

Board Special Meeting
Work Session: 2020-21 Reopening Update
Oct. 6, 2020, 3:30-5 p.m.
Meeting held remotely



Minutes

Call to Order

Director Chandra Hampson called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. Directors Eden Mack, Liza Rankin, and Lisa Rivera-Smith participated with Microsoft Teams or by phone. Directors Zachary DeWolf and Brandon Hersey joined the meeting at 3:45 p.m.

Work Session: 2020-21 Reopening Update

This work session was staffed by Superintendent Denise Juneau and Chief Operations Officer Fred Podesta, Chief of Schools and Continuous Improvement Wyeth Jesse, Transportation Manager Hunter Maltais and Manager Student Health Services Carrie Nicholson.

- Transportation and Load/Unload Plan

Mr. Podesta presented an overview of the Transportation plan. He clarified that reopening doesn't refer to in-person instruction. Then he shared Transportation protocols and health guidelines followed for safely transporting students.

Directors and staff discussed whom we are transporting, the number of students we are transporting, what vehicles are being used, how we will maintain a labor force, what districts we looked to for guidance, and anticipated troubles.

- Daily Health Screening Plan

Mr. Jessee shared how the district is working to minimize exposure to COVID-19 by utilizing local and state guidelines for screening, mask wearing, social distancing, and cleaning. Mr. Jessee spoke about the attestation process in place and the role of a COVID site supervisor and the COVID Central Command Center.

Directors and staff discussed how the success of the screening plan is gauged, how a confirmed case would be handled, why the plan doesn't include taking temperatures at district buildings, who follows up on attestations, how COVID site supervisors are selected, and how we are managing partners that use district buildings.

Director Hersey asked for a continued conversation with the community, especially people of color that are most impacted by this virus. He would like additional education and feedback from the community on the district's plan. Director DeWolf echoed this request and said he wants to hear what the most vulnerable have to say about the district's plan.

- Cleaning Regimen

Mr. Podesta presented the district's current cleaning regimen and how it has evolved based on activity in buildings and local and state guidelines. He spoke about how the district reacts to COVID cases and reviewed the detailed cleaning checklist of common touchpoints. Directors and staff discussed cleaning in child care spaces, the estimated costs and possible labor issues associated with helping providers clean the spaces they use, supporting social distancing in bathrooms, how different resources in district buildings are tracked, who manages attestation for childcare, and the response when staff report symptoms and are possibly kept out of buildings and work.

Director Mack requested that a comprehensive list of what resources are in each district building be provided to the board. She also would like numbers on the budget impact created by the increased cleaning services be provided at a budget meeting or in a Friday Memo.

Director DeWolf requested a review of what was requested during the work session. Mr. Jessee said he heard Directors DeWolf and Hersey would like community engagement from his team. Mr. Podesta said he heard directors would like to know potential services provided to childcares, an understanding of how space is utilized in buildings, and for facilities to work with childcares on cleaning. Director DeWolf asked for these follow-ups in a Friday Memo.

Adjourn

This meeting adjourned at 5:01 p.m.

This meeting was held remotely per the Governor's proclamations prohibiting public agencies from conducting meetings subject to the Open Public Meetings Act in-person to curtail the spread of COVID-19. Public access was provided remotely online and by teleconference.

Minutes submitted by:

The Office of Chief Operations Officer Fred Podesta