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Board of Education Meeting Transcription

7:02:08 PM Renee Kates: motion

7:02:09 PM Arlene Hussey: motion Yeah.

7:02:23 PM Renee Kates: I

7:02:23 PM Arlene Hussey: Hi.

7:02:24 PM Fiorella Muscia: All right.

7:03:00 PM Sean Wall-Carty: G

7:03:25 PM Stephanie Phillips: Thank you very much Debra. I made some suggestions at the last board meeting to improve communication between the district and the community and I'm sad to say that the website is still behind times and the most recent event there events back in April that are still being announced transcripts are two months old and the reports of meetings aren't posted. But anyway tonight I wanted to ask about Evaluating the homeschooling effort because I think only a couple of board members homeschooled their kids as suspect fiorello probably did and particularly at the elementary school level.

7:04:06 PM Fiorella Muscia: Let's go.

7:04:08 PM Stephanie Phillips: So to understand I couldn't hear but it doesn't. Yeah, but I think the Board needs feedback to understand what's going on from a number a large number of people. I know the staff and the teachers work very hard, but the question is how successful they were parents were

7:04:31 PM Arlene Hussey: successful

7:04:32 PM Stephanie Phillips: surveyed. And I got the survey and I think why like an example of a question was what worked for well for you overall is apparent on this online off-site platform. And as far as I know there wasn't a platform a lot of single platform. So I want to know what's the response rate to this questionnaire and what comments were made and regardless since most of the car the questions were open-ended. It's going to be hard to score. Quantitatively, but happily I heard that a survey also went out to teachers and they probably got a higher response rate who developed it. And is it can we see it? I sent the board members in email be scored quantitatively and I'll give you those examples not having seen the actual survey how many students worked with computers how many with the packets was both and neither how many teeth teachers called the parents to ask how things were doing how many students attend old attended the Google meats and what was accomplished in them how many teachers communicated via the class dojo class link Google classroom and how many used other media and how many didn't use online learning at all? How did the students hand in their work and what educational apps did the teachers recommend? And which ones do they students actually used and where they monitored by the teachers? Did the teachers describe the various recommended apps and give instructions on how to access them and how many questions do

the teachers and particularly Jane get about accessing? the did the teachers feel comfortable with the online learning and what training did they get and how much time did they spend working during that period as compared to if they were in the classroom and I'd ask them what the administration did that was helpful or not helpful during a shutdown and lastly. Of course. When are we going to see those survey results? So I appreciate your listening?

7:06:52 PM *Debra Barbiani*: Oh, yeah, absolutely. Dr. Katz is here as you know, he's hurt. Well, the board's heard your questions. Have you emailed the board or dr. Katz those questions that you just posed to us or no?

7:07:10 PM *Stephanie Phillips*: Yes, I did before the scheduled meeting last time so you should have those if you haven't looked at them.

7:07:16 PM *Debra Barbiani*: Okay.

7:07:16 PM *Stephanie Phillips*: These are the I may have made a few little modifications with basically. I was looking for things that that

7:07:20 PM *Debra Barbiani*: Yeah.

7:07:23 PM *Stephanie Phillips*: could be quantitated that you can give actual numbers.

7:07:27 PM *Debra Barbiani*: Okay. Okay. Yeah. Okay. So we have your information I did read that email, but I thought there was a couple other additional that you had added and that's why I asked so we will

7:07:37 PM *Stephanie Phillips*: No, no, I didn't.

7:07:43 PM *Debra Barbiani*: I can't you're breaking up. So what we'll do is we will review Katz about this and I know in the we'll talk to dr. near future there will be a report. I know the administration of dr. Katz are reviewing the survey results. So I thank you for your comment.

7:08:01 PM *Stephanie Phillips*: Okay. I just hope it'll be public.

7:08:04 PM *Debra Barbiani*: Yeah, okay. Thank you very much.

7:08:15 PM *Stephanie Phillips*: Thank you.

7:08:15 PM *Debra Barbiani*: Have a good evening next we're on to the superintendent's report. Dr. Katz.

7:08:22 PM *Ivan Katz*: Thank you.

7:08:27 PM *Debra Barbiani*: You're welcome.

7:08:27 PM *Ivan Katz*: We are very busy working on our reopening plans for the fall. We are very tight timeline that was given to us by the governor and the State education department. And basically that timeline has us submitting plans. To the education department and the

Department of Health on July 31st those plans have to account for scenario where we're fully reopened. Where we have a hybrid reopening meaning some students are being taught online While others are in person in school and scenario three, which is an online program. there The state document was 145 pages with literally hundreds of requirements along with the Department of Health, which also has a great number of requirements that we have to have in plant and place for the reopening plans. The governor is going to make a decision on reopening sometime the first week of August and that decision will then tell us what to expect he has shared the metrics that he's using for making his decisions. And that is if the infection rate is 5% or less or 14-day period is decision maybe for there to be in person education if the infection rate is 9% or higher he is going to keep schools closed. You also indicated that the decision he makes the first week in August and change before school begins depending on the course of the pandemic and the phase that various regions are in at the time that schools to open. We have conducted surveys of our staff. And of our parents our staff survey was completed sometime last week and I've been working on that with our staff. Our parent survey was completed this past Sunday and there are a lot of responses to work through. So we're working on those as we speak and I'm hopeful to have that completed in the near future. I will present the a summary of those results to the board at a future meeting once we have those and we're using the information in those servings to help inform our plans for the three scenarios. And we're also conducting our hiring for several positions that we still have to fill in. And that's pretty much it reopening has taken up the line share of everyone's time for lots of hours and it's a pretty huge undertaking and I'm very thankful for the support. I have from staff and board and and everyone involved in this it's a it's a huge Bank of undertaking and And it's it's the one that I wish we didn't have to plan for. So that's the report that was if you have any questions.

7:11:50 PM *Arlene Hussey*: Thank you.

7:11:50 PM *Debra Barbiani*: any questions Thank you. Dr. Katz.

7:11:57 PM *Ivan Katz*: All right.

7:11:59 PM *Debra Barbiani*: Okay, we're down to the next agenda item which is the administrators report and then we'll move on to our business Report with mr. Greco.

7:12:11 PM *Dan Grecco*: Good evening, everyone.

7:12:13 PM *Debra Barbiani*: Good evening.

7:12:14 PM *Dan Grecco*: This time of the year majority of our time is spent preparing for the audit field work for the audit is scheduled start Monday at the central business office in Liberty. There is an agenda item authorizing the superintendent to sign an agreement for municipal a heinous pay is the vendor. Our tax collection software is using to process credit card payments for the 2020 21 School tax season. The district's bank has Hudson will again process School tax payments for the district. I'll have a locks box for payment sent through the mail and taxpayers who wish to make payments in person can go to the Monticello Branch drive out to make their payments on a maintenance note the carpet installer install carpet next Wednesday and the frames for the cafeteria loading dock doors are here and the contractors are expecting the temporary steer steel doors to be here in about a week once they arrived. They will start to remove the old doors and install the new ones. Are there any questions? Thank you.

7:13:25 PM *Debra Barbiani*: Thank you, Dan. Okay, moving on. We're down to the minutes. May I have a motion to approve the minutes as presented?

7:13:38 PM *Arlene Hussey*: motion

7:13:38 PM *Fiorella Muscia*: second

7:13:39 PM *Debra Barbiani*: our Kathy any discussion on the

7:13:39 PM *Kathy Rappaport*: second

7:13:42 PM *Debra Barbiani*: Okay hearing none all in favor.

7:13:49 PM +1 845-\*\*\*-\*\*05: Hi.

7:13:49 PM *Renee Kates*: Hi.

7:13:49 PM *Sean Wall-Carty*: I

7:13:49 PM *Fiorella Muscia*: I

7:13:50 PM *Kathy Rappaport*: hi.

7:13:51 PM *Debra Barbiani*: Any opposed no motion carries. Okay, next agenda item is action items and we have a consent agenda. I'll need a motion to approve the consent agenda items one through

7:14:06 PM *Sean Wall-Carty*: Excuse me.

7:14:07 PM *Debra Barbiani*: through 19. Yes.

7:14:08 PM *Sean Wall-Carty*: Excuse me, Debbie. Could could we pull out items 12 and vote that separately please?

7:14:19 PM *Debra Barbiani*: weekend

7:14:20 PM *Sean Wall-Carty*: Thank you.

7:14:20 PM *Arlene Hussey*: What I am 12.

7:14:23 PM *Debra Barbiani*: Sarah so we can did you hear that? We can pull that out separately.

7:14:27 PM *Sarah Satz*: I will fix it on the computer after the meeting. So yeah, you just you pull as I did

7:14:31 PM *Debra Barbiani*: Okay.

7:14:32 PM Sarah Satz: no call.

7:14:33 PM Debra Barbiani: Okay. All right, so that okay. So we have a motion. So we have a motion to amend the consent agenda to remove items 12 out. So can I have a motion to amend the agenda? Jennifer second is Kathy and G

7:14:53 PM Kathy Rappaport: second Yes.

7:14:55 PM Debra Barbiani: discussion on the amendment? Okay, hearing no discussion. Let's vote on the amendment. All in favor, say aye.

7:15:05 PM Sean Wall-Carty: I

7:15:05 PM Renee Kates: Hi.

7:15:06 PM +1 845-\*\*\*-\*\*05: All right.

7:15:06 PM Jennifer Reinhardt:

7:15:06 PM Kathy Rappaport: Hi.

7:15:06 PM Debra Barbiani: Well suppose any opposed okay motion

7:15:06 PM Arlene Hussey: Why?

7:15:10 PM Debra Barbiani: carries. So now we will I'm going to take a motion to approve the amended consent agenda. So that's item one through it will be 18 because we remove 12 may have a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented in amended.

7:15:31 PM Kathy Rappaport: most

7:15:32 PM Jennifer Reinhardt: ocean

7:15:33 PM Debra Barbiani: Jennifer and Kathy is second any

7:15:35 PM Kathy Rappaport: Yes.

7:15:36 PM Debra Barbiani: discussion on the motion hearing none all in favor.

7:15:41 PM Sean Wall-Carty: I

7:15:42 PM Debra Barbiani: And he any

7:15:42 PM Fiorella Muscia: Hi.

7:15:43 PM Kathy Rappaport: I

7:15:45 PM *Debra Barbiani*: Okay motion carries now, we will do a motion. I need a motion to approve item 12 appointment of assistant superintendent for curriculum and instruction may have a motion.

7:16:05 PM *Kathy Rappaport*: motion

7:16:05 PM *Debra Barbiani*: It's Kathy Jennifer discussion on the

7:16:06 PM *Jennifer Reinhardt*:

7:16:09 PM *Debra Barbiani*: motion. Hearing none will do Sarah you wanted to roll call.

7:16:18 PM *Sarah Satz*: Yes, please.

7:16:19 PM *Debra Barbiani*: Okay. Alright.

7:16:20 PM *Arlene Hussey*: Debbie Debbie, I'm sorry.

7:16:24 PM *Debra Barbiani*: Yes.

7:16:24 PM *Arlene Hussey*: What would what was that on item 12. I don't have that in front of me. It's on my other computer.

7:16:28 PM *Debra Barbiani*: It's the appointment of the assistant superintendent for curriculum and instruction. So that's the new assistant superintendent that's being appointed.

7:16:38 PM *Arlene Hussey*: Okay.

7:16:39 PM *Debra Barbiani*: Okay, so now we're going to do a roll

7:16:40 PM *Arlene Hussey*: Yeah.

7:16:41 PM *Debra Barbiani*: call. So Jennifer.

7:16:44 PM *Jennifer Reinhardt*: No.

7:16:46 PM *Debra Barbiani*: Arlene

7:16:48 PM *Arlene Hussey*: What did Jennifer say?

7:16:50 PM *Jennifer Reinhardt*: No.

7:16:51 PM *Arlene Hussey*: No, let me think a minute. I'm a little foggy on this. I don't know my answer yet.

7:17:00 PM *Debra Barbiani*: All right. Fiorella.

7:17:03 PM *Fiorella Muscia*: You have to meet them. No.

7:17:06 PM Debra Barbiani: Yes.

7:17:06 PM Arlene Hussey: No.

7:17:09 PM Fiorella Muscia: My Revolt is now.

7:17:10 PM Debra Barbiani: Kathy

7:17:15 PM Kathy Rappaport: Could you come back to me in a minute?

7:17:18 PM Debra Barbiani: Sean

7:17:19 PM Sean Wall-Carty: No.

7:17:26 PM Debra Barbiani: Renee

7:17:28 PM Renee Kates: Yes.

7:17:32 PM Debra Barbiani: am I missing? Is Joe here?

7:17:40 PM Kathy Rappaport: Debbie yes.

7:17:42 PM Debra Barbiani: Yes.

7:17:43 PM Kathy Rappaport:

7:17:44 PM Debra Barbiani: Okay, I don't I don't see Joe collura.

7:17:51 PM +1 845-\*\*\*-\*\*05: Can you hear me?

7:17:51 PM Debra Barbiani: All right, someday I can hear you Joe. So you hear the did you hear the motion?

7:18:00 PM +1 845-\*\*\*-\*\*05: Yeah. Yeah, I did.

7:18:01 PM Debra Barbiani: Okay, and

7:18:03 PM +1 845-\*\*\*-\*\*05: I'm going to have to go now.

7:18:08 PM Debra Barbiani: okay. Okay. I'm going back to fiorella.

7:18:16 PM Fiorella Muscia: No.

7:18:17 PM Debra Barbiani: Okay, Jennifer you said no?

7:18:20 PM Jennifer Reinhardt: No.

7:18:21 PM *Debra Barbiani*: I'm sorry, Arlene.

7:18:24 PM *Arlene Hussey*: Okay, and that's tension is a no, isn't it?

7:18:30 PM *Renee Kates*: Yes.

7:18:31 PM *Arlene Hussey*: Hello.

7:18:32 PM *Debra Barbiani*: Yeah, I hear you. Would you like to abstain? Is that what your abstention?

7:18:39 PM *Arlene Hussey*: Is that comes in as no, right?

7:18:44 PM *Debra Barbiani*: Pretty much you're abstaining.

7:18:50 PM *Arlene Hussey*: I'm going to vote no.

7:18:54 PM *Debra Barbiani*: Okay, my vote is yes. Did I miss any board member? Okay, Sarah. Could you give the roll call please?

7:19:13 PM *Sarah Satz*: Ms. Reinhardt, no Ms. Hussy. No, Ms. Musha. No, Ms. Rapaport. Yes, Dr. Walcardi No, Ms. Kate's. Yes, Ms. Barbie Annie. Yes, Mr. Cooler. No.

7:19:26 PM *Debra Barbiani*: Okay motion.

7:19:31 PM *Sarah Satz*: fails

7:19:32 PM *Debra Barbiani*: fails motion fails All right. Moving down to other action items, but before we go, let's go down to other action items. So we have a resolution for counter clinks. I have a motion that the board approves the resolution for counterclaims as presented.

7:20:02 PM *Renee Kates*: motion

7:20:04 PM *Debra Barbiani*: Renee

7:20:05 PM *Renee Kates*: yes.

7:20:06 PM *Debra Barbiani*: second

7:20:11 PM *Jennifer Reinhardt*: a second

7:20:12 PM *Debra Barbiani*: Okay discussion on the motion. Hearing none all those in favor. Say aye.

7:20:22 PM *Sean Wall-Carty*: I

7:20:23 PM *Arlene Hussey*: I

7:20:23 PM *Kathy Rappaport*: I

7:20:24 PM +1 845-\*\*\*-\*\*05: Hi.

7:20:24 PM *Fiorella Muscia*: Hi.

7:20:25 PM *Debra Barbiani*: any opposed motion carries nose public recognition. We're moving down to board time. Does anybody with anybody like to comment on any board time tonight?

7:20:49 PM *Renee Kates*: well, I would like

7:20:49 PM *Fiorella Muscia*:

7:20:51 PM *Debra Barbiani*: Renee

7:20:52 PM *Renee Kates*: Yes, I would like to say that for the last two mornings. I attended the law conference that we usually spend eight hours on in one room. It was a very interesting. There are so many new things that we're going to have to be responsible for and but the presenters were very good and it was well worth the time too. To spend doing that so I did my little conference for the year.

7:21:25 PM *Debra Barbiani*: okay. Thank you for attending. Okay any other comments for board time?

7:21:35 PM *Fiorella Muscia*: Deb can I say something?

7:21:36 PM *Debra Barbiani*: Yes, you may.

7:21:38 PM *Fiorella Muscia*: I just wanted to clarify something that dr. Phillips mentioned my name earlier about me homeschooling my children. Just for the record pre prior to

7:21:47 PM *Ivan Katz*: skip

7:21:51 PM *Fiorella Muscia*: covid the pandemic. I did not home school my children my children attended the district obviously during the pandemic they were Online learning. I just wanted to clarify.

7:22:02 PM *Debra Barbiani*:

7:22:03 PM *Fiorella Muscia*: Okay.

7:22:03 PM *Debra Barbiani*: Yeah.

7:22:04 PM *Fiorella Muscia*: Thank you.

7:22:05 PM *Debra Barbiani*: Thank you for your Ella. Okay, alright and as far as committees, we haven't had any committee committee meetings currently, so we don't have any committee

reports to report on I know that if mr. Weiner was here he would be addressing buildings and grounds and you know, we would talk about that. There's no other board comments. I'm going to move down to old and new business and I believe I need to recite an oath of office. So let me do that. okay, so I'll raise my right hand I Deborah Barbiani do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States

7:22:53 PM Arlene Hussey:

7:22:54 PM Debra Barbiani: the constitution of the state of New York and that I will Faithfully discharge the duties of board president, July 1st, 2020 through June 30th 2021 according to the best of my ability. Thank you. Okay, moving down to Executive session. I would like to pull for an executive session to discuss the employment history of particular individuals.

7:23:24 PM Kathy Rappaport: motion

7:23:26 PM Debra Barbiani: Kathy have a second.

7:23:29 PM Jennifer Reinhardt: Beckett

7:23:29 PM Debra Barbiani: Jennifer discussion on the motion No discussion as far as action, I do not believe we will have action when we come out. So we will be going into executive session at this point. Thank you everyone for attending the

7:23:45 PM Ivan Katz: Hold on, we're gonna have to create

7:24:11 PM Debra Barbiani: meeting.

7:24:11 PM Ivan Katz: an executive session. So I'm gonna ask Sarah to do that and meet all of us to it and that will appear in your calendar and you sign in way to get the profession.

7:24:12 PM Debra Barbiani: Okay, great. Alright, so everybody understands just look for your invite in your calendar and then go to that link to get into executive session.

7:24:12 PM Kathy Rappaport: Do we turn this meeting?

7:24:14 PM Debra Barbiani: We're leaving this meeting.

7:24:21 PM Sarah Satz: Debbie may I have the motion one more time before you guys leave?

7:24:36 PM Debra Barbiani: Yeah, so the motion was to move into executive session to discuss the employment history of a particular individual.

7:24:40 PM Sarah Satz: And who was the motion and second

7:24:40 PM Debra Barbiani: It was Kathy and Jennifer.

7:24:40 PM Sarah Satz: that's all I need. Thank you.

7:24:40 PM *Debra Barbiani*: You're welcome. Alright, everyone.

7:24:40 PM *Sarah Satz*: almost ready

7:24:40 PM *Debra Barbiani*: So we'll see you in the executive session Forum. So just go into your invites in your email and you'll be able to attend that session and thank you everybody for attending the board meeting.

7:24:53 PM *Renee Kates*: Don't we need a motion to adjourn this meeting?

7:24:58 PM *Debra Barbiani*: We will adjourn it when we come out of executive session.

7:25:00 PM *Renee Kates*: Okay.

7:25:01 PM *Debra Barbiani*: Okay.

7:25:02 PM *Renee Kates*: Thank you.

7:25:22 PM +1 845-\*\*\*-\*\*05: Is there going to be a call in number?

7:25:26 PM *Arlene Hussey*: Yeah, how do I get into that?

7:25:33 PM *Debra Barbiani*: Sarah do you have the calling number that you could email?

7:25:36 PM *Sarah Satz*: Yep, I mean two seconds. I'll email it to everyone.

7:25:38 PM *Jennifer Reinhardt*: Okay, so we X out of this right?

7:25:38 PM *Debra Barbiani*: Okay, great. Yes.

7:25:41 PM *Jennifer Reinhardt*: Okay.

7:25:41 PM *Sarah Satz*: Yep, just stay in your email and I'll send it all to you.