

Board Special Meeting
Work Session: Fall 2020
June 30, 2020, 9:00 – 11:00 a.m.
Meeting held remotely



Minutes

Call to Order

Director DeWolf called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Directors Hersey, Mack, Rivera-Smith, and DeWolf participated with Microsoft Teams or by phone. Director Hampson joined at 9:02 a.m., and Director Rankin joined at 9:10 a.m.

Work Session: Fall 2020

This work session was staffed by Superintendent Denise Juneau; Dr. Keisha Scarlett, Chief of Equity, Partnerships and Engagement; Sherri Kokx, Senior Advisor to the Superintendent; Wyeth Jessee, Chief of Schools and Continuous Improvement; JoLynn Berge, Chief Financial Officer; and Fred Podesta, Chief Operations Officer.

Ms. Kokx and Superintendent Juneau presented on the development of a recommended model for the 2020-21 school year and accompanying engagement process. The results of family surveys were discussed by staff and Directors, including next steps to continue to engage with families to better understand the data.

Mr. Jessee presented on health and safety assumptions and constraints. Guiding principles for reopening for the fall of 2020 and protocols for responding to suspected COVID-19 cases were discussed. Directors and staff discussed ensuring consistency and accountability across schools, nursing staffing, continued engagement with families of African American male students, working with community-organizations, providing a fully remote option, conducting daily screenings, classroom space, preschool, and working to better understand data related to families' preferences.

Staff and Directors moved into discussion of the in-person/virtual learning model for fall 2020. Mr. Jessee presented on instructional models and sample school days. Ms. Berge presented on capacity and staff assumptions and constraints and anticipated budgetary impacts. Directors were asked to share any major concerns with the plan outlined. Directors and staff discussed providing a safe learning environment for Black students and other students of color, continued community engagement, the model for online instruction, providing flexibility for families, preschool, class size, meal provision, and supports for students.

Directors provided final comments and staff addressed questions. Directors and staff discussed continuing to engage with families, community partners, and Board directors; school assignment processes; preschool; and health services.

Adjourn

This meeting adjourned at 11:06 a.m.

This meeting was held remotely per the Governor's [Proclamation 20-28.5](#), prohibiting public agencies from conducting meetings subject to the Open Public Meetings Act in-person to curtail the spread of COVID-19, and consistent with [School Board Resolution 2019/20-29](#). Public access was provided remotely through Microsoft Teams and teleconference.

Minutes submitted by:

School Board Office staff