

**Appleton Area School District
Special Board of Education Meeting (Thursday, February 17, 2022)**

Generated by Clara Kopplinger on Friday, February 18, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 AM by President Kay Eggert at the Scullen Leadership Center, 131 E. Washington Street, Suite 1A, Appleton, Wisconsin.

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1. Meeting Opening

A. Roll Call

Members present: James Bowman, Kay Eggert, Deborah Truymen, Kristine Sauter, Edward Ruffolo, Amanda Stuck (virtual; 7:40 AM), James Bacon

B. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

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2. Approval of Agenda (GC-2: Governing Commitments)

A. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the Board Agenda as written.

Motion by Kristine Sauter, second by James Bacon.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Aye: James Bowman, Kay Eggert, Deborah Truymen, Kristine Sauter, Edward Ruffolo, James Bacon

Not Present at Vote: Amanda Stuck

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3. Public Input (GC-3.3: Initiate and maintain effective communication with the citizens.)

A. Public Input

B. On-site Speakers (Registration Required)

The following individuals addressed the Board of Education during On-site Public Input:

- 1. Rebecca Zornow (Appleton, WI)*
- 2. Julie Filapek (Appleton, WI)*
- 3. Tracy Buck (Appleton, WI)*

C. Virtual Speakers (Registration Required)

The following individuals addressed the Board of Education during Virtual Public Input:

- 1. Stephanie Marshall (Appleton, WI)*

D. Written Comments (Posted as Attachment)

Comments were submitted in writing for the Board's consideration.

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4. Reports (OE-8.2: Provide for the Board, in a timely manner, information about trends, facts and other information relevant to the Board's work.)

A. Superintendent's Report: The District Leadership Team will provide an update on COVID data, including staffing.

The District Leadership Team, with assistance from City of Appleton Health Officer Chuck Sepers, provided an update regarding pandemic conditions/activity within our schools and community, in relation to the current mitigation protocols, including masking.

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5. Board Business

A. COVID Mitigation Protocols - Potential Reconsideration of Mask Optional Date - for Discussion/Possible Action

Board Member Deb Truymen presented information she compiled regarding mitigation protocols, particularly masking.

(Original) Motion to approve reinstating the November 22, 2021, mitigation plan of optional masks/face coverings for elementary, middle and high school staff/students, the continued requirement of masks/face coverings for EC/4K students/staff and on public/school transportation, and a 2% threshold for positive student cases in schools to be used for requiring masks/face coverings for 14 days, beginning at 4:00 PM tomorrow (Friday, February 18, 2022).

1.

Motion to amend the original motion, changing the effective date to Monday, February 21, 2022.

Motion by Deborah Truymen, second by James Bowman.

Motion Failed

No: James Bowman, Kay Eggert, Deborah Truymen, Kristine Sauter, Edward Ruffolo, Amanda Stuck, James Bacon

2. *Motion to amend the original motion, changing the effective date to Monday, February 28, 2022.*

Motion by Edward Ruffolo, second by James Bowman.

Motion Carried

Aye: James Bowman, Kay Eggert, Deborah Truymen, Kristine Sauter, Edward Ruffolo, Amanda Stuck, James Bacon

(Amended) Motion to approve reinstating the November 22, 2021, mitigation plan of optional masks/face coverings for elementary, middle and high school staff/students, the continued requirement of masks/face coverings for EC/4K students/staff and on public/school transportation, and a 2% threshold for positive student cases in schools to be used for requiring masks/face coverings for 14 days, beginning Monday, February 28, 2022.

Motion by Deborah Truyma, second by Kay Eggert.
Final Resolution: Motion Carried
Aye: James Bowman, Kay Eggert, Deborah Truyma, Edward Ruffolo, Amanda Stuck
No: Kristine Sauter, James Bacon

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6. Future Meetings

- A. Special Board Meeting: Monday, February 21, 2022, 6:00 PM, Presentation of Superintendent Initial Candidates for Consideration - CLOSED SESSION
- B. Next Regular Board Meeting: Monday, February 28, 2022, 6:00 PM
- C. Board Work Session: Monday, March 7, 2022, 4:00 PM
- D. Board Meeting: Monday, March 7, 2022, 6:00 PM

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7. Adjourn

A. Motion to Adjourn the Meeting
Motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:47 AM.

Motion by Deborah Truyma, second by James Bacon.
Final Resolution: Motion Carried
Aye: James Bowman, Kay Eggert, Deborah Truyma, Kristine Sauter, Edward Ruffolo, Amanda Stuck, James Bacon