## MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 48, DU PAGE COUNTY, ILLINOIS, HELD TUESDAY, AUGUST 4, 2020 AT ALBRIGHT MIDDLE SCHOOL, VILLA PARK, ILLINOIS

Call to Order

Mr. Cuny called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call

**Board Members** 

Mr. Cuny, Mr. Kielminski, Mrs.

Present:

Rattana, Mr. Van De Velde, Mr. Downer and

Mr. Rattana

**Board Members** 

Present by Phone:

Mr. Blair

**Board Members** 

Absent:

Mr. Downer

Administrators:

Dr. Chung, Dr. Evans, Dr. Martelli, Mrs. Smith, Ms. Auslia, Mrs. Monroe, Mrs. Ross,

and Mrs. Sabourin

Staff/Visitors:

John Zelman, Richelle Jordan and Tracy

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First Comments by Visitors

None

Adoption of School Board Policies (motion)

Dr. Chung presented the updated Board policies as reviewed by the Policy Committee and recommended adoption by the Board.

Mr. Cuny requested a motion to adopt the proposed Board Policy revisions as recommended by IASB and presented by the Board Policy Committee. Mr. Blair so moved. The motion was seconded by Mr. Van De Velde and on roll call the following members voted aye: Mr. Blair, Mr. Van De Velde, Mr. Rattana, Mr. Cuny, Mrs. Rattana and Mr. Kielminski. Nays: None. The motion carried unanimously.

Re-Opening Plans for the 2020-21 School Year (motion)

Dr. Chung thanked the board for reviewing this plan and also thanked the administrative team for all of their time and dedication to create this re-entry plan. He noted that the re-opening plan certainly remains a work in progress with the ongoing guidance from ISBE, CDC, IDPH and the DPCHD. He stated that although there is no perfect plan every person in this meeting is working diligently to provide the safest reopening plan for staff and students. Dr. Chung also noted that plans are prepared and the district can pivot at a moment's notice dependent on guidance received from the various agencies. Dr. Chung reiterated that the health and safety of students and staff is at the forefront of every consideration as the administrative team navigates through this plan.

The administrative team prepared an extensive Powerpoint slideshow and collectively provided the goals for the 2020-21 school year noting the guidance and partnerships utilized that included the Illinois State Board of Education, the Illinois Department of Public Health, the DuPage County Health Department, Centers for Disease Control & Prevention guidelines. A community survey and a district staff survey were also utilized and the data received from these surveys was presented.

Dr. Martelli reviewed the guiding principles utilized and ongoing challenges considered in developing the hybrid program. He reviewed the Restore Illinois Plan noting that the state is currently in Phase 4 however, if the state were to revert back to Phase 3, the district is prepared to provide a remote learning program for students.

Mrs. Sabourin reviewed the health and safety guidelines that need to be adhered to throughout the hybrid model.

Dr. Martelli reviewed what synchronous and asynchronous models of learning are and proceeded to review the eLearning model highlighting the pros and cons considered for each model.

Mr. Blair inquired as to whether the SASED students would be reentering the buildings. Mrs. Sabourin reported that SASED has indicated that they will begin the year remotely for the first couple of weeks. Mr. Kielminski reported that he remotely attended the SASED Board of Control meeting earlier this evening and SASED is planning on utilizing a "rolling start" to navigate how member districts are proceeding with re-opening their schools.

Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Monroe and Ms. Aulisa reviewed the daily hybrid eLearning schedules for all three schools.

Mrs. Sabourin reported on how the students who receive special education and related services will continue to receive these services stating they will be pushed in to classrooms where possible and as necessary. She indicated that students may also receive services remotely in an asynchronous method.

Mrs. Smith reported that student enrollment forms were sent out to all parents with a return deadline of July 27. Following this date, the principals and administrative assistants began working on creating schedules based on requests received.

Dr. Chung thanked the board for their continued support since March 13, 2020 and throughout this entire pandemic. He stated that he will continue to be in constant contact with Karen Ayala, Executive Director from the DuPage County Health Department. He thanked

SCEA Co-Presidents John Zelman and Richelle Jordan for their collaboration throughout this process as well.

Mr. Cuny stated that he is very proud of the administrators and teachers of this district and thanked every person involved in this process. Mr. Rattana and Mr. Van De Velde thanked the administrative team for their preparedness and the incredible amount of work and planning that this process has taken to arrive at this reentry plan. Mrs. Rattana reiterated the same sentiments and encouraged the staff to continue to communicate with the board on their comfort level as this plan unfolds. Mr. Blair thanked the administrative team as well.

Mr. Cuny requested a motion to approve the proposed District 48 Re-Entry Plan as presented. Mr. Van De Velde so moved. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Rattana and on roll call the following members voted aye: Mr. Van De Velde, Mrs. Rattana, Mr. Rattana, Mr. Cuny, Mr. Kielminski and Mr. Blair. Nays: None. The motion carried unanimously.

Second Comments by Visitors

Mr. Zelman stated that from the SCEA point of view they are very thankful to have been included with the work of the principals and Dr. Chung and for being included in everything throughout this process. He stated that the SCEA feels that they don't feel they can come to the Board and ask for a specific plan because they don't know what they want. The people who are uncomfortable are this way for very specific reasons, compromised children, elderly family members, and other personal health reasons. He thanked the Board for their support.

Adjournment (motion)

As there was no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Cuny requested a motion to adjourn. Mr. Blair so moved. The motion was seconded by Mr. Van De Velde and on a voice vote carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

Secretary

President