

**Seacoast Charter School
Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes
Thursday July 30th, 2020**

Members Present: Gretchen Carlson, Josh Roberge, Brianna Moynihan-Sienkiewicz, Theresa Lorvig, Mary Dellea, Kasey Bilodeau, Dan Bromberg, Chad Roberge, Jessica Foster, Dennis McCann (via zoom)
Meghan Samson (via zoom), Jess Pine

Call to Order: 6:05

Minutes and Correspondence

Josh makes a motion to accept the minutes from July 23rd 2020.

Kasey seconds

Roll Call:

Gretchen: yes

Josh: yes

Brianna: yes

Theresa: yes

Mary: yes

Kasey: yes

Dan: yes

Chad: yes

Jessica Foster: Not present at last meeting

Meghan: yes

Dennis: Not present at last meeting

Correspondence and Public Comment

1. A person urges the board to proceed opening fully remote
2. A person urges the board to proceed opening fully remote
3. A person urges the board to consider not requiring masks
4. A person urges the board to consider allowing the kindergarten class to follow a different plan than the rest of the school
5. A person urges the board to consider having siblings be part of the same cohort
6. A person believes the mask requirement will be a distraction for students
7. A person is wondering if there will be more virtual facetime in the remote model and also if there is space for student to come more than 2 days a week if a parents job is at risk otherwise
8. Gretchen thanks the task force for working so hard to come up with a plan, Jess Pine for organizing and the staff. She thanks the board as well as the community for the feedback which has been very helpful.

Re-Opening Plan Discussion

Framework is fluid

Space limitations in the building driving decision. Looked into hybrids models. Model chosen is for trimester one.

Phased in approach. See Framework document [HERE](#)

Theresa goes over the updates to the building for health and safety.

Jess proposes to take 3 professional development days offered by the DOE to use at the beginning of the year.

Josh appreciates the care that's been taken to create the framework.

Jess Foster asks if assignments will be coming back to school or submitted electronically within the hybrid model.

Reply is that both will be used and stresses the seamlessness of the platform being considered

Dan asks if cohorts will be separated. Reply is yes.

Dan asks if there will be two deep cleaning days per week. Reply is yes - always deep clean between cohorts.

Josh asks about the VLACS courses and why it is an option. Reply is that it is an option for all schools and funding is not lost if an SCS student uses VLACS. SCS recommends that SCS families engage in SCS' remote learning option.

Jess Foster asks if there is a policy in place for when a teacher is diagnosed. Reply is that SCS is waiting for medical base guidelines from the state.

Dan addresses mask wearing in the younger grades. Reply is that the level of comfortability for staff to come back mandates mask wearing.

What will be considered for coming back? Reply: health officials, other districts decisions, monitoring pandemic.

Will criteria be developed for monitoring when to shut done. Reply is yes

Dan asks if there's a way to bring remote learners togher? Reply is that this has been considered and depends on teams and grade level appropriateness

Josh asks for more details regarding the remote platform. Reply is that it depends on the team level. Given there is a remote teacher that will be dedicated to remote learning only this will be beneficial. There will be face to face time and more details will be forthcoming. It will be more robust than the spring. The remote teacher to student ratio is low at this point.

Jess Foster asks if previously assigned teachers will be the same. Reply is that it will be considered but may or may not be the same given the need to keep siblings together and the need to put remote learners with remote teachers.

Josh makes a motion to accept the reopening framework for SCS 2020-2021 school year.

Chad seconds

Roll Call

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Theresa: yes

Mary: yes

Kasey: yes

Dan: yes

Chad: yes

Jessica Foster: yes

Meghan: yes

Dennis: yes

Josh confirms that the three professional development days won't extend the school year.

Dan asks if teachers will need more professional development days aside from the three given by the DOE. Reply is that it is possible but unknown at this point.

Josh asks if the calendar could possibly change mid-year. Reply is that it is possible but unknown at this point.

Dan makes a motion to accept the 2020-2021 school calendar

Josh seconds

Roll Call:

Gretchen: yes

Josh: yes

Brianna: yes

Theresa: yes

Mary: yes

Kasey: yes

Dan: yes

Chad: yes

Jessica Foster: yes

Meghan: yes

Dennis: yes

Jess will be communicating all info to SCS families by 7/31/2020. Jess encourages all to reach out with questions or concerns. Jess is open to any avenue of communication.

Action Items

Create Health and Safety Policies

Finance committee will share a report

Next Meeting

Thursday, August 13th 2020 6:00PM