

**CLAWSON PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**

**SPECIAL MEETING
May 1, 2023**

PRELIMINARY

The President, Michael Frink, called the meeting of the Clawson Board of Education to order in the Clawson Middle School Media Center at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Members Present: Kimberley Carlesimo, Daniel Ewald, Jr., Michael Frink, Angela Hamilton, Samantha Hanser Maynard, and Ted Verner

Members Absent: Thomas Reed, Jr.

Administration Present: Billy Shellenbarger, Dyanne Hildebrant, Nicole McDonald, and Kevin Taratuta

Others in Attendance: Stacey Helm, Nikki Kerchner, Claire Prost, Toby Nemyer, Ruth Rothenberg, Sharon Kroll, Andrea Hodges, and Kelly Pearson

Mr. Frink announced that a Closed Session for the purpose of negotiations would be added at the end of this meeting.

PUBLIC FORUM

None

ACTION ITEMS

Approval of NOVA Abatement Bid

WHEREAS, Clawson Public Schools through NOVA Environmental, Inc. sought bids for asbestos abatement work at Clawson High School and Clawson Middle School; and

WHEREAS, bids were received, a review of bids took place, and the references were checked for the lowest bidder.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the contract be awarded to Qualified Abatement Services, Inc. in the amount of \$43,275.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clawson Board of Education gives authorization to the Superintendent or his designee to sign the agreement between Clawson Public Schools and the respective contractors.

MOVED BY: Mrs. Carlesimo
SUPPORTED BY: Mr. Verner

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Carlesimo	Yes
Mr. Ewald	Yes
Mrs. Hamilton	Yes
Ms. Hanser Maynard	Yes
Mr. Verner	Yes
Mr. Frink	Yes

MOTION CARRIED: Unanimously

Approval of Device Refresh Purchases

BE IT RESOLVED, that the superintendent be authorized to finalize the purchase of Apple iPads from Apple based off of REMC Pricing for a total of \$35,280.00, four 30 Device Charging Carts from Bluum based off of REMC pricing for a total of \$2,046.52, and 120 JAMF Licenses from School Tech Team for a total of \$2,100.00, all to be purchased with pre-allocated Bond Funds; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the superintendent be authorized to finalize the purchase of Dell Desktops for the Clawson High School CTE Lab from Presidio based off of REMC pricing in the amount of \$16,857.28 to be purchased with pre-allocated Bond Funds; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the superintendent be authorized to finalize the purchase of Acer ChromeBoxes for replacement of the Elementary Lab Computers from CDW-G, including Google Management Licenses, based off REMC pricing, in the amount of \$27,113.60, to be purchased with pre-allocated Bond Funds.

MOVED BY: Mr. Frink
SUPPORTED BY: Mrs. Hamilton

ROLL CALL:

Mr. Ewald	Yes
Mrs. Hamilton	Yes
Ms. Hanser Maynard	Yes
Mr. Verner	Yes
Mrs. Carlesimo	Yes
Mr. Frink	Yes

MOTION CARRIED: Unanimously

Approval of Procurement/Replacement of Printers at the HS and MS

RESOLVED, that the superintendent be authorized to finalize the purchase of new copiers for the new Middle School and the High School from our current copier vendor Applied Innovations in the amount of \$66,928.00.

MOVED BY: Mrs. Carlesimo
SUPPORTED BY: Mr. Verner

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Hamilton	Yes
Ms. Hanser Maynard	Yes
Mr. Verner	Yes
Mrs. Carlesimo	Yes
Mr. Ewald	Yes
Mr. Frink	Yes

MOTION CARRIED: Unanimously

Approval of Official Action to Call Election

WHEREAS, the School District is contemplating undertaking various capital improvements within the School District as detailed on the School Building and Site Bond Proposal attached as Exhibit A (collectively the “Projects”);

WHEREAS, the School District is of the opinion that in order to finance the Projects, a bonding proposition should be submitted to the electors at a Regular Election to be held at the August 8, 2023;

WHEREAS, the School District is a Michigan general powers school district operating under the Revised School Code, as amended, and as such the School District’s elections are governed by the Michigan Election Law, Act 116, Public Acts of Michigan, 1954, as amended (the “Michigan Election Law”);

WHEREAS, the School District desires to submit a bonding proposition to the electors at a Regular Election to be held on August 8, 2023, which election will be conducted by the School District’s Election Coordinator;

WHEREAS, Michigan Election Law requires that the School District certify the ballot language for any proposals to be submitted for voter approval at an allowable election date to the School District’s Election Coordinator not later than 4:00 p.m. on the twelfth Tuesday before the election date;

WHEREAS, the School District desires to approve the above referenced bonding proposition and to authorize the Superintendent or his designee to certify the bonding proposition to the School District’s Election Coordinator.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE CLAWSON PUBLIC SCHOOLS, COUNTY OF OAKLAND, MICHIGAN THAT:

1. The “School Building and Site Bond Proposal” attached hereto as Exhibit A, is hereby approved and shall be submitted to the electors at a Regular Election to be held on August 8, 2023, which is the August Regular Election date calculated pursuant to MCL 168.641(a).
2. The Superintendent or his designee are authorized to certify the above-referenced Proposition to the School District’s Election Coordinator on or

before 4:00 p.m. on May 15, 2023, which is not later than the twelfth Tuesday before the Election to be held on August 8, 2023.

3. The Superintendent or his designee are further authorized to take any and all action required under Michigan Election Law with regard to the Election to be held on August 8, 2023.
4. All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this Resolution are hereby rescinded.

MOVED BY: Mr. Frink
SUPPORTED BY: Mr. Verner

ROLL CALL:

Ms. Hanser Maynard	Yes
Mr. Verner	Yes
Mrs. Carlesimo	Yes
Mr. Ewald	Yes
Mrs. Hamilton	Yes
Mr. Frink	Yes

MOTION CARRIED: Unanimously

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Bond Update

Nikki Kerchner presented the construction timeline, bidding and procurement update, budget, and construction updates.

New ELA Curriculum

Nicole McDonald explained that Fontas and Pinnell (F&P) was purchased one grade level at a time beginning in 2017 starting with Kindergarten. We have since purchased the

reading curriculum for K-2 as well as assessment kits and word study kits K-5. No curriculum has been purchased for grades 3-5 in over 10 years.

Over the past two years we have learned that our current curriculum F&P is not scoring well and is not researched based. Oakland Schools recommended several programs last fall. We narrowed our search to 2 programs that had great rating on the pieces that were determined by our team to be most important. We piloted two companies for grades 3-5 and rated them; then moved forward with CKLA to Pilot DK-2.

Amplify CKLA is a unique core curriculum for grades PreK–5 ELA that is grounded in the Science of Reading and combines rich, diverse content knowledge in history, science, literature, and the arts with systematic research-based foundational skills instruction. The recommendation is to purchase this new curriculum.

This will be an action item at the May 15, 2023 regular meeting.

SEL Committee Presentation

The SEL Committee presented a plan for 2023-2024. The committee members are Ruth Rothenberg, Rebecca Rice, Michelle Haight, Kelly Pearson, Sharon Kroll, Claire Prost, Johanna Sherry, Laura Hall, Amy Reaume, Katie Adolph-Blake, Dyanne Hildebrant, and Amy Maglio.

The SEL Team agreed that having a yearlong program integrating SEL with children, families, and staff would have the most meaningful impact to the school community. Each month we will have different themed activities for the entire school community to participate in. We will be using grant funding from 31aa to financially support our events.

We are continuing to see high levels of behavioral, mental health and academic concerns across all of our buildings. Our SEL Curriculum is one way we are addressing these issues. In addition, we would like to give students, parents, and staff some basic tools that have been shown to decrease stress and increase well-being. These monthly activities will also build stronger home/school connections. Families will be notified at the beginning of the year with a yearly breakdown/monthly focus and the schedule for the first few months for SEL focus. Each month we will push out information on social media, newsletters, seminar/classroom instruction, flyers and announcements.

This will be an action item at the May 15, 2023 regular meeting.

Sale of Schalm and Baker

The approved scope for the upcoming 2023 bond includes an \$800,000 estimate for the demolition of both Schalm and Baker. The 2021 bond committee obtained a cost estimate from CBRE, an international real estate brokerage firm for the properties in 2020 for an estimated selling price of approximately \$3,000,000.

In the fall of 2023 the Superintendent and Director of Finance and Business Services originally contacted CBRE to quote the planning, marketing and sale of the properties. After the initial discussion with CBRE the Director of Finance and Business Services obtained additional information from other local districts on the sale of their properties for additional contacts. A majority of local responders had high opinions of Great Northern Consulting Group (GNCG) for the brokering of their properties sales. Based on these recommendations, an informational meeting was held with GNCG to quote their services. GNCG could positively affirm they have experience with direct sale of school property whereas CBRE did not. CBRE quoted an estimated 8% commission rate for the project which totals approximately \$240,000. GNCG provided a contract for a not to exceed price of \$47,500 billed for time and effort.

Based on the fee for the sale of the Baker and Schalm properties and the direct experience in selling school property, administration is recommending contracting with GNCG for an NTE fee of \$47,500.

This will be an action item at the May 15, 2023 regular meeting.

Be SMART Secure Gun Storage Program

The Be SMART campaign was launched to raise awareness that secure gun storage—storing guns locked, unloaded and separate from ammunition—can save children's lives. Be SMART emphasizes that it's an adult responsibility to keep kids from accessing guns, and that every adult can play a role in keeping kids and communities safer. There are a number of schools in our county/state and in the country who have already adopted this program.

This will be a topic at a future board workshop.

2023-2024 International Academy Budget

Mr. Taratuta presented the International Academy Budget.

This will be an action item at the May 15, 2023 regular meeting.

2023-2024 Oakland Schools Budget

Mr. Taratuta gave a brief overview of the ISD budget.

This will be an action item at the May 15, 2023 regular meeting.

CLOSED SESSION

Adjourn to a Closed Session

RESOLVED, that the Clawson Board of Education adjourns to a closed session for the purpose of negotiations.

MOVED BY:	Ms. Hanser Maynard
SUPPORTED BY:	Mr. Verner

ROLL CALL:

Mr. Verner	Yes
Mrs. Carlesimo	Yes
Mr. Ewald	Yes
Mrs. Hamilton	Yes
Ms. Hanser Maynard	Yes
Mr. Frink	Yes

MOTION CARRIED: Unanimously

The meeting convened to closed session at 9:03 p.m.

Reconvene the Open Meeting

RESOLVED, that the Clawson Board of Education reconvenes the open meeting.

MOVED BY: Mrs. Carlesimo
SUPPORTED BY: Mr. Frink

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Carlesimo	Yes
Mr. Ewald	Yes
Mrs. Hamilton	Yes
Ms. Hanser Maynard	Yes
Mr. Verner	Yes
Mr. Frink	Yes

MOTION CARRIED: Unanimously

The meeting reconvened at 9:19 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 9:19 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela Hamilton, Acting Secretary
Clawson Board of Education

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