

HAMPTON TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
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The Hampton Township Board of School Directors met on Monday, August 24, 2021, in the Hampton Middle School Auditorium, 4589 School Drive, Allison Park, PA 15101. The Meeting was also livestreamed online.

Meeting

Attendance: Ms. Denise Balason, Mrs. Jill Hamlin, Mr. Matt Jarrell, Mrs. Joy Midgley, Mr. Greg Stein, Mrs. Trisha Webb, Mr. Bryant Wesley, Dr. Michael Loughead, Messrs. Jeffrey Kline and Don Palmer along with a number of Hampton Township residents.

Attendance

Mr. Robert Shages participated in the meeting via teleconference.

Mr. Larry Vasko was absent from the meeting.

The meeting was called to order followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Bryant Wesley served as Chairperson of the meeting. Mr. Jeffrey Kline served as Recording Secretary.

Mr. Wesley opened the floor for public comment.

Public Comment

Mr. Sean Grimm, District parent addressed the Board. Mr. Grimm thanked the Board for allowing the public time to comment on the issues. Mr. Grimm cited data from Allegheny County that was recently shared with District families. Mr. Grimm stated that the 7 day rolling data listed 168 cases, 6 hospitalizations and 0 deaths. He indicated that this data does not warrant a meeting to mask the students from 7th grade to 12th grade. Mr. Grimm stated that he brought his children with him to provide the Board with first person account of what happens in the various classrooms. He noted that mask breaks do not occur as discussed at previous meetings.

Recent ACHD Data and Masking

A District student addressed the Board regarding her experience in the classroom last year. The student stated that they were excited to return to school last year, until the mask caused issues with clarity and communication. The student noted that mask breaks only occurred when they stopped for a drink of water. She indicated that she missed seeing her friends smiles. The student reported having to carry her backpack with her everywhere and how heavy it was.

Student Account of the Classroom Experience in 2020-2021

Another District student addressed the Board regarding their classroom experience during the 2020-2021 School Year. The student stated that she did not receive mask breaks on a daily basis. She noted that communication was an issue and both teacher and students frequently had to repeat themselves. The student requested the Board ensure that students will be permitted mask break throughout the day.

Student Account of the Classroom Experience in 2020-2021

Mr. Stein addressed the public and Mr. Grimm noting that he is an incumbent running this fall for a School Board position without having children in the District. Mr. Stein stated that all of his children went through Hampton. He indicated that it was his choice to wait until his children were out of school before running for a school board position.

Mr. Stein Comments to Mr. Grimm – Board Members Without

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He urged Mr. Grimm and the public not to look harshly on a board member who did not have children in the District as there are many reasons to why this occurs.

Children in the District

A District student addressed the Board regarding the difficulties and distractions that accompany wearing a mask during the school day. The student stated that it is hard to hear and clearly understand what the teacher and classmates are saying. He noted he has issues with focusing while wearing a mask as well.

Difficulties to Wearing a Masks

A District student addressed the Board stating that he believes masks should be optional for all students. He stated that his parents would never endanger him and that they know what is best for him. The student also noted that during physical activity he struggles to breathe.

Difficulties to Wearing a Mask

A Township resident addressed the Board requesting those Board members who were wearing a mask to briefly lower their mask so as she could recognize their face. She stated that she has lived in the District for nearly 25 years, has paid approximately \$100,000 in taxes and has never had a child go through the Hampton Schools. The community member stated that she is a former teacher a former high school administrator and currently holds an executive position working with babies and children. She stated her concerns on the matter is great. She read a quote from Benjamin Rush, signer of the Declaration of Independence among other positions. Mr. Rush stated "Unless we put medical freedom into the Constitution a time will come when medicine will organize into an undercover dictatorship to restrict the art of healing to one class of men and deny equal privileges to another. The Constitution of this Republic should make special privilege for medical freedom as well as religious freedom." She stated that it was wonderful to see each of the Board Members' faces and she will pray the Board will provide the same opportunity for the students.

Township Resident
- Quote from Benjamin Rush

Ms. Jill Harrington a District parent addressed the Board thanking them for the opportunity to speak at the meeting tonight as well as at previous meetings. Ms. Harrington stated that there is a corrupt agenda behind the pandemic and fear is being pushed onto the people. Ms. Harrington stated that the CDC has announced they will discontinue the current PCR tests due to inaccurate test results. The CDC is still utilizing this PCR test until December 31, 2021 to screen for Covid-19, therefore this data should be disregarded. Ms. Harrington went on to state masks do not work against the spread of Covid-19 and listed sources which stated this fact.

Corrupt Agenda to the Covid-19 Pandemic

Mr. Keith Hoehler a District parent addressed the Board citing studies that prove the ineffectiveness of masks against Covid-19. Mr. Hoehler quoted an article published on the CDC website from March 5th which states "CDC Report Admits Mask Wearing Provides No Real Protection Against Covid." The article goes on to state that the CDC admits mask wearing provides no real protection against Covid-19 and actually worsen infection risk. Mr. Hoehler stated that chronic mask wearing has contributed to serious mental health conditions and suicide rates across the country. Mr. Hoehler stated we need to ask ourselves if we are masking to help the children or to follow a political agenda.

Masks Do Not Stop Transmission of Covid-19

Ms. Camille Joyce a District parent addressed the Board stating it is unethical to mandate

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students to wear masks in schools when vaccines are readily available for adults who are concerned about Covid-19. She added that children are not significant spreaders of the disease. Ms. Joyce stated that the Board does not have the authority to mandate masks for students. Ms. Joyce stated that she is considering enrolling her Middle School student into PA Cyber with her two elementary children due to these mask mandates.

Mask Students

Mr. John Ontko a District parent addressed the Board stating he has three students at the elementary level. He stated that he believes that Covid-19 mitigation measures will never just stop. Mr. Ontko stated he fully believes that he will be back again next year debating masks or something similar with the Board in regard to Covid-19. Mr. Ontko reviewed the data from the Allegheny County Health Department providing additional statistical information. He reported that zero individuals ages 0-24 have died from Covid-19 but the ACHD report sent out by the District categorizes this data as "Less Than Five" have died from Covid-19. Mr. Ontko, indicated that he found this to be misleading. Mr. Ontko stated the parents of Hampton Township will have a choice come November 2021.

Reviewing the Covid-19 statistics

Ms. Karen Shepner a District parent addressed the Board demanding mask choice for the 2021-2022 School Year. Ms. Shepner stated that 90% of the senior citizen population, those at the greatest risk to Covid-19, have received at least the first dose of the vaccine. She reported that 80% of seniors have been fully vaccinated. Ms. Shepner stated that the vaccination was not to ensure that we as a population would never get ill again, but to prevent an apocalyptic scenario where hospitals were overrun with the sick and there were not enough supplies or healthcare workers to treat those that were ill. Ms. Shepner reported that there has not been a single documented case of a student giving Covid-19 to their teacher. In addition, she stated that there are no federal or local mask mandates for schools. Therefore, parents should make their choices for their own families.

Mask Choice for 2021-2022 School Year

Mr. Chris Arnold, District parent addressed the Board thanking them for listening to all the parents again this evening. Mr. Arnold stated that he agreed with some of the other speakers regarding the fact that it is no longer March of 2020. He indicated that since March of 2020 we have learned more about Covid-19. He stated that the Board has used this information to craft a plan that allows the students full-time in-person instruction. Mr. Arnold stated that masks are not convenient for anyone, but they are recommended by the CDC, ACHD and AAP. He encouraged the Board to continue to follow the guidance from these organizations.

Approval of the Boards Health and Safety Plan Decisions

A District Senior, addressed the Board stating that a mask mandate would be the first of many measures that would ruin his senior year. He noted that the Senior Class has been stripped of two Thons, two Proms, and a Homecoming. The student stated that everyone deserves a true high school experience and these mandates prevent this from occurring.

Request Not to Mask

A District student addressed the Board stating that a mask mandate is a nonsensical decision but also an abusive behavior toward the students. There are no studies that correlate the effectiveness of masks against lowering the transmission of the virus or any virus. He stated all studies involving masks have been done in laboratory settings, all with a one-time use mask to see how far the virus penetrates through the masks. The student stated that in real life masks are worn repeatedly, they are touched, worn

Questioning the Effectiveness of Masks

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improperly, soiled, and continued to use throughout the day. Therefore, the laboratory testing does not transmit to daily use. In addition to the lack of mask testing reiterated the fact that parents have rights and should they choose to mask their children it would only impact their children and not impede on the rights of other parents. The student echoed early comments that Covid-19 is not dangerous to children as outlined by the data from the CDC. He stated that more children have died from drowning this year alone than from Covid the past 18 months. The student noted that children are not mandated to wear life vests daily in the event they would encounter water. Lastly, the student relayed information regarding stunting the non-verbal communication that children learn by watching the faces of others every day.

Another District student addressed the Board stating she was not allotted mask breaks throughout the day last school year. She stated that students have been contacted by their coaches stating masks will be necessary for practices. The student asked what else will be taken from the students this year. She concluded her remarks inquiring if her education will be taken from her if she does not go along with the mask mandate.

Lack of Mask
Breaks – Inquiries
to What Other
Areas May Be
Impacted

Dr. Joshua Shulman, District parent addressed the Board thanking them for their service. Dr. Shulman stated that we all have learned a lot about Covid-19 since March 2020 when fear was rampant and information limited. Dr. Shulman reported that the scientific community agrees that Covid-19 is transmitted through the droplets formed by passing air through the lungs such as coughing, talking, and singing. He stated the most feasible way to mitigate transmission is through wearing masks. Dr. Shulman stated he is fearful of new variants and has seen the harmful effects of the virus.

Masking Is Feasible
Method of
Lowering
Transmissions

Ms. Lauren Henzler, District parent addressed the Board regarding concerns of mask mandates. Ms. Henzler stated that she felt disrespected by not receiving responses to her emails from either the Superintendent or the Board. Ms. Henzler stated that masking mandates are against the law and that each individual has a responsibility to their own health choices.

Mask Mandates
Unlawful

A rising District Junior addressed the Board. The student stated that she had not had a normal standard year of high school due to the pandemic. She noted that her sophomore year was a nightmare as she started the year with in-person hybrid instruction. She stated that she struggled with the schedule, not being able to communicate clearly with teachers, and being reprimanded for her mask. The student switched to Hampton Online Academy in the spring which only compounded her issues due to the lack of socialization. She stated that education and socialization is far more important than wearing a mask.

Student Experience
During 2020-2021

Ms. Judy McCauley, District parent addressed the Board stating she has three children who went through the Hampton Online Academy last year. She indicated that her children did not have a successful school year with HOA. Ms. McCauley thanked the Board for requiring masking at the elementary level. She urged the Board to require universal masking for K-12 as it will aid in keeping students in school.

HOA Experience
2020-2021
Request for
Universal Mask
Mandate

A District parent addressed the Board requesting universal masking for the District. She stated that mandating masking at the elementary level was an excellent step. However,

Universal Mask
Mandate Request

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the parent noted that voluntary masking at the secondary level allows the opportunity of older siblings potentially affect their younger siblings at home. The parent stated that the Delta variant seems to be affecting younger children more than the original strain causing brain fog, fatigue and other symptoms. She encouraged the Board to continue to follow the science and enforce universal masking.

Mr. James Hilston, a Township resident addressed the Board regarding his own personal history of a suspicious nature and his misdirected beliefs that others were endangering his rights and freedoms. Mr. Hilston stated that approximately 10 years ago he had a change of heart and he has since viewed the world differently. He believes that everyone is doing the best that they can with the information that they have. Mr. Hilston indicated that he is more trusting of research done by experts which is then peer-reviewed as experts should fact check experts. He noted that in the scientific process as time passes and more knowledge is acquired on a topic, any expert guidance provided to the public may also change to match the newly acquired knowledge, such as with Covid-19.

Understanding
Scientific Research

Ms. Gina Moser a District parent addressed the Board with her support of the mask mandate. She stated that this debate is very hard to watch as everyone has their own child's best interest at heart. She stated the community is typically a cordial and caring community that cares for each other and that this caring is causing the passion in the parent arguments. Ms. Moser stated that the community has always come together to acknowledge that the Board. She noted that the Board's job is very difficult at times and the members are voluntary civil servants who perform their duties to serve their community especially the students. Ms. Moser stated she reminds her own son, who is a Junior at the High School, to wear his mask every day as it protects others during this pandemic. She noted that mask mandates are necessary for in-person learning and stated the Board is within their right to implement this guidance.

Appreciation for
the Board –
Approval of Mask
Mandate

Ms. Laura Wagner a District parent addressed the Board drawing attention to the American flag set on the stage. She stated that flag represents our country and stated that everyone in the room pledged their allegiance to that flag to begin the meeting this evening. Ms. Wagner stated "one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all." Ms. Wagner repeated "indivisible" and then questioned the room on how divided our country currently is. She stated the flag represents the right and liberty to make our own choices. Ms. Wagner indicated that we as citizens are all different and that fact is the beauty of America, the differences and the ability to have differences of opinion and the ability to make choices about those opinions. She encouraged the Board to look to the flag when making their decision tonight as the American public wants their right to make their own choice.

American's Right
for to Make
Choices

Mr. Michael Sager a District parent addressed the Board stating he does not want his children to have to wear masks, but understands their necessity at this time. He promoted the idea of mask breaks for the students throughout the day. Mr. Sager stated that the Board does have a hard decision this evening. He reminded the Board that children do not live in a vacuum. As such a student may be exposed to Covid-19 at school and then return home to visit with family and unknowingly infect others, some who could be more susceptible to health issues. He stated that masking is necessary at this time.

Support for
Masking

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Mr. Brian Bennett, District parent addressed the Board in support of the proposed plan for masking students K-12. Mr. Bennett stated he is a pastor for area universities including Carnegie Mellon University. Mr. Bennett listed the guidance these campuses are facing including required vaccinations, mandatory weekly testing, and masking. Mr. Bennett noted that masking is necessary for the safety of all and protecting those most at risk.

Support of Masking

A District student addressed the Board with a request to approve masking for students K-12. The young lady stated that while the survival rate of Covid among children below the age of 19 is very high, it does not account for the long lasting negative side effects many individuals are reporting after their exposure to Covid-19. The rising Junior stated that it is unacceptable to tell someone that they are ok to get ill because they are likely to survive or should have less severe symptoms than another group of individuals. She requested that the Board implement masking for all students.

Request for Mask Mandate

Ms. Lisa An addressed the Board regarding the passionate opinions on the masking topic. She noted that the variables to gather the data for voluntary masking for a regular 5-day weekly in-person schedule are not available. She stated that many districts operated last year remotely, had a version of a hybrid schedule and most all instituted universal masking. So she understands that the data is not available. Ms. An stated there is another variable which does require attention and that is the Delta variant that has caused significant increases to child hospitalizations in the south. Ms. An requested a masking mandate so that seniors may have their special events this year.

Request for Mask Mandate

Ms. Trish Buben a District parent addressed the Board with several questions. Ms. Buben stated here child is returning to Central Elementary after attending Hampton Online Academy last year. Ms. Buben was concerned over the lack of 3 feet of social distancing between the desks in her child's classroom. Dr. Loughead stated that he will look into this situation. He noted that the District is working to allow more interaction in the classroom but to will try to adhere to at least 3 feet social distance when feasible.

Social Distancing in the Classrooms

Ms. Buben also inquired about the language of religious exemption to masking in the HTSD Health & Safety Plan. She stated that she reviewed several other neighboring district's plans and none of them mention religious exemptions. Dr. Loughead and Mr. Palmer stated that whether the language is articulated within the actual Health & Safety Plan or not districts are required to consider exemptions if they are submitted.

Religious Exemptions

Mr. Jeremiah Lambo, District parent addressed the Board to requesting them to review the CDC website for studies published in May regarding masking. Mr. Lambo stated that the community will have the choice of write-in candidates for School Board in November.

Request to Review CDC Website, School Board Candidate Options

Ms. Ann Craig a District parent addressed the Board requesting them to follow the science, and implement universal masking in the District. She stated her children were an online learners last year. Ms. Craig stated this was difficult for her children and she would like them to return to the schools. She stated that universal masking is the best

Request for Masking

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option for ensuring continued in-person learning.

Ms. Carolynn Johnson a District parent addressed the Board thanking them for their time and effort into making these tough decisions. She thanked the Board for navigating the school year so well last year, which allowed the students in-person instruction with little disruptions. Ms. Johnson urged the Board to continue to follow the guidance of the CDC and AAP as losing a single child to Covid-19 would be too many

Request to Follow
the CDC and Mask
Mandates

Ms. Monica Hoehler a District parent addressed the Board and thanked them for their time. Ms. Hoehler asked if Dr. Loughead could read aloud page 5 section A as well as page 6 from the PowerPoint presentation provided this evening. Mr. Wesley stated that Dr. Loughead would be reviewing the entire packet in his presentation shortly.

Request to Review
PowerPoint
Presentation

The following information was presented and/or action taken on items submitted by Mrs. Hamlin of the Educational Programs Committee.

Educational
Programs

Mrs. Hamlin turned the floor over to Dr. Loughead to provide the Board with an update to the current recommendations for the District's Health and Safety Plan. She asked if Dr. Loughead would read aloud page 5 section A as well as page 6 from the presentation

Update Presentation
– HTSD Health &
Safety Plan

Dr. Loughead reviewed the changes made to the Health & Safety Plan at the last Board Meeting on August 9, 2021. He noted that the current guidelines for masking as provided by the CDC and AAP have not changed since the August 9th meeting. Dr. Loughead then read an excerpt from the Health & Safety Plan that was approved earlier this month. He stated "At Hampton High School the District strongly recommends that all unvaccinated students, staff and visitors participate in mask-wearing when indoors. However, should Allegheny County be determined to be a High Transmission level (per CDC community transmission levels), masking indoors will be strongly recommended, and if conditions warrant, may be required for both vaccinated and unvaccinated students, staff and visitors."

Dr. Loughead stated that Allegheny County has entered the category of High Transmission Level of community spread with the 7-day rolling total of 1,611 cases, 133.22 per 100,000 persons (9.53% change). He added that the CDC is reporting 178 new hospitalizations and 16 new deaths for Allegheny County. Dr. Loughead then shared data from a Post-Gazette article that used ACHD data spanning July 12 – August 20, regarding Covid-19 cases in children 0-18. The article and data reported a spike among children ages 5-12. He also presented information from the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) which spanned April through August. This data illustrated the number of new cases added among children in the time frame of April 23rd – August 18th.

Dr. Loughead stated that based on the information provided by Dr. LuAnn Brink, Chief Epidemiologist at the Allegheny County Health Department, to the area superintendents in Allegheny County, 111 children 0-17 have been hospitalized with Covid-19 and fewer than five have died since 2020. Dr. Loughead reported that Dr. John Williams the Division Chief of Infectious Diseases at UPMC Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh was also brought in to speak to the superintendents. Dr. Williams made the following

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recommendations:

- To mask all individuals both vaccinated and unvaccinated in the Allegheny County Schools. Adding masks are safe and have no harmful side effects on children.
- Hospitalizations among children have increased in recent weeks within Allegheny County due to the spread of the highly contagious Delta variant.

Dr. Loughead stated that the District is focused on holding in-person instruction. He stated he is proud of what the District accomplished last year with far more days of in-person instruction than some of the neighboring school districts. He stated that this is exactly why this recommendation is so powerful right now to help ensure that dances, athletics, extracurricular activities, and in-person learning all have the opportunity to proceed. Dr. Loughead stated that he will increase his efforts to ensure mask breaks are afforded to all students this year.

Dr. Loughead made the following recommendations for the Hampton High School and Hampton Middle School:

- All faculty, staff, students and visitors will be required to participate in mask-wearing when indoors.
- Mask breaks will be afforded to students as was previously provided during universal masking.
- Should the Allegheny County transmission rates decline to Moderate or Low transmission status (per CDC community transmission levels), the District will consult with ACHD and reevaluate this policy.

Dr. Loughead stated that the District will continue to monitor community transmission levels, and in consultation with the ACHD, will adjust mask-wearing guidelines and requirements K-12 as necessary.

The District approved the same masking requirements for the elementary buildings with the following caveat "Should Allegheny County be determined to be in Low transmission status (per CDC community transmission levels), the District will consult with ACHD and reevaluate this policy.

Dr. Loughead reminded the public that federal law mandates face coverings on all individuals despite vaccination status on all school buses.

Dr. Loughead provided an update to the guidelines for contact tracing and quarantining as developed by the combined efforts of the District and ACHD.

- "Close contact" is defined as being within 3 feet of a Covid-19 positive individual for a minimum of 15 minutes when masked, and within 6 feet for an unmasked individual.
- Asymptomatic fully-vaccinated individuals or individuals who have tested positive for Covid-19 in the last 3 months should get tested 3-5 days after exposure. These individuals may remain in school provided wear a mask indoors, as they await the test results and remain asymptomatic.

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- Unvaccinated individuals must follow standard testing and quarantine guidelines as per the CDC. These guidelines state 10 day quarantine without testing and a 7 day quarantine after receiving a negative test which must occur on day 5 or later.
- As per guidance from the ACHD, close contact excludes students within 3-6 feet of a positive student in the k-12 classroom setting who correctly and consistently wore well-fitted masks during the entire time of exposure risk. This does not include staff or visitors.
- During contact tracing procedures, parents and students are not obligated or required to provide information regarding vaccination status or a history of previous Covid-19 infection. However, this information may be provided voluntarily and if obtained by the District it will be handled similarly to other protected health information that the District receives from students and families.

In closing, Dr. Loughead recognized the passion the parents and community have for this matter. Dr. Loughead stated he feels this is a prudent recommendation that the District must take based on the guidance from the ACHD and local health officials. Dr. Loughead stated the District will continue to closely monitor the transmission levels and the ever changing conditions surrounding Covid-19 and be responsive and flexible to recommended changes to the Health & Safety Plan.

Dr. Loughead fielded questions from the Board, his answers are below.

- If a student is exposed to Covid-19 the District would provide their name to the ACHD. However, if the District is provided with the voluntary information of vaccination status then the student's name would not need to be provided to the ACHD for quarantine purposes.
- In the event of an exposure and the entire school is masked, the only students who would be required to quarantine would be those who were within 3 feet of the positive individual for more than 15 minutes.

Upon motion by Ms. Hamlin, seconded by Mr. Stein and carried by a voice vote of 8-1, with Mrs. Midgley voting no, the Board approved the Hampton Township School District School Reopening Health & Safety Plan Update.

Updated Health & Safety Plan

Mrs. Midgley had a comment on the motion. She stated that the Board is working to make the best decisions that they can. She noted that no one on the Board is taking these matters lightly nor does she believe anyone is voting based upon politics. Mrs. Midgley stated that she works in healthcare and is familiar with the data regarding Covid-19 which does not warrant a required mask mandate, and for that reason she will be voting "no" this evening.

Mrs. Midgley Addresses the Public

Mr. Jarrell had a comment on the motion, stating that he appreciates all the emails that the community members have sent to the Board. He noted that he has read every single one and takes the time to review any links that are included. Mr. Jarrell stated that he will be voting to approve the Health & Safety Plan this evening. He indicated his reasoning for his vote centers on the rules for quarantining. Mr. Jarrell stated in-person instruction

Mr. Jarrell Addresses the Public

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is the main goal for himself as well as many District families.

Mr. Jarrell stated that the safety of the students is his primary concern. He stated that he trusts the global health experts and the guidance they provide, including the recommendation for masking K-12 students. Mr. Jarrell noted that the county is in a level of High Transmission community spread with a Covid variant that is highly transmissible. He stated he is doing what he believes is best for all students.

Mr. Wesley stated that he wanted to thank the teachers, the administration and Board Members for their efforts during the pandemic. Mr. Wesley stated that Dr. Loughhead has been very thoughtful in making these recommendations during this process. He also complimented the student speakers for their comments this evening. Mr. Wesley commented as to the ever changing guidelines to aid in the protection against and prevention of Covid-19. He stated that only a month ago schools were returning to full in-person instruction without a mask requirement. He indicated that it is difficult to go against the recognized and respected health organizations such as the CDC, AAP and ACHD. Mr. Wesley stated that the Board is working to make the best decision for the students.

Mr. Wesley
Addressed the
Public and the
Board

Mr. Wesley opened the floor for public comment.

Public Comment

Mr. Sean Grimm a District parent addressed the Board inquiring if a Zoom option would be available for quarantined students. Dr. Loughhead addressed Mr. Grimm stating that those students identified and confirmed by the ACHD or other medical agency as being required to quarantine would have the option of Zoom during this time.


Zoom Option for
Quarantined
Students

Mr. Jeremiah Lambo a District parent addressed the Board inquiring if parental choice for masking would be addressed by the Board again when Transmission rates were in Low for elementary students and Low/Moderate for secondary students. Mr. Wesley stated that the Board under the current plan which was approved this evening would not readdress masking until we were in Low/Moderate Transmission Rates.

Will Parent Choice
on Masking be
Revisited

Upon motion by Mr. Stein, seconded by Mr. Jarrell and carried unanimously by voice vote the meeting was adjourned.

Adjournment



Denise Balason, Secretary