

**MINUTES FROM THE MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
CLIFF PARK HIGH SCHOOL
HELD ON JANUARY 15, 2019**

Directors attending: Rod Hale, Robert McIntosh, Fred Shuemake, Nicole Barnes, Amy Clay, and Dana Calhoun.

Guests: Jason McMillin, Maureen Businger, Jeff Waechter, Chuck Hall, and Arthur L. Clements III, Esq., and by telephone Karen Wachter, and Tammie Osler.

Mr. McIntosh called the meeting to order at 6:09 p.m. and following introductions there was no public comment. He then asked for a motion concerning the Agenda. Thereafter, upon a motion duly made by Mr. Hale and seconded by Ms. Calhoun, the Board of Directors unanimously passed the following resolution:

19-01 RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors accepts the Agenda for the Board Meeting on January 15, 2019, subject to any amendment by the Board of Directors during said meeting.

There were no changes to the Minutes from the previous meeting. Thereafter, upon a motion duly made by Ms. Clay and seconded by Ms. Calhoun, the Board of Directors unanimously passed the following resolution:

19-02 RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors approves the minutes from the December 18, 2018 meeting as presented.

Mr. Clements provided the Legal Update and discussed the opportunities for charter school policy changes in connection with the upcoming Budget Bill, which would be introduced by the new Governor, Mike DeWine. It is hoped that his Budget Bill will include some charter friendly changes.

Ms. Osler presented the Sponsor Report and reviewed with the Board the Sponsor Connection Newsletter. She noted that the Sponsor had been rated Effective by ODE and that the number of charter schools statewide had declined to 307 from 320 and that there were fewer sponsors. She commented on the Agenda item concerning the Comprehensive Plan and noted that contracts may not be submitted to ODE without a Comprehensive Plan. The Plan in the Board Book includes portions from the School's Charter with St. Aloysius.

Mr. Cash presented testimony to JCARR in an effort to make changes to the rules impacting dropout recovery schools like this one.

Thereafter, upon a motion made by Mr. McIntosh and seconded by Ms. Clay, the Board of Directors unanimously passed the following resolution:

19-03 RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors accepts the Sponsor's Report as presented.

Jason McMillin presented the Financial Report through December 31 and noted that the School is doing well financially and that FTEs are strong. However, Cliff Park's FTEs declined slightly in December.

The School is in a strong cash position and the audit is complete and has been sent the Auditor of State's Office for their review. Federal Funds were drawn down in December and the School is doing a good job spending them and will spend 100% of the School's allocation. Thereafter, upon a motion duly made by Ms. Barnes and seconded by Mr. McIntosh, the Board of Directors unanimously passed the following resolution:

19-04 RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors accepts the Financial Report as presented.

Ms. Wachter presented the Management Company Report and discussed recent teacher meetings at which changes to the Alternative Graduation Pathways and changes to NWEA MAP were discussed. Cliff Park will be receiving a delivery of furniture in the near future and the School's ribbon cutting for the new addition will take place on January 22. The additional space at Cliff Park will allow the School to advance its Career Tech program. The School would appreciate any Board members who could, attend the ribbon cutting. Thereafter, upon a motion duly made by Ms. Clay and seconded by Ms. Calhoun, the Board of Directors unanimously passed the following resolution:

19-05 RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors accepts the Management Company Report as presented.

Mr. Waechter presented the State of the School Report and mentioned the Grand Opening on January 22. There followed a discussion about potential weather issues and what to do if the School was closed on the date of the Grand Opening. Also, the Board reviewed the report on the School's demographics and the report stating that there had been no incidents of Harassment, Intimidation or Bullying for the most recent reporting period. The Board also reviewed the OIP.

Thereafter, upon a motion duly made by Mr. McIntosh and seconded by Ms. Barnes, the Board of Directors unanimously passed the following resolution:

19-06 RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors accepts the State of School Report, including a report on verified acts of Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying as presented.

The Board reviewed the School's demographic information and found it to be similar to the community's demographics. Thereafter, upon a motion duly made by Ms. Barnes and seconded by Ms. Clay, the Board of Directors unanimously passed the following resolution:

19-07 WHEREAS, the Board of Directors has reviewed a comparison of the School's current racial and ethnic demographics with the demographics for local public schools and the surrounding area; and

WHEREAS, the School markets to every subsection of the potential student population.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors finds the School's marketing plan continues its commitment to the requirements of the applicable racial and ethnic balance laws.

The Board reviewed the School Improvement Plan. Thereafter, upon a motion duly made by Mr. McIntosh and seconded by Ms. Calhoun, the Board of Directors unanimously passed the following resolution:

19-08 RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors approves the School Improvement Plan as presented.

It was noted that ODE will be holding a webinar on Friday regarding School Improvement Plans.

There followed a discussion about the School Improvement Grant which is a competitive grant that would provide significant funding for four years. The Grant Application must be aligned with the OIP. Thereafter, upon a motion made by Ms. Calhoun and seconded by Ms. Clay, the Board of Directors unanimously passed the following resolution:

19-09 RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors supports the School's application for 1003 Federal School Improvement Funds.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors authorizes its Board President to sign an application for the same.

Ms. Osler briefly explained the Comprehensive Plan and there were no questions. Thereafter, upon a motion made by Ms. Clay and seconded by Mr. McIntosh, the Board of Directors unanimously passed the following resolution:

19-10 WHEREAS, the School is currently operating;

WHEREAS, pursuant to O.R.C. 3314.03(B), the School shall submit to the Sponsor a comprehensive plan for the school;

WHEREAS, the School has always submitted the comprehensive plan in the body of the Community School Contract with the Sponsor;

NOW THEREFORE, the Governing Authority approves the attached comprehensive plan, which includes the following:

- 1) The process by which the governing authority of the school will be selected in the future;
- 2) The management and administration of the school;
- 3) The School was not and is not a currently existing public school or education service center building;
- 4) The instructional program and educational philosophy of the school; and
- 5) Internal financial controls.

Mr. Clements explained the Student Residency and Address Verification Policy and asked the Board if they had any questions about the Policy. Mr. Hale commented that it seemed unnecessary and extra work for charter schools. Thereafter, upon a motion duly made by Mr. McIntosh and seconded by Mr. Shuemake, the Board of Directors unanimously passed the following resolution:

19-11 RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors approves the Student Residency and Address Verification Policy as presented.

The Board briefly discussed the College Credit Policy. Thereafter, upon a motion duly made by Mr. Hale and seconded by Ms. Barnes, the Board of Directors unanimously passed the following resolution:

19-12 RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors approves the College Credit Plus Policy with further modifications as may be approved by the President.

The Board discussed whether to purchase a van for Cliff Park similar to the van previously purchased for Marshall. Thereafter, upon a motion duly made by Mr. Shuemake and seconded by Ms. Calhoun, the Board of Directors unanimously passed the following resolution:

19-13 RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors authorizes an expenditure not to exceed \$35,000 for the purchase of a passenger van for Cliff Park High School including the cost of car wrap signage.

Mr. Hale then asked for Board member comments. Mr. Shuemake commented that Springfield had been rated one of the most dangerous cities in Ohio at number 2 and that Middletown and Dayton were 9 and 10 respectively. Ms. Barnes commented that STEM teaching is place at Wright Patterson Airforce Base.

Ms. Calhoun asked about other incentives for attendance.

Thereafter, the meeting was adjourned.

Nicola Barnes, Secretary
Cliff Park High School