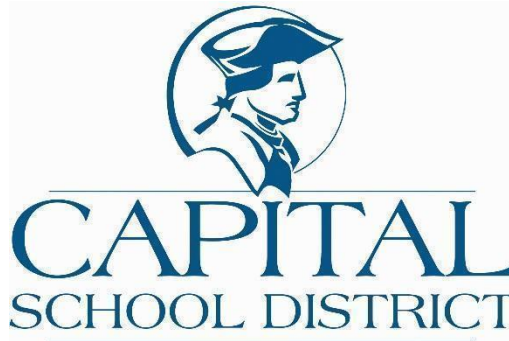


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Regular Board of Education Meeting
In-Person/Virtual Meeting
November 18, 2020
Highlights of Meeting

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:

- Great openings for Hybrid learning at schools with all hands on deck. Received a couple of calls from parents requesting more days for at-school learning.
- Visited all buildings, great feeling to be with students.
- Unified sports is doing great, waiting on the playoff schedule. Lady Senators DHS hockey team had a win against Caesar Rodney 2-0. Really nice to be on the sidelines.
- As we approach the holiday season, especially with the Pandemic, let us be mindful of the many blessings we have. Let's be glad that we are able to still connect with our students remotely and some in person.
- Hope everyone has a wonderful Thanksgiving and be thankful to be a part of the Senator Nation. Let's be Senators who show grace and kindness.

1.06 Proclamation – National School Psychology Week – November 9-13, 2020 –

Dr. Henderson read into record the proclamation recognizing the School Psychologists and thanking them for their dedication and efforts. [School Psychology Week November 9-13, 2020 Proclamation \(2\).pdf](#)

1.07 Public Comment

- Andrea Sergent and Andrea Ritchey – Dr. Henderson read into record a letter from Ms. Sergent and Ms. Ritchey, School Nurses at Dover High School, thanking Dr. Voshell, Principal, and Dr. Pinkett, Associate Principal, Dover High School, for their efforts in meeting the needs of all staff and students as they prepare to move into hybrid learning at Dover High School.
- Ann Harland – Dr. Henderson read into record letter from Ann Harland, teacher at Central Middle School, regarding her concerns of students at secondary schools returning to school for Hybrid at-school learning.

- Crystal Sheets – Dr. Henderson read into record letter from Crystal Sheets, school nurse at Kent County Secondary ILC, expressing her thanks to Mr. Holland, Principal – KCSILC, and Mr. Fuller, Associate Principal - KCSILC, for the preparations made in KCSILC regarding COVID-19, and Ms. Sheets is looking forward to seeing the students again as they come back for Hybrid at-school learning.
- Mallory Dill – KCSILC staff member, spoke regarding sending students back to school, with concerns about safety for students, staff and community.

2.0 Consent Items: Personnel, School Choice, Financial Reports, Minutes, and Student Disciplinary Matters.

The board voted (4/1) to approve consent items as presented.

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

3.01 Superintendent Search Update

Dr. DePrima, on behalf of Dr. John Marinucci, Executive Direction, Delaware Schools Boards Association, and Mr Martin, who have been collaborating on behalf of the Board, reported that the district received two proposals from Search Firms for Superintendent search. These two proposals will be reviewed early next week and Dr. DePrima and Mr. Martin will report back at the next board meeting regarding acceptance or repost.

3.02 Hybrid Update

Mr. Dunford gave a presentation regarding the families who chose in-person learning for students in grades PreK-4 and Special Programs that began on November 9, 2020 and on the numbers of students who have chosen in-person learning at school which will begin for secondary students on November 30, 2020. [Hybrid Update November 18, 2020.pdf](#)

3.03 William Henry Middle School Update

Mr. Kuforiji made a brief presentation concerning the issues in working with the State of Delaware regarding the damage to William Henry Middle School with highlights regarding final outcome of state insurance payment and the need for funds to cover necessary repairs identified beyond storm damage. [William Henry Middle School Update November 18, 2020 \(1\).pdf](#)

3.04 2020-2021 School Year Unit Count

Ms. Cooke presented the 2020-2021 School Year Unit Count numbers that will be submitted to the Department of Education. This year, the Unit Count began on October 29, 2020, closed on November 13, 2020, and changes can be verified until November 20, 2020. The Department of Education will then certify the unit count numbers. [2020 Unit Count.pdf](#)

3.05 Unit Count/K-3 Class Size Analysis – 14 Del. C. 1705A/Guaranteed Unit Count and 98% Waiver Request – Del. C. 1704(4) (Resolution No. 21-068)

The board adopted Resolution No. 21-068 approving waiver for 98% Factor – 14 Del. C. 1704(4) for Hartly Elementary School. [Class Size Analysis Waiver Request.pdf](#)

3.06 Board of Education Equity Training (Resolution No. 21-061)

The board adopted a motion tabling Agenda 3.06 Board of Education Equity Training until the December meeting.

4.0 Adjournment

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The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 p.m.