

**Return to School Planning Team 2020 - Meeting Minutes
GREENWICH PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

DATE: 7-16-2020

LOCATION: Virtual - Zoom

ATTENDANCE: ***Return to School Planning Team 2020 Members***

Dr. Toni Jones, Superintendent

Ms. Karen Hirsh, Board of Education

Ms. Mary Keller, GPS Head of Nursing, State of CT Task Force Member

Dr. Katherine Noble, GPS Medical Doctor Consultant

Cabinet

Dr. Ann Carabillo, Deputy Superintendent

Mr. Sean O'Keefe, Chief Operating Officer

Ms. Mary Forde, Chief Pupil Personnel Services Officer

Ms. Shamain Johnson, Chief Human Resources Officer

Mr. Michael Ting, Chief Technology Officer

Mr. Marc D'Amico, Director K-8 Curriculum

Ms. Sasha Houlihan, Director of Communications

1. Meeting Opening/Call to Order

Dr. Jones called the meeting to order at 10:03AM.

2. Share Focus Group Work

Overview

Dr. Jones reshared the District's Task Force goals, structure and subgroups as well as the dates and groupings of previous and future Focus Group sessions. She advised that Staff and Community Town Hall sessions are being scheduled for July 30, 2020.

School Calendar Adjustment

Dr. Jones shared that a School Calendar adjustment is being proposed for staff development and preparation for the 2020-2021 school year.

Health Practices and Protocol

Dr. Jones shared health practices and protocols including cohorting and quarantining; and noted that decisions regarding protocol may continue to change as decision trees change or get updated. Discussion included length of quarantine and types of exposure.

Remote Learning School

Dr. Jones shared information about Remote Learning School options, protocol for returning to school, and when more details would be available for families. Discussion included adding a glossary of terms and definitions for added clarity; and sharing sample schedules of remote vs.

in-person school to give parents a better understanding when making decisions. Mr. D'Amico shared details of the strategy behind remote learning including goals, criteria for success and sample scheduling.

Questions and Answers

Dr. Jones shared several frequently asked questions including transcript considerations, absences, substitutes, facilities, outdoor options, social distancing, student schedules, assessments, lunch, and budget. Discussion included considerations for hybrid models and necessary approvals from the State, partnerships with local organizations for our school meal programs, and updating proposed budget numbers to include additional costs for equipment, staffing, etc.

Closing

Dr. Jones reshared the webpage link where the District shares meeting information, updates, communications and more.

3. Adjournment

Dr. Jones adjourned the meeting at 11:01am.