MINUTES OF SPECIAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING WINNECONNE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Winneconne Middle School Large Group Lecture Area 400 9th Avenue, Winneconne WI 54986 October 21, 2021 – 6:30pm

AGENDA

- 1. Meeting called to order by Board president
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Board Members Roll Call
- 4. Administrative Team and Visitor Recognition

CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Board President, Donna Hanson called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Meeting notices were sent to members of the press, members of the school board and were posted on the front and/or in the vestibules of the district buildings. This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting School District's business and is not to be considered a public hearing. There may be a time for public comment during the meeting as indicated in the agenda. The meeting will also be available to watch live at https://www.youtube.com/winneconne

Board Member Roll Call

Present: Jaci Stelzner, Jill Verich Becky La Due, Bob Ronk, Mark Kunde, Donna Hanson Corey Zeller

Administrative Team and Visitor Recognition and Open Forum

District Administrator, Peggy Larson, Elementary Principal, Lisa Hughes, High School Principal, Leah Michaud, Director of Learning, Don Smith, Director of Technology, Dave Jerabek, People Services Director, Lauren Dodd, MS Assistant Principal Mike Meunier, Facilities Manager, Steve Cady

VISITORS: See Visitor List on File

OPEN FORUM – Discussion will take place at the time of/or after agenda Item

OPEN SESSION

5. Community/Staff/ HS Student COVID 19 Survey Data

Review of the WCSD COVID-19 Community Protocol Survey. Community, Staff, and HS Student data was discussed. The survey was sent to all parents of the district, HS students and community residents.

6. Discussion Recommendation Model of Learning/Plan for Learning 2021-22 School Year

Recommendation to the Board of Education regarding Masking:

If one or more WCSD buildings has 3% of their student population testing COVID positive, a 14-calendar day masking requirement will be out in place immediately. If after 14 calendar days, the percent positive is below 3%, then masking will become optional.

Number of Students per building and what 3% equals:

ES- 875 total students- 3% is 26 positive students

MS- 406 total students-3% is 12 positive students

HS- 510 total students-3% is 15 positive students

Cases at each Building as of October 19, 2021

ES-2

MS-1

HS-6

On Monday October 25, if numbers stay relatively the same, masking is optional provided this is approved by the Board of Education.

7. Open Forum

There were many concerned citizens from all levels of learning, and grade levels that voiced opinions on testing, masking, quarantine, to how important it is to maintain a level of learning for all abilities, mental health awareness, social skills. This concern is important for the future of our children's education and learning. Comments abouts the survey varied from how data was collected, to where do we get our medical advice, data is weak supporting masking. Open discussion on the idea of looking towards Natural Immunity within the Models of Learning. Currently Natural Immunity is built into our model of learning. Ideas from a few parents in the crowd asked to be supported by ways of communication, contact, information sent to parents when any communicable disease happens in any of the school buildings. The last question that was directed towards the administration team, as well the Board of Education is, how we will have things in place at the end of the COVID pandemic and plan for a exit strategy.

8. Board decision /vote on the updated plan of Learning- more specifically the recommendation regarding masking.

Motion made by La Due, second by Ronk to approve the recommendation requested: If one or more WCSD buildings has 3% of their student population testing COVID positive, a 14-calendar day masking requirement will be put in place immediately. If after 14 calendar days, the percent positive is below 3%, then masking would become optional. WCSD buildings below this 3% would be mask optional on October 25,2021.

Roll Call: Stelzner-Aye, La Due-Aye, Verich-Aye, Zeller-Aye, Ronk-Aye, Kunde-Aye Hanson-Aye

Motion approved: 7-0

Executive Session

Motion by Zeller, second by Verich to move into Executive session under 19.85 to approve Executive session minutes from October 4, 2021, and pursuant to Wis. Stat. 19.85 (1)(c) and (g) for the purpose of discussing personnel matters related to the employment of an individual over which the School Board has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility more specifically providing an update on the interim assistant high school principal. The Board will move into open session and may take action in items discussed in closed session.

Roll Call: La Due-Aye, Verich-Aye, Zeller-Aye, Ronk-Aye, Kunde-Aye, Stelzner-Aye Hanson-Aye

Motion approved-7-0

Open Session

The Board of Education moved back into open session at 8:00pm

Motion by Ronk, second by La Due to adjourn meeting of the WCSD Board of Education.

Motion approved- All Ayes

Mark D. Kunde WCSD- Board Clerk 8:05 pm