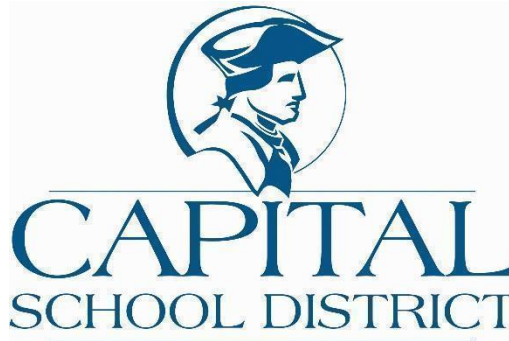


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Regular Board of Education Meeting

Virtual Meeting

August 19, 2020

Highlights of Meeting

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

1.04 Board President/Member Updates

Board members provided updates on attending meetings, community events, etc.

1.05 Interim Superintendent Update

Dr. Henderson:

- Congratulated Dr. DePrima on his election to the Board of Education
- Congratulations to the seniors who graduated in July.
- Design of the two new middle schools was approved by the Department of Education. Plans are moving forward.
- Discussed the devastation at William Henry Middle School caused by a tornado associated with the tropical storm that passed through on August 4. Progress is being made in clean-up and the district was informed the building is not a total loss. We are working through the process to determine next steps.
- Dr. Henderson and Mr. Kuforiji met with members of the William Henry Alumni Association and shared with them the process and necessary steps that are being taken to preserve William Henry as much as possible.
- Expressed thanks to members of the district's reopening committees for their hard work and dedication on focusing how the district should bring students back to school.
- Team Rubicon is in Dover and we thank the team members for their assistance with the cleanup due to the tornado.
- Reminded everyone to sign up for the 21 Day Racial Equity Challenge sponsored by United Way of Delaware the YWCA – several staff members are participating in this challenge.
- New Teacher Orientation began on Tuesday, August 18, with over 85 new teachers in attendance. The team modeled hybrid learning and used tools for hybrid learning, remote learning, and face to face learning.
- Expressed thanks to all of the parents who have reached out and responded to the district survey.
- Full administrative team met in person. Feels nice to be around people.

1.06 Presentations – Education Support Professionals of the Year 2020-2021

The Board and Dr. Henderson recognized the 2020-2021 Educational Support Professionals of the Year from each school/district office. They are as follows:

Booker T. Washington Elementary School – Rose Stayton

East Dover Elementary School – Rebecca Coffman

Fairview Elementary School – Tracey Hoopes

Hartly Elementary School – Mary Simpers

North Dover Elementary School – Timi Murray

South Dover Elementary School – Amy Henry

Towne Point Elementary School – Kathy Cagle

William Henry Middle School – Jamel Trott

Central Middle School – Christine Power

Dover High School – Jesse Gary

Kent County Community School – Maria Granitto

Kent County Secondary ILC – Vicki Reynolds

Mr. Jamel Trott of William Henry Middle School was selected as Capital's Education Support Professional of the Year and will represent Capital at the state level. [2020-2021 ESPs.pdf](#)

1.07 Public Comment

Dr. Henderson read public comments as follows:

- Heidi Maradagia expressed her concerns with students' schedules for virtual learning and the length of time expected of students to be working on their computers at home.
- Abdul Kamara wrote inquiring as to the procedure the district is going to follow if a student goes to the nurse with a fever.

2.0 Consent Items: Personnel, School Choice, Minutes, Field Trips, Student Disciplinary Matters

The board voted to approve consent items as presented.

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

3.01 Superintendent Search Update (Resolution No. 21-034)

John Marinucci, Executive Director, Delaware School Boards Association, discussed the RFP for professional services to solicit and receive proposals from search firms to assist in the search for Capital School District's Superintendent. The Board adopted a motion tabling Resolution No. 21-034 with the direction that the board set a date for a workshop and a separate board meeting on the same evening to be posted for Resolution No. 21-034 for proper vote. At the workshop, no action will be taken by the board. Action is expected to be taken at the separate board meeting which will be properly noticed and list Resolution No. 21-034 for action with a possible vote.

3.02 Senator Summer Boost Data

Mr. Montano, Mr. Dunford and Mrs. Schreiber made presentation of Senator Summer Boost Data which included: [Board Presentation Senator Summer Boost Data 2020.pdf](#)

- PreK-4 reading and mathematics scores
- English Language Learners data
- William Henry Middle School and Central Middle School comparison data
- Dover High School data
- Kent County Secondary ILC data

3.03 Mr. Kuforiji made presentation regarding damage sustained at William Henry Middle School as a result of a tornado associated with Tropical Storm Isaias which touched down on

William Henry/Booker T. Washington Campus on Tuesday, August 4, 2020 between 8 and 9 am. Booker T. Washington campus only suffered minor damage. Damage sustained at William Henry Middle School included: [William Henry Updates.pdf](#)

- ✓ Roof on the main Gymnasium destroyed resulting in water damage to the gym floor.
- ✓ Roof leaks from multiple wings resulted in significant water damage across the northern section of the building.

State Insurance Coverage Office is assessing damage to determine costs.

- ✓ Authorized water and debris clean up.
- ✓ Adjusters have inspected the building.
- ✓ Structural engineer has done an inspection and a report is forthcoming.

Fire Marshall deemed building unsafe for human occupancy and use.

Clean up has begun.

- ✓ Roof temporarily covered.
- ✓ Water and debris removal underway.
- ✓ State Insurance Coverage Office's determination on costs and repairs.
- ✓ Restore services (technology, power, water, fire suppressant) to KCCS.
- ✓ Staff/School Moves:
 - East Wing of Central Middle School becomes "home" for William Henry Middle School during the At-Home remote distance learning and hybrid approaches for teaching and learning.
 - Central Middle School occupies the main section of the CMS building.
 - Teachers in both schools are paired up in classrooms as their shared space location for providing distance learning.

3.04 Child Nutrition Budget 2020-2021 (Resolution No. 21-035)

The Board adopted Resolution No. 21-035 approving the Child Nutrition Budget 2020-2021. [Child Nutrition Budget 2020-2021.pdf](#)

3.05 School District Financial Position Report (Resolution No. 21-036)

The Board adopted Resolution No. 21-036 approving the School District Financial Position Report to be submitted to the Department of Education by August 31, 2020. [Financial Position Report template August 31st submission.pdf](#)

3.06 Related Services Delivery Proposal (Resolution No. 21-037)

The Board adopted Resolution No. 21-037 approving the Related Services Delivery Proposal which would allow students with disabilities to come into schools face to face to receive related services and supports such as physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech services, and psychological services such as assessment measures. [Related Services Delivery Proposal.pdf](#)

4.0 Public Comment

Dr. Henderson read into record the following public comments:

- Julie Eaby sent in a question: "How much will the RFP cost?"

5.0 Adjournment

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The meeting was adjourned at 10:24 p.m.