Schools' Board Policies 3362.01 – Threatening Behavior Toward Staff Members; 5610 – Emergency Removal, Suspension, and Expulsion of Students; section 1311a of Michigan's Revised School Code; and the Clinton High School Student Handbook.

- 2) Based on careful consideration of all the following factors, the Board determines that suspension from school is warranted:
  - The student's age;
  - The student's disciplinary history;
  - Whether the student has a disability;
  - The seriousness of the behavior;
  - Whether the behavior posed a safety risk;
  - Whether restorative practices are a better option; and
  - Whether lesser interventions would address the behavior.
- 3) The Student is suspended for a period of 62.5 days beginning on October 6, 2021, and continuing up to and through January 23, 2022.
- 4) During the time of the suspension, the Student may not be on school grounds or attend any functions at the District without prior written approval from the Superintendent.
- 5) Consistent with Sections 11a and 1311(1) of the Revised School Code, the Board finds that the interests of the District are served by this resolution.
- 6) Administrators are directed and authorized to implement all terms of this resolution and are delegated all necessary authority to do so.
- 7) All resolutions and parts of resolutions that conflict with the provisions of this resolution are rescinded.

Made by: Steve Clegg

Supported by: Chad Erickson

Roll Call Vote: Steve Clegg, Aye; Chad Erickson, Aye; Mike Houghton, Aye; Monica VanTuyle, Aye; Kelly Schmidt, Aye; Shirley Harris, Aye; Dale Wingerd, Aye; motion passes on a 7-0 vote.

**XX. Adjourn** at 8:35 p.m.