

TWIN FALLS PUBLIC SCHOOLS

School District No. 411

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August 21, 2020


7:30 a.m.

- I. Call to Order - The Board of Trustees of School District No. 411, Twin Falls County, State of Idaho, met in a properly noticed special board meeting held virtually in a Zoom online meeting platform (accessible by the public), Twin Falls, Idaho, at the hour of 7:33 a.m., on Friday, August 21, 2020. The following trustees were present: Chairman, Bryan Matsuoka; Vice Chairman, Paul McClintock and Trustees, Heidi Casdorff, Jonathan Lord, and Jayson Lloyd. There were also present Superintendent of Schools, Brady D. Dickinson; Board Clerk, Michelle Lucas; Associate Superintendent, Bill Brulotte; as well as directors, interested patrons, employees, and the news media.
- II. Approval of Agenda –Chairman Matsuoka asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Vice Chairman McClintock moved to approve the agenda as submitted. Trustee Casdorff seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- III. Instruction A. Information Item:
1. Superintendent Dickinson shared that the reason for this special board meeting is to update the language on exclusion from school for anyone considered highly exposed to coronavirus. Please note that the language will make it mandatory for anyone considered highly exposed to be excluded from face-to-face school/activities for 14 days. This change goes into effect starting today if approved. With some additional guidance and advice from legal counsel and the State Department of Education we have a need to add additional language to exclude students from face-to-face attendance at school that are highly exposed to the coronavirus. Highly exposed is defined as exposure to someone within 6 feet for 15 or more minutes. Idaho code does give boards the authority to exclude anyone exposed to an infectious disease from attending school, however, the District can't make them quarantine for the 14 days as recommended by the CDC. The Board wordsmithed language that read: "Staff and students with close contact (high exposure) will be excluded from face-to-face attendance at school (including all in-person school activities) for 14 calendar days from the last contact (or as determined by and in consultation with the CDC, SCPHD, and/or St. Luke's) and are highly recommended to quarantine. This includes close contacts who may be in other schools. The CDC defines close contact as a person who has been within 6 feet of the infected person for a prolonged period of time (about 15 minutes) within two days prior to the onset of symptoms and thereafter. Wearing a face covering while within 6 feet does not eliminate consideration as a close contact".

III. Instruction B. Action Item:

1. With no other discussion, Vice Chairman McClintock moved to approve the amended plan language to exclude highly exposed students and staff from face-to-face attendance at school or activities and with the addition of "and/or" to the list of entities consulted as discussed. Trustee Lord seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

IX. Vice Chairman McClintock moved to adjourn. Trustee Lord seconded the motion. Motion carried. The time was 7:47 a.m.


Chairman Bryan Matsuoka

ATTEST:


Clerk, Michelle Lucas