

**MINUTES**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**BOARD OF EDUCATION, SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 186, SPRINGFIELD,**  
**SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS**  
**Monday, August 3, 2020 (6:30 PM)**

The Board of Education convened in Regular Session on August 3 A.D., 2020, at 5:35 p.m., there being present thereat:

Present: Scott McFarland, President  
Julie Hammers, Board Secretary  
Nicole Irlam, Assistant Board Secretary

Judith Johnson  
Anthony Mares  
Tiffany Mathis  
Micah Miller  
Bill Ringer  
J. Michael Zimmers

Jennifer Gill, Superintendent of Schools

It was noted that Board of Education members were in attendance via remote access, in keeping with the Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamation. Mr. McFarland, Superintendent Gill, Ms. Hammers and Ms. Irlam joined the meeting from the Board of Education's regular meeting space at 1900 West Monroe, Springfield, Illinois.

**CALL TO ORDER**

**1.1 Roll Call**

President McFarland called the meeting to order.

**APPROVAL OF EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**Approval of Executive Session**

**Resolution:** That the Board of Education approves adjournment to Executive Session to consider the following items:

**2.1 Student Discipline and Other Matters Concerning Individual Students - 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(9, 10)**

**2.2 The Appointment, Employment, or Dismissal of Employees – 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)**

**ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Anthony Mares)** Moved, Member **(Bill Ringer)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'That the Board of Education adjourn to Executive Session to consider the following matters: 2.1 Student Discipline and Other Matters Concerning Individual Students - 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(9, 10). 2.2 The Appointment, Employment, or Dismissal of Employees – 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)'

Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 4 Nay: 0. The motion **Carried 4- 0**.

Those voting “aye”: Mares, McFarland, Ringer, Zimmers  
Those voting “no”: None.

### **Adjournment to Executive Session**

The meeting adjourned at 5:38 p.m. and reconvened at 6:03 p.m. Upon reconvening, it was noted that seven Board members were present.

### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

#### **3.1 Approve the Agenda for August 3, 2020**

Resolution: That the Board of Education approves the agenda.

#### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member (**Anthony Mares**) Moved, Member (**J. Michael Zimmers**) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'That the Board of Education approves the agenda'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 7 Nay: 0. The motion **Carried. 7 - 0**

Those voting “aye”: Johnson, Mares, Mathis, McFarland, Miller, Ringer, Zimmers  
Those voting “no”: None.

### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

#### **4.1 President's Comments**

President McFarland announced that in keeping with mandates from the State of Illinois, the evening's meeting is pared down to include only essential business. As such, several agenda items that are regularly included on the meeting agenda, have been removed including the Pledge of Allegiance and Board Salutes. He then made the routine announcement that public comment on published agenda items would occur during the Public Comments portion of the meeting. He instructed those interested in addressing the Board to register to participate in the webinar. Additionally, he reminded those interested in addressing the Board that comments are limited to three minutes.

Mr. McFarland then read the following statement:

“I want to thank everyone who is joining us tonight as we take the next step toward a plan for the coming semester. I say the coming semester for a reason. Most of us have been focusing on that first day of school. That is completely understandable, and tonight we'll be talking about how that first day will look, but we also need to discuss what will keep our kids safe and learning throughout this semester and beyond.

We have an obligation to provide the best education to our students while keeping our teachers, staff, students, and their families safe. We have a particular obligation toward our students with specific needs for in-person services, including those learning English as a second language, those with autism, and others with individual education plans. I said two weeks ago, and I continue to say it now, the best academic and social education comes when a student is in the classroom. However, we also need to recognize that we are not going to be able to do that for everyone this semester. About half of our students have already opted for a remote learning plan,

and I know our teachers and the District are doing everything they can to make that option work for them.

We still have about half of our students who have registered to be in the classroom. Clearly, this is an option many of our students and their families need. The District's ability to offer it is contingent on several requirements, including a mask mandate, continued social distancing, enhanced sanitation of our buildings, screenings of all who enter, and local residents who are doing everything it can to mitigate the spread of this virus.

I believe our District and our teachers have worked together to put a plan in place that will meet all but one of those criteria by the time our schools open. The one factor we have no control over is the residents of our county.

Two weeks ago I challenged everyone to take responsibility. To wear your mask, stay home, and work to limit the spread. When I made that challenge, positive cases were 2.9% of those tested. Now, that percentage is 4.3%. That is a 48% increase in two weeks. And that has earned us a spot on the warning list along with 10 other counties.

Tonight, we are discussing and voting on a return to learn plan and a calendar. I want to make it clear to everyone: a vote tonight to approve the hybrid model as one option means that this District will be prepared to offer it on day one to students registered for it, as long as it is safe to do so. We cannot guarantee that this community will come together and decide that protecting each other and getting our students back in classrooms is worth following commonsense public health guidelines. I believe we can.

At the moment, the Return to Learn plan we have been discussing, and on which our registration options were based, is only a draft. In order for the District to prepare to offer these two models - including the hybrid model when it is safe to do so - the Board must approve this plan. If approved, we will then monitor the data and listen to the experts to determine when it is safe to offer the hybrid portion of that plan.

So, my challenge remains the same, and I hope more listen to it this time. Stay home! If you can't stay home, wear your mask, and keep at least six feet apart. If we all do this throughout August, I believe we can have students who chose hybrid education back in classrooms on August 31. If we cannot do that, they will all be learning from home for the foreseeable future.

Tonight, the board will vote on a plan to get your children back into their classrooms. During the next month, it will be up to you to decide if we can."

## **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

### **5.1 Superintendent's Report**

#### *Agenda Items*

Superintendent Gill reported that the new calendar presented to the Board this evening is very similar to the previously approved calendar. She reported that there are small changes that require the Board's attention including, the addition of five (5) remote learning/planning days, as required by the Illinois State

Board of Education, and the declaration by the State of Illinois making November 3 (Election Day) an annual holiday. The end of the first quarter has been affected by the addition of the Election Day holiday. Additionally, Superintendent Gill reported that an overview of changes to the Student Handbook will also occur later in the meeting, as will the presentation of changes to some Board Policy. She indicated that a series of policies which require updating will be presented at the next regular meeting. Those policies relate to the student dress code, employee dress code, student welfare and student attendance. The changes reflect recommendations surrounding use of face coverings by students and staff, updates to physical and immunization requirements and updates needed related to remote student attendance. She reminded Board members of the importance of student attendance, no matter the model of school.

### *Registration*

Superintendent Gill then urged parents to complete registration for the upcoming school year. She indicated that approximately 20% of students remain unregistered as of the start of the evening's meeting. She reported that completion of the registration process is critical to planning and class scheduling for the upcoming school year. She reported that on Wednesday and Thursday, August 5-6, 2020 buildings will be open to families for registration and electronic device pick up. She stated that approximately 4,900 students choose remote-only learning for the first semester with approximately 5,250 choosing a hybrid model of learning.

### *Technology*

Superintendent Gill asked families with students that attended summer school to return any technology that had been issued to their students for those summer classes, including iPads, tablets, computers, and wifi hotspots. Devices will require cleaning and updating before being reissued to students for the fall semester. Returning issued devices also ensures students have the correct device for their particular grade level. Schools are open to accept the devices. Superintendent Gill reported that the District is now a 1-1 technology district. Every student will be issued a device for the fall semester.

### *Building Access*

Superintendent Gill reported that buildings will be operational during the upcoming semester. Teachers that have selected to teach remotely will be able to access their classrooms, if they so choose, as a location from which they can teach, as well as to pick up needed supplies if teaching from home.

### *Remote Learning Expectations*

Ms. Mathis inquired as to how remote learning will differ from remote learning in the spring of 2020. Superintendent Gill indicated that students who sign up for remote learning will be required to be online working with their teacher for a set amount of time daily. Students will have daily contact with teachers and have homework for after class. There will be specific class times and assignments during the new phase of remote learning. She reported that during the spring semester, the focus was on having students engage with their teachers. During the fall semester, though, there will be high expectations for learning and more accountability, as well as attendance requirements. Ms. Johnson stressed the importance of parental involvement with remote learning. There was some further discussion regarding expectations and training for students, parents, teachers and other employees.

### *Physicals and Immunizations*

Mr. Mares asked about the date for proof of physical and immunization requirements for students. Superintendent Gill reported that the Keep Kids in School committee has been meeting regularly. The date for providing the required documentation has not been waived by the State of Illinois. It stands at October 15. The District does require students to turn in their proof of immunization or physical by the first

day of school. She reported that families will be required to show proof of an appointment date if the necessary physical or immunization has not been performed by the first day of school. Mr. Jason Wind, Director of School Support, reported that the committee met every two weeks over the summer. Individual school health clinics will not occur this year. Parents will need to make appointments with either their child's primary care physician, the Public Health Department or other health clinics. Mr. Zimmers suggested returning the due date for those immunizations and physicals to October 15. Superintendent Gill reported that parents will have additional time to obtain the actual immunization or physical. She reiterated that families will need to provide proof of having an appointment by the first day of school but that the actual immunization or physical won't be required on that date.

#### *Classified Employee Training*

Ms. Johnson inquired about training requirements for classified and certificated employees with respect to proper PPE utilization and sanitation of classrooms. Superintendent Gill reported that this particular training has been ongoing throughout the summer and will continue throughout the school year. Ms. Johnson expressed concern about potential issues that may arise over protective face covering usage by employees. Superintendent Gill reported that protective face coverings will be required for all employees and students.

### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

President McFarland reported that during the COVID19 crisis, the approach to Old and New Business must be modified. Per State of Illinois mandate, Old and New Business must be limited to emergency or time sensitive issues only.

#### **6.1 Old Business**

Ms. Johnson asked if a FAQ document had been created from questions received related to the reopening of school. Superintendent Gill reported that many of the questions will be answered through the impact bargaining that is ongoing with the Springfield Education Association. Ms. Johnson then asked about questions related to students. Superintendent Gill reported that many of the student related questions were centered around scheduling. These will be addressed during the impact bargaining. She further reported that additional questions related to transportation, lunch, remote learning requirements, scheduling, safety checks, building availability and use by teachers and visitors, use of playgrounds, how paraprofessionals can be engaged, human resource questions related to insurance and workman's comp, how students with special needs will be served, Board Policy, how after school care programs will be used, notification to teachers regarding COVID19 related cases in their buildings, how to quarantine during the school day, as well as where and how often employees can get tested.

Ms. Johnson then asked about how classroom soft fixtures, such as rugs, will be cleaned appropriately. Superintendent Gill reported that items such as rugs are going to be removed from classrooms per CDC guidelines. Ms. Johnson indicated that she would like to see how the classrooms will be set up.

Mr. Miller indicated that he would like the amount of time allotted for public comment during this meeting to remain at 3 minutes per commenter. Additionally, Mr. Miller reported that he plans to make a motion to amend agenda item number 10.1.

#### **6.2 New Business**

There was no new business at this time.

### **6.3 Board Policy Changes - D630.02 – Accelerated Placement and Gifted Instruction**

Board members were provided with draft copies of changes to Board Policy 630.02. Superintendent Gill reported that these proposed changes are needed due to changes in the State statute. She indicated that this is a first reading of the proposed changes. Mr. Mares asked if this relates to Kindergarten through 8th grade or 9th through 12th grade. Superintendent Gill reported that it relates to Kindergarten through 12th grades. There was some additional discussion regarding criteria for advance placements for high school students. Mr. Ringer asked about how the changes will affect individual students. Superintendent Gill reported that cases will be assessed on an individual basis for each student recommended for advanced placement to ensure their needs are met. There was some additional discussion regarding communication with students over availability of advanced placement classes.

## **PRESENTATIONS TO THE BOARD**

### **7.1 2020-2021 Student & Family Handbook**

Board members were provided with draft copies of the 2020-2021 Student and Family Handbook. Mr. Wind reported that thirty-nine teachers, administrators and parents met in May to discuss changes needed for the handbook. He indicated that remote learning was discussed extensively. Additional discussion revolved around student responsibilities and rights, student dress code, student and parent rights, resolution of educational issues, and school operations around a pandemic or other health emergency.

Ms. Johnson asked how many face coverings will be issued to students. Mr. Wind reported that each student will receive two plain colored face coverings that have been provided by the State of Illinois. Employees will be provided with three face coverings. There was some additional discussion regarding the availability of disposable face coverings, usage of face coverings by students in Life Skills classes, the dress code for remote learning, and equitable opportunities for all students.

It was noted that Mr. Mares stepped away from the meeting at 7:08 p.m. and returned at 7:10 p.m.

## **BUSINESS REPORT**

### **8.1 Business Report**

Board members were provided with copies of the Business Office Update dated August 3, 2020. Copies have been filed with the Official Minutes and are available for public viewing on the Electronic School Board.

Mr. Nathan Fretz, Director of Business Services, reported that the CARES Act grant and initial budget were approved in mid-July by the Illinois State Board of Education. The total grant amount was \$7.866 million, with \$427,000 allocated to private schools and another \$1.16 million held in escrow. Current net amount allocated to District 186 is \$6.27 million. As of July 31, total expenditures and encumbrances were approximately \$1.26 million, or approximately 20% of the funding directed to the district. He then provided information on how the expenditures were split based on the following categories: Salaries and Benefits (\$380,000), Purchased Services (\$536,000), Supplies (\$287,000), Capital Outlay (\$28,000), Non-Capital Outlay (\$29,000). As of July 30th, outstanding State payments totaled \$2.26 million.

## **CONSENT ACTION ITEMS**

### **9.1 Approval of Consent Action Items**

Approval of consent action items as listed in the agenda.

**Resolution:** The Superintendent recommends approval of the consent action items 9.2 through 9.9 as described in the corresponding resolutions.

**ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Anthony Mares)** Moved, Member **(Tiffany Mathis)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'The Superintendent recommends approval of the consent action items 9.2 through 9.9 as described in the corresponding resolutions'.

Mr. McFarland asked Superintendent Gill to provide an overview of the changes to the calendar listed in Consent Action Item 9.9. Superintendent Gill reported that five remote learning planning days are added to the beginning of the calendar with teachers returning on the same day but students returning 5 days later. Additionally, November 3 is now a holiday.

Ms. Johnson motioned to move item 9.8, Approval of the Updated 2020-2021 School Calendar, to roll call action items 10.3. Member (Micah Miller) seconded Ms. Johnson's motion. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 7 Nay: 0. The motion **Carried. 7 - 0.** Consent Item 9.8 Approval of the Updated 2020-2021 School Calendar was moved to Roll Call Action Items 10.3.

Those voting "aye": Johnson, Mares, Mathis, McFarland, Miller, Ringer, Zimmers  
Those voting "no": none

Mr. McFarland then called for a vote on the original motion, as amended. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was Aye: 7 Nay: 0. The motion **Carried. 7 - 0.**

Those voting "aye": Johnson, Mares, Mathis, McFarland, Miller, Ringer, Zimmers  
Those voting "no": none

**9.2 Approval of the Minutes of the Executive Session and the Regular Meeting of July 20, 2020**

**Resolution:** WHEREAS, the Board of Education of Springfield School District 186 reviews the minutes of the regular session and the executive session of the previous Board Meetings; and

WHEREAS, copies of these sets of minutes were distributed to the Board in the board packet prior to this meeting;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the aforementioned set of regular session and executive session minutes and directs the Secretary to include them in the official records of the Board of Education meetings.

**9.3 Approval of Payroll and Bills Payable**

**Resolution:** That the Board of Education approves payroll and bills payable as shown in the attached report.

**9.4 Declaration of Surplus Property**

**Resolution:** BE IT RESOLVED to declare the items on the attached documents as surplus materials to be sold or disposed.

**9.5 Approval of an Agreement with Securly**

Resolution: WHEREAS, students will be provided a device to be used at school and home; and

WHEREAS, Securly provides cloud-based web filtering for District devices while students are outside the District network; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves a one-year agreement with Securly for \$48,000.

#### **9.6 Approval of a Renewal Agreement with BTU Consultants**

Approval of an agreement with BTU consultants for E-rate preparation services for the 2020-2021 school year. Total cost is \$8,500, an \$8,500 decrease from the prior year. The decrease is due to the District's no-cost participation in the state's DOIT consortium for one of the categories of services.

**Resolution:** NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Springfield Public School District 186 approves the E-Rate Services Agreement with BTU Consultants for a total cost of \$8,500 and directs the Superintendent to execute the necessary documents.

#### **9.7 Approval of the Student and Family Handbook for the 2020-2021 School Year**

That the Board of Education approves the reviewed and revised Student and Family Handbook for the 2020-2021 school year.

**Resolution:** WHEREAS, it is required to review the Student and Family Handbook annually; and

WHEREAS, a committee consisting of parents, administrators, teachers and secondary students reviewed and revised the Student and Family Handbook for the 2020-2021 school year;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the newly reviewed and revised Springfield Public Schools Student and Family Handbook for the 2020-2021 school year.

#### **9.8 Approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Springfield**

**Resolution:** WHEREAS, the City of Springfield is able to provide services to maintain and support the District's educational channel provided by Comcast; and

WHEREAS, the City of Springfield has staff available to record and live stream Board meetings and sporting events;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves an agreement with the City of Springfield at a cost of approximately \$20,000 pending final legal review.

### **ROLL CALL ACTION ITEMS**

#### **10.1 Approval of Personnel Recommendations**

**Resolution:** The Superintendent recommends adoption of the Personnel recommendations as presented:

#### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member (**Judith Johnson**) Moved, Member (**William Ringer**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'The Superintendent recommends adoption of the Personnel recommendations as presented'.

Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 7 Nay: 0. The motion **Carried. 7 - 0**

Those voting "aye": Johnson, Mares, Mathis, McFarland, Miller, Ringer, Zimmers  
Those voting "no": None

### **10.2 Approval of the Return to Learn Options**

**Resolution:** The Superintendent recommends approval of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the District's 186 Learns Committee has recommended options for returning to learn; and

WHEREAS, the Draft 2020-2021 Return to Learn Plan includes both hybrid and remote models; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves providing both the hybrid and remote models for the first semester of the 2020-2021 school year; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that final group assignments and schedules will be provided by August 17, 2020; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the District will follow all guidance from the State of Illinois and Illinois Department of Public Health including a return to a full remote model if warranted.

Mr. Zimmer motioned to amend the original motion as follows: NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves providing a remote model for the first semester of the 2020-2021 school year with a reevaluation on October 5, 2020. Seconded by Ms. Johnson.

Mr. Zimmers then made a statement regarding his amendment. He pointed out that on March 16 when remote learning began Sangamon County had a .6% positivity rating. He further reported that the positivity rating is now 4.3% with the rate approximately 6% for youth. He indicated that the rate amongst youth doubled over the past month. He urged the other members to consider the advice of local medical experts when considering approval of this action item.

Mr. McFarland then opened the meeting to public participation. The following individuals addressed the Board regarding the plan for opening of school:

Marlene Bandy  
Susan Smith  
Allison Acker  
Eva Saunders Hunter  
Julie Rachford  
Hamed Kadiani  
Mary Farnsworth  
Aaron Graves  
Tena Nestler  
Amy Capranica  
Lindsey Rudd  
Sarah Rogers  
Karri Devlin  
Steward Sandstrom  
Brian Daugherty  
Kathy Andring

April Troemper  
Ashely Peden

Mr. Miller stated that he agrees with Mr. Zimmers earlier statements. He reported supporting a remote only model of learning at this time. Mr. McFarland stated that he is concerned about the students that need more support than can be provided by remote learning. He spoke to the need to consider the safety of students and employees. Mr. Zimmers spoke to the need to consider the health and safety of employees that will need to be back in the buildings to serve students. Ms. Mathis spoke to the need to offer in-person learning for students as there are many families that need their children to go to school and many students that benefit from in-person learning. Mr. Ringer asked if there are enough teachers interested in returning to in-person classes to support that model. He expressed support for both a hybrid, in-person model as well as a remote model to provide families with options that will best serve their students. Mr. Miller addressed the need to mitigate the spread of COVID19, in keeping with recommendations from the Sangamon County Department of Public Health. He also listed a number of districts in the area that have decided to begin with remote learning. Ms. Johnson also spoke to the need to begin remotely, with a delayed start to in-person learning. She expressed concern about completing the necessary safety protocols with in-person learning. There was then some discussion about registration numbers and additional registrants, the impact opening school may have on COVID19 positive numbers in the community, if there will be enough teachers willing to return to in-person learning, the results of a staff survey related to in-person versus remote learning, procedures for sanitizing and disinfecting school buildings.

On Mr. Zimmers motion to amend the original motion as follows: NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves providing a remote model for the first semester of the 2020-2021 school year with a reevaluation on October 5, 2020 and seconded by Ms. Johnson. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 3 Nay: 4. The motion **Failed**

Those voting "aye": Johnson, Miller, Zimmers  
Those voting "no": Mares, Mathis, McFarland, Ringer

#### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Bill Ringer)** Moved, Member **(Anthony Mares)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion "The Superintendent recommends approval of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the District's 186 Learns Committee has recommended options for returning to learn; and

WHEREAS, the Draft 2020-2021 Return to Learn Plan includes both hybrid and remote models; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves providing both the hybrid and remote models for the first semester of the 2020-2021 school year; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that final group assignments and schedules will be provided by August 17, 2020; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the District will follow all guidance from the State of Illinois and Illinois Department of Public Health including a return to a full remote model if warranted."

Mr. Ringer asked if approval of this resolution will stop the Board from making adjustments if positivity rates were to increase. Mr. McFarland read the resolution again. Ms. Mathis stated that this allows the

District to have both a hybrid and remote option in place. Mr. McFarland reported that the resolution will not require hybrid in-person learning to occur but will provide that option if positivity numbers do not increase. There was some discussion regarding the need to have input from the Sangamon County Department of Public Health.

Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 4 Nay: 3. The motion **Carried. 4 - 3**

Those voting "aye": Mares, Mathis, McFarland, Ringer,

Those voting "no": Johnson, Miller, Zimmers

### **10.3 Approval of the Updated 2020-2021 School Calendar**

**Resolution:** NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the updated public school calendar for the 2020-2021 school year and directs the Superintendent to submit the adopted calendar to the Regional Office of Education for approval.

#### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Anthony Mares)** Moved, Member **(Tiffany Mathis)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the updated public school calendar for the 2020-2021 school year and directs the Superintendent to submit the adopted calendar to the Regional Office of Education for approval'.

Ms. Johnson expressed concern regarding teachers starting five additional days prior to students. Superintendent Gill reported that the additional five days are mandated by the State of Illinois at some point in time during the year. Ms. Johnson reported that she doesn't think school should begin prior to Labor Day. Superintendent Gill reported if the days are added to the end of the school year, that will take student attendance days past the graduation date. Ms. Johnson asked that a plan for the scheduling of the school day (A Groups and B Groups of students) be completed by August 14.

Member **(Judith Johnson)** moved, Member **(Tiffany Mathis)** seconded to amend the calendar as follows, "That the group assignments and schedules will be prepared and provided to the Board of Education by August 14, 2020." Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **7** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 7 - 0**

Those voting "aye": Johnson, Mares, Mathis, McFarland, Miller, Ringer, Zimmers

Those voting "no": None

With respect to the ORIGINAL motion, as amended, upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **7** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 7 - 0**

Those voting "aye": Johnson, Mares, Mathis, McFarland, Miller, Ringer, Zimmers

Those voting "no": None

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**11.1 Next Regular Meeting — Monday, August 17, 2020, at 5:30 p.m. — Board Room**

**11.2 Freedom of Information Act Report**

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

The following individuals provided additional public comment on the return to school:

Sophia Ashbir

Abigail Jankauski

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business to come before the Board, Mr. McFarland declared the meeting adjourned until Monday, August 17, 2020. The meeting adjourned at 9:46 p.m.

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Scott McFarland, President

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Julie Hammers, Secretary

Dated: August 17, 2020