

INDIAN TOWNSHIP PASSAMAQUODDY SCHOOL DEPARTMENT
MEETING OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

TUESDAY, MARCH 1, 2022 @ 5:00 P.M.
In-Person at the Cafeteria and Via Zoom

MEMBERS PRESENT:

- Geo Neptune, Chairperson
- Roger Brown, Vice-Chairperson
- Jevon Dore
- Roger Brown
- Russel Lola

OTHERS PRESENT:

- Dr. Reza Namin, Superintendent
- Beth Clifford, Maine Indian Education Curriculum Coordinator
- Jane Smith, Principal
- Stephanie Meader, Pool Testing Coordinator

1. Chairperson Neptune called the meeting to order at 5:06 P.M.
2. Discussion of Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) Regarding COVID-Related School Closing and Events.

Chairperson Neptune invited the school committee members and the community to the discussion and reported that the current COVID SOP has the following conditions approved by the school committee:

- Employees will not need to use their sick time for all health-related absences.
 - The Employees will continue to quarantine and isolate the existing requirements of the 10-days instead of CDC recommended 5-days.
 - The presence of Positive COVID Cases to declare an Outbreak would be 8% of the total staff and student populations and included the Daycare rather than 15% as recommended by the Maine CDC.
- a. Motion by Mr. Dore and seconded by Mr. Lola to adopt the February 16, 2022, Standard Operating Procedure (SOP), Subject under Investigations of COVID-19 Cases in the PK -12 Schools, and by the Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention Division of Disease Surveillance, with an exception that the presence of Positive COVID Cases to declare an Outbreak would be 8% of the total staff and student populations rather than 15% as recommended by the Maine CDC. Voted: Unanimous

- b. Motion by Chairperson Neptune and seconded by Mr. Lola to develop a separate Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for the Passamaquoddy Daycare and to be presented at the next school committee meeting. Voted: Unanimous

- c. Motion by Chairperson Neptune and seconded by Mr. Dore to require the 10-days recommended quarantine for the current situation where the Daycare staff has had close contact with a Positive COVID-19 case in the family, Voted: Unanimous

- d. Motion by Mr. Lola, and seconded by Mr. Dore to have all the School Committee Meetings, in-person at the Gym with the following conditions:
 - i. School Committee members have the option to take part via Zoom,
 - ii. Open to public participation in-person and via Zoom, not to exceed 40 as members of the public attending,
 - iii. All participants must follow the Maine CDC Guidelines of masking, 6 feet apart, at all times, have negative COVID test results at the site prior to entering.

Motion: 2 Favor and 2 Opposed. The motion will be moved to the next school committee meeting.

- e. The next school committee meeting on March 15, 2022, at 5:00 PM will be in-person and under the same conditions as the March 1, 2022, in-person meeting.
3. Motion by Chairperson Neptune, and seconded by Mr. Dore to adjourn. Voted: Unanimous

The meeting was adjourned at 6:37 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,



Dr. Reza Namin