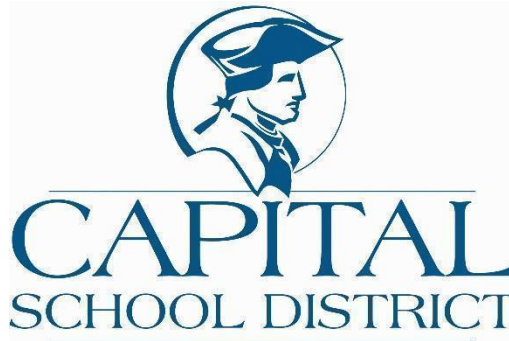


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Regular Board of Education Meeting

Virtual Meeting

August 6, 2020

Highlights of Meeting

Members present: Mr. Martin, Dr. Jackson-Short, Mr. Christiansen, Ms. Engel and Dr. DePrima.

1.01 Oath of Office - Dr. Anthony J. DePrima

The Oath of Office was conducted by President Martin to swear in Dr. DePrima for his five year term as a member of the Board of Education.

1.05 Reorganization of Board of Education (Resolution Nol. 21-021)

The board adopted Resolution No. 21-021 electing President and Vice-President for 2020-2021 as follows: Dr. Chanda Jackson-Short as President and Mr. Sean Christiansen as Vice President.

Other committee representations are listed below:

DSBA Board of Directors – Dr. DePrima

DSBA Board of Directors Alternate – Mr. Martin, Dr. DePrima

DSBA Legislative Committee – Mrs. Engel

DSBA Legislative Committee Alternate – Mr. Christiansen

Elizabeth W. Murphey School Representative – Dr. DePrima

Strategic Plan Strategic Intent 1 – Dr. DePrima

Strategic Plan Strategic Intent 2 – Dr. Jackson-Short

Strategic Plan Strategic Intent 3 – Mr. Christiansen

Super Senator Day – Mr. Christiansen

Calendar Committee – Mr. Martin

Student Success Guide Core Team – Mrs. Engel

Perkins Advisory Committee – Mr. Christiansen

Employee Recognition Committee – Mr. Martin

Wellness Committee – Dr. Jackson-Short

Teacher of the Year Committee – Mrs. Engel

New Middle Schools Construction Committee – Dr. DePrima

1.07 Public Comment

Dr. Henderson read public comments as follows:

- Crystal Tickner wrote regarding what the schools are doing about the access to para-professionals for children with Emotional Disabilities. Many children with different abilities need the consistency and ability to go into the school to learn. What will that look like for children with disabilities?

- Sarah Yatskevich wrote regarding her hope that Capital School District takes the route that will ensure students and staff are safe and feel valued.
- Janine Beatty wrote that she is hopeful the Board will make the same decision for the whole district so her children can be supported virtually by their teachers and administrators.
- Jennifer Hartnett wrote with a question regarding the hours students would be participating in virtual learning.
- Julie Jamerson wrote regarding her concerns of students returning to their classrooms and asking the Board to consider all aspects before making a decision for reopening schools.
- Cassandra Davis wrote regarding her concerns of students returning to school and the risk of exposure to COVID19.
- Lisa Ripoli wrote requesting more information as to what virtual learning would look like for the 2020-2021 school year.
- Mozella Kamara Richardson spoke asking if the reopening committees are looking at the needs of students (special needs, etc.) and using that to determine the number of teachers needed to service the population whose basic access to education cannot be provided in a virtual setting, using that information and hopefully surveying the teachers who are voluntarily willing to return to the classroom to establish a starting point for in-person during the 2020-2021 school year.

2.0 Consent Items: Personnel, Minutes

The board voted to approve consent items as presented.

3.0 Action/Discussion/Information Items (A/D/I)

3.01 Superintendent Search Update

Mr. Martin and Dr. DePrima received a report from John Marinucci, Executive Director of Delaware School Boards Association, which will be forwarded to all board members and will be discussed at the August 19, 2020 Board of Education meeting.

3.02 Senator Summer Boost

Mr. Dunford, Director of Instruction, presented slides highlighting the Senator Summer Boost program. [Senator Summer Boost.pdf](#)

3.03 Reports from Reopening Committees/Reopening Plan (Resolution No. 21-024)

Mr. Dunford, Dr. Brown, Mrs. Burgoyne, Ms. Cooke, Mrs. Schreiber, and Mr. Kuforiji presented reports from the individual reopening committees: [Final Reopening Board Presentation August 6, 2020 \(5\).pdf](#)

- Academics and Equity
- Health and Wellness
- Human Resources/Personnel/Hiring and Staff
- Operations and Services

The Board adopted Resolution No. 21-024 approving virtual learning for all students from September 8th through October 23rd with the board revisiting how students will continue their learning beyond October 20 at the regular board meeting on October 20, 2020.

3.04 Equity Core Team Report (Resolution No. 21-025)

The board adopted Resolution No. 21-025 approving the use of services of a facilitator to assist with equity work and conversations on multiple levels throughout the district, beginning with board

training, initial diversity training and ongoing diversity training annually, with continuing education forthcoming. [Equity Board Presentation 080620.pdf](#)

3.05 Revised 2020-2021 School Year Calendar (Resolution No. 21-026)

The Board adopted Resolution No. 21-026 approving the revised 2020-2021 School Year Calendar. [Capital School District Revised 2020-2021 School Calendar approved by BOE 080620.pdf](#)

3.06 Policy #500-28 Title IX Policy (First Reading) (Resolution No. 21-027)

The Board suspended the rules in accordance with Board Policy #100-25 and adopted Resolution No. 21-027 approving Policy #500-28 Title IX Policy to bring the district in compliance with federal regulations prior to August 14. [Policy #500-28 Title IX Policy.pdf](#)

4.0 Public Comment

Dr. Henderson read into record the following public comments:

- Abdul Kamara wrote inquiring as to the procedure the district is going to follow if a student goes to the nurse with a fever.
- Dennis Hallock, Sr. wrote requesting some data and additional information on the Summer Boost program, concerns regarding child care for parents and the possibility of after school programs, the value of substitutes in the district and hoping that the Board will continue to seek input from students, parents, staff and community members regarding school reopening.
- Mozella Kamara Richardson wrote regarding resources, book clubs and training available at the state level for equity through the Department of Education of Equity and Innovation

5.0 Adjournment

5.01 Adjournment

On a motion by Mr. Christiansen, seconded by Dr. DePrima, and on a unanimous vote, the meeting was adjourned at 12:10 am on August 7, 2020.