



# Clover Garden School, Inc. Board of Directors Meeting

May 13, 2025, In Person / YouTube Live

## Members Present

Cathy June  
Amy Murrell  
Randi Russell  
Zach Young  
Lynn Foster  
Ashley Lane  
Brandon Russell  
Megan Gould  
Chad Huffines  
Ex Officio

## Other Attendees

Heather Vereyken  
Brandi Simmons  
Karen Morris  
Leah Spencer  
Michael Kane  
Michelle Whitfield  
Elizabeth Gladden

Elizabeth Nall  
Traci Leach  
Ashley Ellis  
Leslie Long  
Leslie Savage  
Jessica Taylor  
Christine Johnson  
Josie Lyn Dockery

### 1. Call to Order

- A. Cathy June called the meeting to order at 6:32 pm.
- B. Role of the Board: We are entrusted to care for the current school, and stay focused on the vision for the future school. NO TRUST, NO UNITY, NO PROGRESS!
- C. Mission: Clover Garden School will foster community, generate enthusiasm challenge students academically and produce successful citizens.
- D. *Ashley Lane moved to approve the May 13, 2025 agenda.  
Megan Gould seconded. 7-0-1, Chair abstained.*
- E. *Lynn Foster moved to accept April 08, 2025 minutes as submitted.  
Amy Murrell seconded. 7-0-1, Chair abstained.*

### 2. Public Comment none

### 3. Special Guest none

### 4. Finances

- A. *Ashley Lane moved to accept the April 2025 condensed budget. Attached Zach Young seconded. 7-0-1 Chair abstained.*
- B. The Consolidated Grant (for IDEA and Title 1) is ready to be submitted.  
*Ashley Lane moved to authorize Ms. Vereyken's submission of the Consolidated Grant on behalf of the school board.  
Amy Murrell seconded. 7-0-1, Chair abstained.*

### 5. Academics

- A. Please see attached Principals' Report, online calendars and updates.
  - 1. High school science teachers Ms. Nall and Ms. Leach delighted the Board with photos and news about the various science classes, labs, field trips.
  - 2. Third Grade teachers Ms. Savage, Ms. Ellis and Ms. Long shared ways they motivate students through online resources, rewards, movement and more. Student re-grouping by levels to target needs has been very successful.
  - 3. Ms. Spencer thanked Ms. Jones for spearheading activities for Teacher Appreciation Week, and recognized Ms. Orr for the Donors Choose Grant for her "Foster the Love of Reading" Project.  
*Photos: <https://photos.app.goo.gl/VmbAAYXY1kjmMSv98>*
  - 5. Ms. Whitfield provided testing updates, projected proficiencies and goals for next year.
  - 6. The CGS 2024-25 sports season is concluded, with many accomplishments! Coach Paschal thanked the Board and Admin for allowing her to lead the Athletics program, and looks forward to growing CGS Athletics.
  - 7. Ms. Gladden provided a professional development overview.
  - 8. Dr. Morris stated that the CCP guidelines are being reviewed and revised.
  - 9. Mr. Kane reported on the success of attendance challenges, and the automotive on-campus life skills field trip. Ms. Bellamy coordinated a firefighter, a paramedic and Mr. Whittington to teach maintenance and accident safety strategies.

### 6. Old Business

Installation is being scheduled for upgrades/additions afforded CGS through a recent safety improvement grant.

## 7. Governance

- A. Finance Committee gathers May 14 for its annual budget meeting.
- B. Academic Committee met today. Ms. Whitfield presented testing results.

## 8. New Business

Middle School teachers Ms. Taylor, Ms. Johnson and Ms. Dockery proposed an updated grading scale. Attached

*Amy Murrell moved to approve Middle School grading scale effective as of 2025-2026 school year.*

*Lynn Foster seconded. 7-0-1 Chair abstained.*

## 9. Closed Session

- A. *Amy Murrell moved to go into closed session at 7:56pm according to General Statute 143-318.11(a)(1)(5)&(6).*

*Brandon Russell seconded, 7-0-1 Chair abstained.*

- B. The Board came out of closed session at 9:20pm.

*Ashley Lane made a motion to approve the following employment agreements:*

<i>Sarah Nicola</i>	<i>Leslie Long</i>	<i>William Pegram</i>	<i>Leslie Savage</i>
<i>Justin Harper</i>	<i>Mikayla Milner</i>	<i>Justin Somers</i>	<i>Scott Rochford</i>
<i>Jessica Taylor</i>	<i>Tamra Kueider</i>	<i>Shelley Miner</i>	<i>Josie Lynn Dockery</i>
<i>Amanda Ingle</i>	<i>Arlene Lassiter</i>	<i>Mike Ward</i>	<i>Torie Paylor</i>
<i>Alyssa Bellamy</i>	<i>Caitlin Ross</i>	<i>Maggie Walters</i>	<i>Savannah McFetters</i>
<i>Rose Redd</i>	<i>Tamara Carter</i>	<i>Shauna Maness</i>	<i>Leah Seabrook-Spencer</i>
<i>Karen Morris</i>	<i>Whitney Caudle</i>	<i>Michael Kane</i>	<i>Elizabeth Gladden</i>
<i>Rebecca Wilson</i>	<i>Maghen Bryant</i>	<i>April Kelly</i>	<i>Taylor Whittington</i>
<i>Angela Corbet</i>	<i>Dana Walker</i>	<i>Brandi Simmons</i>	<i>Margaret Simpson</i>
<i>Patricia Thayer</i>	<i>Heather Vereyken</i>		

*Megan Gould seconded. 7-0-1, Chair abstained.*

- C. *Randi Russell proposed a regular board meeting for June 23, 2025.*

*Zach Young seconded. 7-0-1, Chair abstained.*

## 10. Adjourn

- A. Annual Board training will be off campus on June 7, 2025.

The next CGS Board of Directors meeting shall be June 23, 2025

- B. *Meghan Gould moved to adjourn at 9: 21 PM.*

*Brandon Russell seconded. 7-0-1, Chair abstained, meeting adjourned.*

## Attachments:

April 2025 Condensed Budget – Brandi Simmons

K-12 Principals Reports – Spencer/Whitfield/Morris/Kane/Gladden

Proficiency for 2024-2025 – Ms. Whitfield

Board Meeting Presentation – Third Grade teachers

Middle School Math/Science Grading Scale Adjustment Proposal -- MS Teachers