

The Special Meeting of the Board of Education, White Salmon Valley School District, Klickitat and Skamania Counties, White Salmon, WA. was called to order at 6:00 p.m. Monday, January 11, 2021 via a ZOOM public meeting per the Governor's proclamation 20-28 Open Public Meetings Act and Public Records Act. Present: Paul Mosbrucker, Alan Reitz, Laurie Stanton, William Gross, Andrea VanSickle, Superintendent Jerry Lewis, and guests.

Dr. Lewis shared the new in-person learning matrix set forth by the State of Washington. The district is seeking board approval of the updated in-person learning plan, that will move forward with bringing students into the building in a hybrid learning model when the area meets the moderate level metrics for fourteen days. Moderate level metrics are 50-350 active cases per 100,000, with a 5-10% positivity rate. Hybrid learning would be a three week roll in for students K-8 with CHS returning in a hybrid model when cases are at or below 200 per 100,000. Week one of the roll-in would include grades K-1 and 4. Week two would include grades 2-3 and 5-6. Week three would be adding grades 7-8 to in-person learning.

Jodi Goatcher and Dr. Lewis discussed the current case levels and positivity rate in the area, as well as the vaccination plan set by the state. Many school districts are working with ESD on a proposal to the Governor and Secretary of Health that all school employees be moved to the B2 phase of the vaccination schedule.

Building principals shared with the board about the small groups that are happening, and the plans for them moving forward. Current small group participation is 59 students at Whitson, 45 students at Wallace and Priscilla Stevenson Intermediate, 53 students at Henkle, and 40 students at Columbia.

The board further discussed the in-person hybrid learning plan.

Paul Mosbrucker opened the meeting to public comment. Comment was provided by: Geraldine Logan, Adam Pope, Todd Andrews, Desiree Billette, Kaylene Herman, Kelly Hume, Emily Aman, Lacey Collins, and Stefani B.

Action Items

Paul Mosbrucker called for a motion regarding the reopening of schools to in-person hybrid learning.

Laurie Stanton moved to approve the updated in-person hybrid learning plan with a three week roll in, beginning after the K-8 metrics set forth by the state have been met. Week one will start grades K-1 and 4, week two starting grades 2-3 and 5-6, week three starting grades 7-8. Grades 9-12 will begin once the metrics meet the state set metrics for high school aged students. Seconded by Alan Reitz. Carried.

At 7:27 p.m. Chairman Mosbrucker adjourned the meeting with a motion from Andrea VanSickle. Seconded by William Gross.

ATTEST:

Chairman

Secretary