

WEBSTER PUBLIC SCHOOLS
WEBSTER SCHOOL COMMITTEE
OPEN SESSION MINUTES (M.G.L. C.39) OF Tuesday, February 15, 2022

Date: February 15, 2022

Time: 5:00 PM

Location: Remote ZOOM.

The meeting was called to order by: Chair Seddiki

The following Committee Members were present

- Member Millet
- Member Adamopoulos
- Vice Chair Napierata
- Member Blythe

Chair Seddiki stated as a reminder the changes in Open Meeting Law issued, the Executive Order modifying Open Meetings. The meeting is posted on the district website with the zoom link allowing the public to join in the meeting. As another reminder this meeting is being recorded both audio and video and will be posted on the district website.

I. Call to Order: Pledge of allegiance .

II Old Business .

A. Discussion and Approval of Mask mandate Policy EBCFA

Dr. Goguen said the Governor of Massachusetts has announced the state mandate will be lifted 2/28/2022. We have an existing policy in place that must be updated. The COVID Leadership met – there was a review of the changes to the policy given. Should the federal requirements change the superintendent will adjust the mask wearing. Should there be another surge the policy will be reviewed and updated. Dr. Goguen said that long with the policy we have COVID Protocols and Procedures, those have been updated and are in the packet for review.

MIAA is following the Governor’s lead and will not be enforcing masks for sports. It is noted that all teams must follow the school that they visit protocols.

Member Blythe asked if the attendance policy still stands, with COVID being an excused absence. Dr. Goguen replied that yes, that still stands.

Dr. Goguen said we are not changing our cafeteria protocols yet. We want to be cautious. Students currently face forward at PAE with narrow tables. Some have breakfast in the classroom, others in the cafeteria. Holding off moving the additional tables from storage at this time. At BHS the students are sitting forward. At WMS we have two cafeteria areas – the library and the cafeteria – both facing forward.

Motion: To approve the updated Mask Mandate Policy EBCFA

The motion was made by Member Adamopoulos

The motion was seconded by Member Blythe

The following roll call vote was taken:

5 members having voted in the affirmative

 members having voted in the negative

 members having abstained

The motion: X passed

 Failed

Chair Seddiki gave her sincere thanks to everyone that has had a hand in managing these past two years. The leadership has been instrumental in keeping our kids in school. Dr. Goguen said it is a team effort

VI. New Business

A. Approval of overnight field trip – DECA to Boston March 10-12, 2022

Dr. Goguen presented the overnight field trip – The DECA team (6 students) along with Mrs. Hoenig are requesting to attend the annual state competition in Boston March 10-12, 2022. They will be staying at the Marriott Copley. Students will be engaged in the competition with other students from across the state

Motion: To approve the overnight field tip – DECA to Boston March 10-12, 2022 as presented

The motion was made by Member Blythe

The motion was seconded by Member Adamopoulos

The following roll call vote was taken:

5 members having voted in the affirmative

 members having voted in the negative

 members having abstained

The motion: X passed

 Failed

IV. Adjournment

Motion: To adjourn the meeting at 5:13PM

The motion was made by Member Blythe

The motion was seconded by Member Adamopoulos

The following roll call vote was taken:

5 members having voted in the affirmative

 members having voted in the negative

 members having abstained

The motion: X passed

 Failed

Respectfully Submitted,

Lori Marrazzo

Documents included in the packet:

- Face Covering Policy EBCFA
- COVID Protocols and Procedures
- MIAA Masking Guidelines
- Field trip request form – DECA overnight in Boston 3/10-3/12