

North Boone Community Unit School District No. 200
Minutes of the Special Meeting of the
Board of Education
District Office
6248 North Boone School Road, Poplar Grove, Illinois 61065
Tuesday, July 7, 2020
6:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The Special Meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by President Joe Haverly.

Present: President Joe Haverly, Brian Haselhorst, Tom Kinser, Lisa Leden, Secretary Mary Maxey, Ed Mulholland and Carl Rudy.

OATH OF OFFICE

Mr. Haverly administered the Oath of Office to the newly elected Board member Lisa Leden.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Mrs. Maxey and seconded by Mr. Mulholland to approve the Agenda as presented.

The motion was carried by unanimous roll call.

AUDIENCE TO VISITORS

Mr. & Mrs. Jurs addressed the Board regarding their concerns with the re-opening of schools. They inquired about parent choice for e-learning, sanitization, tracing for athletes, how classroom and athletic guidelines align, busing, etc.

Mr. Lammersfeld voiced his concerns about the music department plan and the logistics of teaching outside, along with the sanitation duties and responsibilities of the teachers.

Ms. Ellsworth spoke to the Board about the return to school, sports and the concern of teaching LGBTQ in the classroom. She questioned why schools were taking such drastic measures with the percentage of children with Covid are low. She felt masks and e-learning should be optional. Ms. Ellsworth asked why North Boone isn't yet allowing athletic return to play when that is not the case with surrounding districts.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Re-Opening Plans and Discussion

Dr. Greenlee presented the e-learning plan that follows ISBE guidelines. The state will be providing masks for students and staff. The District is encouraging parents to self-certify by taking temperatures of their children at home prior to sending them to school. The school calendar proposal is to move back the first day of students in buildings to September 8, 2020,

which was endorsed by the Health Department. Dr. Greenlee recommended any emergency days become remote learning days. He stated the NBEA and NBESS have not agreed to any models yet as they are waiting for guidance from the IEA since there could be a change in working conditions. Dr. Greenlee noted we had received 500 survey responses to date, with only a handful of parents stating they were going to keep their kids home. Surveys in other districts are showing about 20% of the student population not returning to in-person learning. There could be a blended option, with re-entry times, but we also need to have union input. Mr. Kinser felt the Board should be driving the decision on the blended learning plan.

Dr. Greenlee said per IHSA guidelines, our students could start July 13th. Mr Hubert thought IHSA would be making a decision on July 17th on if there would be a fall season.

Mr. Kinser requested a list of extra costs above the budget for cleaning, etc. He also would like a formal punch list with deliverable dates, as the plans presented are not as detailed as he'd like. He is requesting more information on finances, nursing updates and a firmed up blended program.

Dr. Greenlee said they were looking at two options for the graduation of approximately 120 students. The first option being a timed entrance for an indoor program, and the other an external program.

A motion was made by Mr. Mulholland and seconded by Mr. Haselhorst to approve the 2020-2021 School Calendar as presented.

The motion was carried by unanimous roll call.

The Board supported starting athletic programs as presented effective July 13, 2020.

The Board was in favor of a graduation plan.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made at 9:00 p.m. by Mrs. Maxey and seconded by Mr. Mulholland to recess to Executive Session to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees; the purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body including meetings held for the purpose of discussing whether a particular parcel should be acquired or other matters provided for pursuant to §2(c) of the Open Meetings Act.

The motion was carried by unanimous roll call.

OPEN SESSION

A motion was made by Mr. Mulholland and seconded by Mr. Haselhorst to recess to Open Session at 9:25 pm. The motion was carried by unanimous voice vote.

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

(none)

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Mulholland and seconded by Mrs. Maxey to adjourn at 9:46 p.m.
The motion was carried by unanimous voice vote.

PRESIDENT _____ *Joe Haverly / S /* _____

SECRETARY _____ *Mary Maxey / S /* _____

APPROVED: 8/18/20