School Board President Terry Leadbetter called the work session meeting of the Clarion-Limestone Area School District Board of School Directors to order at 6:30 PM in the Clarion-Limestone Area High School cafeteria.

Members Present: Mike Ferguson, Brian Hartle, Terry Leadbetter, Jamie Mahle, Dave Schirmer, Lee Stewart, and Ray Theiss

Members Absent: Molly Greenawalt and Mike Meals

Administration Present: Mike Stimac, Acting Superintendent
Brenda Reitz, Business Manager
Kristie Taylor, Elementary Principal
Doug Rodgers, High School Principal
Justin Merwin, Management Information Systems Director
Rick Sherman, Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds
Donna Smith, Board Secretary

Student Council Representatives Present: None

Faculty Present: Andrea Deible, Shelly McCall, and Tracey Johnston

News Representative Present: None

Others Present: None

MEETING ADJOURNED TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

The meeting was adjourned to executive session at 6:31 PM.

WORK SESSION

School Board President Terry Leadbetter called the work session of the Clarion-Limestone Area School District Board of School Directors to order at 6:50 PM in the Clarion-Limestone Area High School cafeteria.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD -NONE

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. RIVERVIEW INTERMEDIATE UNIT - No report
B. CLARION COUNTY CAREER CENTER
   Dave Schirmer reported that discussion was held regarding contracting out for snow plowing and not purchasing new equipment. Discussion was also held whether or not to fill a vacant maintenance position. The JOC board asked for a cost study to be done.
C. LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVE – No report
D. C-LAEA REPRESENTATIVE - No report

COMMUNICATIONS

A. STUDENT COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE’S REPORT - No report
B. HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL’S REPORT
   Doug Rodgers reported that the boys’ basketball KSAC championship against Union would be on Friday, February 12 at Clarion University. He announced that graduation would be held on May 27 in Marwick Boyd Auditorium at Clarion University.
C. ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL’S REPORT
Kristie Taylor reported that Student Council is sponsoring homeroom “Penny Wars” February 15-26 to benefit the Shriners Foundation. Mrs. Johnston will be doing the “Fuel Up to Play 60,” and the quarter two Positive Behavior reward day will be Thursday, February 11.

D. SUPERVISOR OF BUILDINGS AND GROUND’S REPORT
Rick Sherman reported that he was able to lock in natural gas pricing at a lower price saving the district approximately $12,000.

E. MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS DIRECTOR REPORT
Justin Merwin reported that he is currently seeking quotes and leasing options for new wireless and networking equipment.

F. BUSINESS MANAGER’S REPORT
Brenda Reitz reported that 2016-17 budget meetings are being held and the budget is being reviewed line item by line item. Terry Leadbetter asked, “Without a state budget, how long will it be before we need to borrow money?” Brenda stated that, “we will need to have board approval at the March meeting to start the process.”

G. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT
Mike Stimac reported that he won a $400 Professional Development sweepstakes and the money will be used for developing literacy strategies. He also thanked Rick Sherman and Brenda Reitz for working to lock in the lower natural gas pricing. He is also trying to develop more community relationships through Clarion University and the Clarion Center for the Arts. He also spoke about Capital Improvement Projects that will need completed. They include replacing the elementary school telephone system, carpeting in the elementary school, a new school sign on Route 322, repointing and sealing of the buildings, ventilation system in the elementary cafeteria, and the gymnasium renovation.

AGENDA REVIEWED
School Board President Terry Leadbetter asked the board to review each agenda item and called for discussion if necessary.

Dave Schirmer asked that the wording be changed on the approval of the contracted service agreements. Mike Ferguson asked for clarification as to why volunteers are approved either as a school volunteer or as a volunteer for a specific sport or event.

ADJOURNMENT
The meeting was adjourned at 7:18 PM on a motion made by Jamie Mahle, seconded by Ray Theiss, and affirmed by all.

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Donna M. Smith, Secretary
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS