

Harrison Hills City Board of Education

Special Meeting Held January 22, 2021

The Harrison Hills City Board of Education met in special session at 5:00 pm on January 22, 2021 in the auditorium of Harrison Central. The purpose of the meeting was concerning the district's COVID 19 Plan. The following members were present: Mr. Watson, Mr. Allen, Mrs. Kenny, Mrs. Mattern and Mr. Banks. An audio recording is on file.

President Presides: Mr. Watson, president, led the board in the Pledge of Allegiance and called the meeting to order.

Board Discussion

Mrs. Snider reviewed the district's current learning options related to the color coded system in place. Mr. Watson then turned it over to the board for discussion to see if they would want to revise the plan. Mr. Watson said presently we are hybrid because the county is "red". He feels there are more resources available now than early on to make a more informed decision with the goal of getting the kids back into the classroom. Mr. Allen said things have changed and we need to reevaluate. Mr. Banks agreed. With testing more available and vaccines becoming available, we now have more resources and need to reconsider our plan. Mrs. Snider shared that the Governor did a study with 4 districts and found that student to student spread was very minimal. In our district, since COVID started, we have only had 1 student to student spread. Mrs. Kenny agreed. Students do need to be in school. Mrs. Mattern said she also believes we need to revisit and get kids back to school. Mr. Watson said we have been successful and we need to look based on our own school and not so much on the color system. Discussion was then held on what date to come back either January 25 or Feb 1. Everyone expressed their thoughts concerning the timeline.

Mr. Banks then made a motion, seconded by Mr. Watson, for all students to return 5 days a week beginning February 1, 2021. On roll call vote: Mr. Allen, no; Mrs. Kenny, no; Mrs. Mattern, no; Mr. Banks, yes; Mr. Watson, yes. The president declared the motion not approved.

Mrs. Kenny then made a motion, seconded by Mr. Allen, for all students to return 5 days a week beginning January 25, 2021. On roll call vote: Mrs. Kenny, yes; Mrs. Mattern, yes; Mr. Banks, no; Mr. Watson, no; Mr. Allen, yes. The president declared the motion approved.


Mrs. Snider said she will make this work and will make all necessary calls and will respond to all calls, texts and emails. She appreciated the board wanting to get students back to school.

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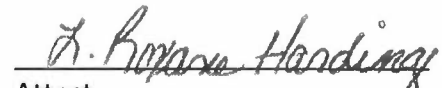
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Adjourn

Mr. Watson made the motion, seconded by Mrs. Mattern, that the special meeting of the board of education be adjourned. On roll call vote: Mrs. Kenny, yes; Mrs. Mattern, yes; Mr. Banks, yes; Mr. Watson, yes; Mr. Allen, yes. The president declared the meeting adjourned.



Approve



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