



MINUTES OF RESEARCH BASED EDUCATION CORPORATION PUBLIC HEARING AND MEETING *d/b/a Paulden Community School*

Thursday, August 13, 2020

Members Present: ✓ Curt Porter
✓ Jim Sexton (*telephonically*)
✓ Richard Hay (*telephonically*)

Members Absent:

1. Call to Order

The President will call the meeting to order.

Curt Porter called the meeting to order at 9:02 AM; all members were present.

2. Adoption of Agenda

The Board will now approve the formal agenda.

Jim Sexton moved to approve the agenda as presented; Richard Hay seconded the motion.

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✓ Richard Hay

3. Audience of Citizens

At this time, the President of the Board will ask members of the audience if they would like to speak regarding any issue before the Board. No formal action may be taken on any issue unless the item appears on the Agenda. Members of the public wishing to comment on an agenda item may do so at the time the item appears on the agenda. Items not on the agenda may be addressed during the "Audience of Citizens". The Board may respond to criticism, ask that staff review a matter, or place an item on future agenda.

None.

4. Executive Session

A.R.S. § 38-431.03 permits an executive session or closed meeting to be held for discussion and consideration of any of seven particular subjects. A majority of the members of the Governing Board must vote to convene an executive session during a public meeting held prior to the executive session. The general public is properly excluded from such a session. Only those individuals necessary to the conduct of such a meeting may be present. All matters discussed in an executive session must be kept confidential by those attending. No vote may be taken during an executive session. Any final action on an item discussed in an executive session must be taken during a public meeting. A.R.S. § 38-431.03.

The purposes for which an executive session discussion may be held are the following:

- A. *Personnel matters involving a specific individual.*
- B. *Confidential records.*
- C. *Student discipline matters.*
- D. *Legal advice provided by the public body's attorney.*
- E. *Discussion of pending or contemplated litigation with the public body's attorney.*
- F. *Instruction of designated representatives concerning negotiations with employee organizations.*

- G. *International and interstate negotiations and negotiations by a city or town with a tribal council.*
- H. *Instruction of designated representatives concerning negotiations for the purchase of real property.*

None

5. Discussion and Possible Approval of the SY 2020/21 Roadmap to Reopen School

- a. Overview of the school's Distance Learning Plan for SY 2020/21. **(No Action Required)**
- b. Overview of the school's On-Site Student Support Services Notification document. **(No Action Required)**
- c. Overview, discussion, and possible approval of the school adopting the benchmark recommendations released by the Arizona Department of Health Services and Yavapai County health officials to determine when "in-person" teacher-led classroom instruction can safely be made available. **(Board Action Required)**
- d. Overview, discussion, and possible approval of the school's health and mitigation plan contained within the Roadmap to Reopen document. **(Board Action Required)**
- e. Overview, discussion, and possible approval of the school's face covering (mask/shield) requirement for all students over the age of 5 and all staff until the Arizona Department of Health Services determines coverings are no longer required. **(Board Action Required)**

Richard Hay provided the board with an overview of the school's required Distance Learning Plan that was submitted to the ASBCS per the governor's recent executive order. The DLP addresses several required items related to distance learning and the plan is available public view of the school's website.

Richard Hay explained the school's On-Site Student Services Notification is also available on the school's website. Additionally, the notification was emailed to every family, posted on the school's Facebook page, and posted in each Google Classroom's stream.

Richard Hay provided an overview of the school's Roadmap to Reopen School. Hay explained the board is required to consider the ADHS benchmark recommendations and Yavapai County's health depart data before allowing in-person learning. Hay provided the board with the Yavapai County Dashboard via ADHS's COVID website and explained the county has met two of the three benchmarks. However, the benchmark not met has a two-week lag in data and the current data shows one of the two weeks with a positivity rate below 7% has been met. Additionally, the Yavapai County Health Services have been reporting a positivity rate well below the 7% threshold for the past week. Based on that data, Hay recommends moving from 100% virtual learning to the school's Hybrid model.

Curt Porter moved to approve the Roadmap to Reopen School plan; face mask/shield requirement; health and mitigation plan embedded within the Roadmap plan; and, adopt the ADHS's benchmark dashboard (with recommendations) along with Yavapai County positivity data when making a determination regarding the school's in-person learning status.

Jim Sexton seconded the motion.

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- ✓ Richard Hay

Hay explained the school's health and mitigation plan is embedded within the Roadmap to Reopen School plan. The Roadmap Plan is posted on the school's website for public view.

Hay informed the board it is required to adopt a face mask/shield policy. Face covering requirements are covered within the Roadmap to Reopening School plan.

Hay answered board member's questions regarding ADHS benchmark dashboard data, re-opening plans regarding instruction, and student/staff safety protocols.

6. Adjournment

Curt Porter moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:46 AM PM; Jim Sexton seconded the motion.

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- ✓ Curt Porter
- ✓ Jim Sexton
- ✓ Richard Hay

Submitted: August 14, 2020



Richard Hay, Governing Board Member