

SEASIDE SCHOOL DISTRICT 10

Special Meeting of the Board of Directors - Minutes

Tuesday, March 8, 2022, 4:30 pm

Secondary School Library, 2600 Spruce Drive, Suite 200, Seaside and virtual via ZOOM

PRESENT:

Board Members: In-Person: Brian Taylor, Michelle Hawken, Shannon Swedenborg, Brian Owen, Mark Truax, Chris Corder, Sondra Gomez.

Administration: In-Person: Superintendent Susan Penrod, Assistant Superintendent Sarah Shields, Business Manager Toni Vandershule, Principals Jeff Roberts and Juli Wozniak. Assistant Principals, Jeremy Catt, Jason Boyd, Wendy Crozier and Brandon Larson.

Others: In Person: IT Specialist Greg Dotson and Executive Assistant Leslie Garvin. Erika Marshall, Kelly Smith, Dalton Smith, Chad Clouse, Jeremy Halsen, Casey Langmo, David Posalski, Hilary Stock, Sydney Halsen, Erin Jackson, Stacie Gilligan, Briean Jantes, Blaine Cobb, Todd Fenton, Nina Corder, Dana Jones, Peggy Taylor, Randi Brown, Morgan McKeown, Ellen White, Stephanie White, Dylan Riekkola, Steve Dillard, Siboney Dedano, Christopher Oestman, Linda Oestman.
Zoom: Abbas Atwi, Amanda Rush, Andy and Nicole, Andy Klumper, Ashlee Klumper, Ashley, Aylee Rhea, BB, Becky Boles, Betsy Mahoney, Boutin and Parker, Breighley Sexton, Brent, Brent Bowman, Bronner, Carly Baltazar, Carly Corder, Corey, Corey Tobias, Debbie Hillman, Desiree Graetz, Elizabeth Catt, Erin Leary, Erin Miller, Grace Bruncke, Greg S, Sherrill Kelso-McDowell, Jason Bangild, Jason Kraushaar, Jen Bergquist, Jennifer Haag, Jenny, Jessica, Jessica Lucia, Jull Quackenbush, Jon & Makenna, Joshua Duff, Karma Herd, Kate Kettlewell, Katherine Ethridge, Katie Saso, Kelsey Betts, Kenna Walker, Kim Jackson, Kimmy Libre, Kyle Truax, Lindsey, Lindsey Jackson, Lisa Sampson, Margaret, Melisa, Melissa Munoz, Michael Bates, Miles Ensign, Miles Rudduck, M McKeown, Mr. Lambert, Mr. Van, Mya Feeney, Nicole Aydt, Nisa Roberts, Oregon Web Solutions, Rich Nofield, RJ Marx, Robyn Kirby, Ryan Hull, Sarah Perrigo, Shiqi, Skyler Archibald, Stephanie, Susan, Suzanna Kruger, Suzy Wintjen, Tammy, Tausha, Tiffany Thompson, Tom Rogozinski, Toni, T Paino, X Chuck, Zachary Adamson.

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Brian Taylor called the Special Meeting of the Board to order and explained how to make a request for public comment. A quorum of the Board was present.

2. **CORRESPONDENCE**

There were sixteen items of correspondence to the Board that were entered into the record. All correspondence was in favor of masking being optional.

3. **MASKING PROTOCOLS FOR SCHOOL PRESENTATION**

Superintendent Susan Penrod began by noting that we are a district of inclusion. We have had a lot of transitions in the last two years, and everyone becomes ready for transitions in their own time. Penrod asked that peoples' choices are respected and that we treat each other with caring and respect.

Penrod shared a Masking Update Recommendation presentation (attached). At the conclusion of the

presentation Penrod made the recommendation that the district become mask optional beginning Monday, March 14, 2022.

4. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Nina Corder commented that she does not know any parents who want to keep masks and asked the Board to make masks optional.

Brian is in favor of masks being optional.

Dylan Riekkula commented that he feels there are so many negatives to masking. Dylan is in favor of masks being optional.

Sarah Cruz thanked the Board for their service and asked them to make masks optional.

Brent Bowman asked the Board to make masks optional.

Stephanie White introduced her daughter and student Ellen White. Ellen read a statement about how masks make her feel and asked the Board to make masks optional.

Kelsey Betts RN commented about how Covid cases are way down and asked the Board to make masks optional.

Randy Brown talked about the difficulty her special needs students have with masks and asked the Board to make masks optional.

Blane Cobb said he is a grandparent of a student and asked the Board to make masks optional.

Briean Jantes spoke about how kids have been negatively affected by faces being covered and asked the Board to make masks optional.

Steve Dillard said there is no longer an emergency, parents should be trusted to take care of their children, and he asked the Board to make masks optional.

A member of the audience asked if ESSER funds are tied keeping students masked. Superintendent Penrod responded that this is not the case.

Hillary from Gearhart said she has five children and they all hate masks and asked the Board to make masks optional.

Erika Hamer thanked the staff for their work and asked the Board to make masks optional.

Board Chair Brian Taylor thanked everyone for their input. He assured the audience that whenever the Board needs to make a decision, the first thing we ask ourselves is what is best for our kids.

Vice Chair Michelle Hawken expressed how nice it is to have people in the building supporting our kids and thanked everyone for sharing.

Board Member Chris Corder encouraged the community to continue to be a part of what happens in our schools and expressed how glad he is that people are here.

Michelle Hawken **MOVED, SECONDED** by Mark Truax to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to make masks optional in our schools beginning on Monday, March 14, 2022.

The MOTION CARRIED (7-0).

5. **ADJOURN SPECIAL SESSION**

6. **NEXT MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

- Tuesday, March 15, 2022 – Regular Session

Leslie Garvin
Executive Assistant