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**Meeting of the Board of Directors
Tuesday, September 1, 2020 at 7:00pm
Meeting held via Zoom due to COVID-19**

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m.

Board Members in Attendance: Joe Conwell, Isaac Ewell, Steve Kempf, Steve Smith, Patrick South, Elaine Wells, Wes Wyatt

Board Members Excused: Eric Dobson, Amy Guidi, Albert Oehrle, Kerry Woodward, Wally Zimolong

Staff in Attendance: David Hardy, Ruth Gonzalez, Colleen Smith

Guests: N/A

I. Call to Order: *Wes Wyatt*

Mr. Wyatt calls the meeting to order, and thanks everyone for attending the emergency meeting.

There is a motion to adopt the August 17, 2020 board of directors meeting minutes which is moved by Mr. Kempf and seconded by Mr. Smith. The motion passes unanimously.

Mr. Wyatt concludes stating that the primary purpose of the meeting is to review and approve the revised school health and safety plan and emergency instructional time waiver, which were circulated to the board in advance of the meeting.

II. School Health and Safety Plan: *Dave Hardy, Colleen Smith*

Mr. Hardy begins sharing that following comprehensive feedback given to school leadership by a committee of high school teachers, a decision was made to revise the daily schedule at the high school. He summarized the revision, which is to move from all eight class periods meeting daily to periods one through four meeting on Mondays and Thursdays and periods five through eight meeting on Tuesdays and Fridays. Wednesday will remain a day for independent work, office hours, and meetings.

Mr. Hardy continues stating that following this revised schedule over the course of the year will result in a loss of approximately 60 hours of instructional time. Ms. Smith confirms that the proposed revised schedule still exceeds the minimum required 990 hours.

Ms. Smith continues stating that the proposed revised schedule, with 80 minute class periods instead of 45 minutes class periods, allows for more robust discussion and deeper exploration typical of high school-level learning.

Mr. Wyatt confirms that the impetus for this change is the high school faculty. He continues stating that two votes are needed, to approve the revised school health and safety plan and to approve the revised emergency instructional time waiver.

There is a motion to approve the amended school health and safety plan for Boys' Latin, which is moved by Mr. Conwell and seconded by Mr. Kempf. The motion passes unanimously.

There is a motion to approve the amended emergency instructional time waiver for Boys' Latin, which is moved by Mr. Kempf and seconded by Mr. Conwell. The motion passes unanimously.

Mssrs. Conwell and Wyatt express their appreciation to the school team and board for their work on the plan for the upcoming school year.

Mr. Wyatt thanks everyone for attending.

The meeting adjourns at 7:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Pat South

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Patrick South, Secretary