

Minutes of Special Meeting

The Board of Education Mahtomedi Public Schools

A **Special Meeting** of the Board of Education of Mahtomedi Public Schools was held **Tuesday, December 22, 2020**, beginning at 6:00 PM. Due to the declared health pandemic and declared state of emergency, this school board meeting was held by conference call or interactive technology in accordance with Minnesota State Statute 13D.021. This meeting was live streamed and recorded.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 6:02 p.m. by Chair Lucy Payne.

2. ROLL CALL OF ATTENDANCE

Present: Kevin Donovan; Julie McGraw; Lucy Payne; Judy Schwartz; Stacey Stout; Tony Vosooney; and Superintendent Barbara Duffrin, ex-officio.

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Donovan moved, Stout seconded, approval of agenda. Roll Call Vote: Donovan-Aye, McGraw-Aye, Payne-Aye, Schwartz-Aye, Stout-Aye, Vosooney-Aye. Carried 6-0.

4. ACTION ITEMS

A. Approval of the Learning Model Change from Distance Learning to Hybrid Learning for Grades K- 5 at Wildwood Elementary School and O.H. Anderson Elementary School

Superintendent Barbara Duffrin updated school board members on the COVID-19 case numbers released weekly by the MN Department of Health (MDE). The 14-day case rate per 10,000 residents in Washington County for November 15-28 was 132.48 and for November 22-December 15 it was 117.88, a downward trend. The updated district dashboard shows 13 student and staff positive cases in the last two weeks and eight staff members quarantined due to close contact or a positive test. Duffrin reviewed the learning model change process and reported on the new guidance from the State. Based on evolving knowledge/understanding of COVID-19 transmission in elementary schools the Safe Learning Plan has been updated to prioritize in person learning for Grades K-5. Duffrin recommended returning to a Hybrid Learning Model on January 19 and implementing 100% in- person learning on February 16 for elementary students. Planning days for the elementary staff will be on January 15 and February 10 & 11. The new Safe Learning Model Plan did not change guidance for secondary students/schools. The district will continue to communicate any new information about the learning model changes and will provide an update at the January 7 School Board

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Meeting. McGraw moved, Donovan seconded, approval of a learning model change from distance learning to hybrid learning on January 19 and from hybrid learning to in-person learning on February 16 for Grades K-5 at Wildwood Elementary School and O.H. Anderson Elementary School. Roll Call Vote: Donovan-Aye, McGraw-Aye, Payne-Aye, Schwartz-Aye, Stout-Aye, Vosooney-Aye. Carried 6-0.

5. ADJOURNMENT

Vosooney moved, Stout seconded, adjournment. Roll Call Vote: Donovan-Aye, McGraw-Aye, Payne-Aye, Schwartz-Aye, Stout-Aye, Vosooney-Aye. Carried 6-0. Meeting adjourned at 6:39 p.m.

JULIE MCGRAW, CLERK