

**LAKWOOD LOCAL BOARD OF EDUCATION
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**

Minutes of the Lakewood Local Board of Education

Special Meeting

**Held at the Lakewood Local High School (Board)
Facebook Live (Public Viewing)**

July 28, 2020

The Lakewood Local School District Board of Education met for a Special Meeting on July 28, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. at the Lakewood Local High School.

The following members answered to roll:

Mr. Nathan Corum

Ms. Tara Houdeshell

Mr. Jon Lynch

Ms. Brittany Misner

Mr. William Pollard – arrived at 6:38 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (Agenda Items)

Ms. Patti Pickering read the following social media comments:

Cory Blankenship asked if there had been discussion on leaving the students in the classroom and moving teachers.

Nancy Anderson expressed her concerns and is opposed to her child wearing a mask due to health reasons.

SUPERINTENDENT'S PRESENTATION ON SCHOOL REOPENING 2020-2021

Incoming Superintendent, Dr. Mark Gleichauf, made a presentation sharing the ideas and work being performed to come up with the 2020-2021 School Reopening Plan.

Ms. Misner thanked Dr. Gleichauf for his work. She asked how we are addressing the Technology for the District. She also asked how we will handle attendance during remote school days for students who could not check in at a specific time.

Ms. Houdeshell thanked Dr. Gleichauf and the Administrative Team. The efforts are impressive and she appreciates the care and thought that has been given. With safety being important and with no mandates for facial coverings in grades K-2, she is concerned about staff safety. She also commented that we have made huge strides in purchasing new reading materials and Lucy Calkins instruction and how do we keep this going. At the High School and Middle School buildings is there an option available to keep students in one place and move the teachers.

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Mr. Lynch asked if we had considered putting a shield behind the bus driver instead of leaving the first row of seats empty. He struggles with the science behind the recommendations for 6 feet vs 3 feet vs 18 inches. He is a fan of the on-line model, but he also supports having options.

Mr. Pollard asked if for the older staff members they will have a choice whether they can do virtual instruction or in-person instruction.

Mr. Corum asked about the Hybrid Model and what the instructional days would be for a short week. He supports the Virtual Academy and giving families the option to choose.

Ms. Patti Pickering summarized like kind questions that were appearing on social media and presented them to the Board and Dr. Gleichauf.

APPROVE REVISED CALNDAR FOR 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR

RES. NO. 010-21

Dr. Gleichauf discussed the primary changes to the calendar. The teacher's first day back would be August 21, 2020 and the student's first day back would be August 31, 2020. Most of the staff work calendars start date would be pushed back one (1) week. There would be 171 student instructional days instead of 174 instructional days.

Moved by Ms. Houdeshell, seconded by Ms. Misner that the Lakewood Local School District Board of Education approves the Revised Calendar for 2020-2021 School Year as presented.

Yeas: Mr. Lynch, Ms. Misner, Mr. Pollard, Mr. Corum, Ms. Houdeshell

Nays: None. Motion approved.

FIRST READ OF BOARD POLICY

RES. NO. 011-21

A. New Policy 8450.01 – Protective Facial Coverings During Pandemic/Epidemic Event

Mr. Pollard provided an overview of the Protective Facial Coverings Policy. The Policy committee met on July 27, 2020 to discuss this policy.

Ms. Houdeshell commented that Grades K-2 will not have a mandate to wear facial coverings, however if they are using district transportation, they would be required to wear a facial covering during that time. She also wanted to follow up on what would be considered a medical exemption for a student not to have to wear a facial covering.

Mr. Corum asked that we have a written process (guideline) so that there is consistency in the process if a student requests an exemption due to health conditions.

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Moved by Mr. Lynch, seconded by Mr. Corum that the Lakewood Local School District Board of Education approve the First Reading of the New Policy as presented.

Yeas: Ms. Misner, Mr. Pollard, Mr. Corum, Ms. Houdeshell, Mr. Lynch

Nays: None. Motion approved.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Ms. Patti Pickering presented a few more questions from the Facebook Live feed.

BOARD COMMENTS

Mr. Lynch commented that we want to deliver an instructional program we are proud of.

Mr. Pollard commented that things can change quickly in these times.

Ms. Misner recognizes that everyone has a different opinion, however, there is one common ground and that is we want to keep our students and staff safe.

Ms. Houdeshell commented that the complexity of this is tremendous. The decisions have to be made with attention and care for all, regardless of personal preferences.

FUTURE MEETING

Regular Board Meeting:

Date: August 12, 2020

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Place: Lakewood High School Library (Board)
Facebook Live (Public Viewing)

APPROVE ADJOURNMENT

RES. NO. 012-21

Moved by Ms. Houdeshell, seconded by Ms. Misner that the Lakewood Local School District Board of Education approves adjournment at 8:40 p.m.

Yeas: Mr. Pollard, Mr. Corum, Ms. Houdeshell, Mr. Lynch, Ms. Misner

Nays: None. Motion approved.

Board President

Treasurer/CFO