

**BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
FARMINGTON CENTRAL COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #265
212 N LIGHTFOOT ROAD, FARMINGTON, IL 61531
February 8, 2022 – 4:30 PM**

The meeting was called to order at 4:32 p.m. Roll Call.

Blunier	Deppermann	Faralli	Gorsuch	Mahr	Slack	Stanley
Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comments:

1. Amy Evans – Please lift mask mandate
2. Melissa Herron – Also asked to lift mask mandate
3. Joe Herron – Also asking for mask mandate to be lifted.

Mr. Slack thanked the public for their comments.

The Return to School Plan was discussed. The plan presented for approval is the original plan decided upon in July 2021 at the start of the school year. Dr. Chatterton reviewed the Mitigation Levels as follows:

Mitigation Level 1 – Minimal *Positivity rates of less than 10% for more than 10 consecutive school days:*

Farmington Central Metrics indicate minimal transmission

- Masks recommended if closer than 3 ft for more than 15 minutes
- 3-ft between students when possible
- Quarantines for students/staff per local health department directive
- Implement remote learning for classes, grade level or building if needed

Mitigation Level 2 – Moderate *Positivity rates of 10-19% for more than 10 consecutive days:*

Farmington Central Metrics indicate moderate transmission

- Masks recommended if closer than 3 ft for more than 15 minutes
- 3-ft between students when possible
- Quarantines for students/staff per local health department directive
- Implement remote learning for classes, grade level or building if needed

Mitigation Level 3 – Substantial *Positivity rates of 20%+ for more than 10 consecutive school days:*

- Masks may be required for all students and staff
- 3-ft between students in all circumstances

- School-wide screening from 2020-2021 in place
- Quarantines for students/staff per local health department directive
- Implement remote learning for classes, grade level or building if needed

***The District will continue to evaluate and make changes as guidance frequently changes.**

The District is at 19.2% as of the time of this meeting. If this plan is enacted tonight the district would start off at Level 2.

The public asked about masking on buses. The response is that buses are covered by Federal Guidelines and require masks at all times.

The Board recognized that action tonight is of an independent nature – not in any way related to the temporary restraining order that has been in the news regarding masking in other districts. The consensus was that the board feels comfortable in following this line of action for our district and feels the Return to School Plan is solid.

Motion by Stanley, second by Mahr, to approve the Return to School Plan as presented. Roll Call Vote: 6-1 Motion carried.

Blunier	Deppermann	Faralli	Gorsuch	Mahr	Slack	Stanley
Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	*Yes	Yes

Motion by Deppermann, second by Faralli, to adjourn the meeting at 4:59 p.m. Voice Vote: 7-0 Motion carried.

Information: The next regular meeting is Monday, February 14, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. to be held in the Farmington Central High School Research Center.



President



Secretary