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SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES July 20, 2020 Special Meeting

Pursuant to the regulations, a special Board meeting was held virtually on the above date in the Waupaca High School LMC Distance Learning Lab, via Google Meet, Live Stream, and by phone.

The purpose of the Board Meeting Minutes are to capture the essence of discussions through the actions voted on. These minutes should not be interpreted to represent a transcription of the meeting. To watch a recording of this meeting, please click [here](#).

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by President Stephen Johnson at 2:32 p.m.

Roll Call:

Present in the WHS Distance Learning Lab: Stephen Johnson and Dale Feldt. Virtually present via Google Meet: Sandra Robinson, Mark Polebitski, Betty Manion, Patrick Phair, and Steve Hackett.

Also Present:

Present in the WHS Distance Learning Lab: Ron Saari, Sandy Lucas, Mark Flaten, and Dar Pflugardt. Virtually present via Google Meet: Carl Hayek, Laurie Schmidt, Steve Thomaschefskey, Jody Pankratz, John Erspamer, Michael Werbowsky, Jenifer Erb, Laura Colbert, John Meyer, Carrie Naparalla, Matt Vassar, Joe Sbertoli, Jamie Trzebiatowski, and Hannah Rowe.

Approval of Agenda:

A motion was made by Steve Hackett and seconded by Patrick Phair to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Review of WLC Parent Communication Letter:

Mr. Saari reviewed a weekly meeting schedule of several different committees/teams which consist of administration, stakeholders in the community, and some Board members all related to learning in 2020-2021.

The Board reviewed a letter that was sent to staff at the Waupaca Learning Center regarding protocols and guidelines that will be followed by staff and students upon reopening of schools on September 1. A similar letter was sent to the Waupaca High School and Middle School staff as well. The Board suggested some tweaks be made to the letters before being sent to parents of all students in the District, highlighting that this is a very fluid situation so things may change. But, in particular, the Board wants to err on the side of caution and directed that the letters be revised to “mandate” (rather than “highly encourage”) that all staff and students wear masks so we can open our schools and keep them open, realizing that some children may not be able to do so due to medical orders or directives.

Mr. Flaten advised that the District is discussing the possibility of offering a virtual option on a quarterly or semester basis.

It was also mentioned that the District’s ventilation system meets or exceeds the COVID-19 air exchange return recommendations.

A motion was made by Dale Feldt and seconded by Sandra Robinson to require all students, teachers, aides, and all other employees of the District wear masks when it is appropriate to do so (such as in classrooms, group settings, etc.). The motion carried on a 6-0-1 roll call vote with Mark Polebitski not voting due to a technical issue.

Adjournment:

A motion was made by Patrick Phair and seconded by Steve Hackett to adjourn the meeting at 3:47 p.m. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

_____ Date _____
Stephen Johnson, President
Board of Education

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Elizabeth Manion, Clerk
Board of Education