West Lyon Community Schools Meeting Minutes

Board of Directors Meeting-Special Session 09/30/2020 05:30 PM

High School Library

Voting Members Attending: Troy Bauder, Jennifer Jenson, Derek Knobloch, Scott Lee, Justin Metzger **Non-Voting Members:** Shawn Kreman, Doug Jiskoot, Tim Snyder, Janet Feikema

- I. Call to Order (5:30 pm): By roll call
- II. Approval of Agenda: Board Action is required.

Scott Lee started the meeting by highlighting the reason for this meeting with less than 24 hour notice to the public is due to the urgency of the Governor's press conference that was held on Tuesday, September 29th regarding quarantine changes for the state.

It is recommended to approve the agenda as presented with the addition of adding the following item: Recognition of visitors (Open Forum).

Motion made by: Mr. Justin Metzger Motion seconded by: Mr. Troy Bauder Voting: Unanimously Approved

III. Recognition of Visitors - Welcome (Open Forum)

The following spoke to the board regarding masking requirements: Courtnie Fleshman, Susan Kooi, Janelle Rentschler, Maria Vlastuin, and LaToya Ageson. Supt Kreman and Jenn Jenson read email responses from individuals that couldn't be present.

IV. Work Session-New Business

A. New Quarantine guidelines

1. Consideration and recommendation of face coverings:

Supt Kreman spoke of new guidelines regarding quarantine that Governor Reynolds announced on September 29th. A proposal for amendments of the Return to Learn Plan are in motion and were created based on all the compiled feedback from families, board and administration.

- 2. Grades to be considered: A motion was made to recommend a mask mandate for staff and students in grades 7-12. This was unanimously approved. Because of the limited amount of quarantine and positive cases, the elementary area will continue to be monitored daily.
- 3. Choices for those not to wear face coverings: A board policy would be followed to ensure consistency. Motion made by: Mr. Troy Bauder Motion seconded by: Mr. Justin Metzger Voting: Unanimously Approved
- B. County positivity update and upcoming events

Supt Kreman reviewed Lyon County's current positive COVID percentage at 31%. West Lyon currently has 5 positive cases. Administration spoke about the number of students that have been quarantined, some more than once, and how impactful this has been for them. They discussed that quarantines won't improve unless masks are required. It was also discussed that if socially distancing can be created, masks could come down during that period. Because hall passing time is only 3 minutes, this would become a mask break since they couldn't be exposed for a long enough period.

V. Adjournment: Board Action is required.

It was recommended to adjourn this special meeting at 7:57PM. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be on October 12th at 7:00PM.

<u>Motion made by:</u> Ms. Jennifer Jenson <u>Motion seconded by:</u> Mr. Justin Metzger <u>Voting:</u> Unanimously Approved