

**Minooka Elementary School District 201**  
Board of Education Meeting Minutes

Education Committee  
District Office Board Room

Tuesday, March 8, 2022

**1. Call to Order**

Meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Kathleen Cheshareck, Interim Academic Officer.

Present: Adam Shainberg, Ed Cronin, Breanna Jolly, Julie McFadden, Marci Pena, Nicole Poynton, Jodi Schager, Jeff Shelby, Nicole Finkelstein, Jennifer Garapolo, Katie Glavin, Kaitlin Hartanovich, Maymi Heaser, Kristen Konfirst, Lisa Lara, Anita Stimac, Mike Tonelli, Haley Tribuzzi, Ciara Manno, Rodney Hiser, Teri Miller, Jeana Pekol, Kathleen Cheshareck, and Lori Shanholtzer

**2. Discussion - Parent Teacher Conferences**

The following conversation took place regarding parent/teacher conferences:

- Historical comparison sheet was shared with the committee to show the trend of past conferences beginning with the year 2010.
- Comparison sheet was shared with the committee regarding other school districts and how they have their conferences.
- Majority of parents attend Fall conferences versus Spring conferences.
- Conferences during Thanksgiving week were the most popular and convenient for all families.
- Is it necessary to have Spring conferences? If there are concerns with a student, the teacher usually has been addressed by then.
- Fall conferences are very engaging for both parents and teachers.
- Zoom conferences were a convenient option for parents.
- Moving forward, possibly having a parent have a choice between zoom and in person conferences. Another option discussed would be K-4 be in person and 5-8 zoom meetings.

**3. Adjournment**

Meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

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Emily Conquest, President

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Al Skwarczynski, Secretary

