Board of Education Special Meeting
January 10, 2022 11:00 AM
Wallace Central Office Building

Attendance Taken at 11:00 AM:

Present Board Members:
Mrs. Rebecca Burgett
Mr. Hargis Davis
Mrs. Amanda Dunavent
Mrs. Sonya Giles
Mr. Chuck Toler

I. Welcome/Roll Call

II. Approval of Agenda

Order #2022-2143 - Motion Passed: Motion made to approve Agenda passed with a motion by Mr. Chuck Toler and a second by Mr. Hargis Davis.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays.

Mrs. Rebecca Burgett	Yes
Mr. Hargis Davis	Yes
Mrs. Amanda Dunavent	Yes
Mrs. Sonya Giles	Yes
Mr. Chuck Toler	Yes

III. Board Comments

Discussion:
Board Member, Rebecca Burgett advised the Board that she had made the observation, that anytime we hold a board meeting during the day, it causes issues with staff. The perception is we are doing something behind the scenes. Sometimes they may have input they would like to share.

Board Vice Chair, Amanda Dunavent wanted to give a "shout out" to our District Nurse, Kristie Beatty and her group for doing an outstanding job with the "Test to Stay" program.

Board Member, Sonya Giles - no comments

Member Hargis Davis in reply to Becky Burgett's comment, asked about SBDM (Site Based Council Meetings) being held during the day. Should they not have to follow the same guidelines, if we decide to not have special called board meetings during the day? He suggests they have their meetings no earlier than 6p, if that's the case.
Mr. Davis also asked fellow board members, at what point do we make a decision to wear masks or do we not wear masks.
Mr. Davis also advised that he received calls about sports continuing and not following procedures. How long do we continue as a board to go down the road we are on?
Do we need to shut down all week, to get numbers down and staff healthy again?

IV. Recommended Action - NEW BUSINESS
IV.a. Approve acceptance FY2022 KETS first offer of assistance (Education Technology Funding) in the amount of $12,575.00

Order #2022-2144 - Motion Passed: passed with a motion by Mr. Hargis Davis and a second by Mr. Chuck Toler.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays.

Mrs. Rebecca Burgett	Yes
Mr. Hargis Davis	Yes
Mrs. Amanda Dunavent	Yes
Mrs. Sonya Giles	Yes
Mr. Chuck Toler	Yes

IV.b. Review/Approve Revision of Mask Requirements with Continuance of Test to Stay and Following CDC Guidelines

Discussion:
Board Member, Rebecca Burgett asked what were CDC's recommendations? It was said five day quarantined and wearing masks.

There was discussion about students testing positive at school and then testing negative at the pediatrician's office.

Member Becky Burgett advised that she doesn't agree. How can we remove masks, when we aren't in school today because of Covid? We may not be making it better, but we aren't making it worse. She stated that she is not in favor of making changes to mask wearing.

Member Sonya Giles agrees with Hargis, to make mask wearing optional.

Board Vice Chair, Amanda Dunavent spoke to Walton Verona's Superintendent about being mask free in his school and he feels like it was a good thing. Kids could smile and see each other's faces, which made a happier atmosphere.

Discussion was held to possibly adding hours to the day,
Superintendent Larry Hammond told the Board that we are in the mindset that we should be out of school in June. With that, how productive is this time vs NTI days.

Order #2022-2145 - Motion Passed: Motion made to make mask wearing optional effective Feb. 1st and to go by the CDC Guidelines that were updated January 6th and to follow all policies and procedures moving forward passed with a motion by Mr. Hargis Davis and a second by Mr. Chuck Toler.

4 Yeas - 1 Nays.

Mrs. Rebecca Burgett	No
Mr. Hargis Davis	Yes
Mrs. Amanda Dunavent	Yes
Mrs. Sonya Giles	Yes
Mr. Chuck Toler	Yes

V. Adjourn

Order #2022-2146 - Motion Passed: Motion made to adjourn passed with a motion by Mr. Chuck Toler and a second by Mrs. Amanda Dunavent.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays.

Mrs. Rebecca Burgett	Yes
Mr. Hargis Davis	Yes
Mrs. Amanda Dunavent	Yes
Mrs. Sonya Giles	Yes
Mr. Chuck Toler	Yes

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Chairperson

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Superintendent