

Members Present: Chairman Trina Comerford, Amber Burns, Brian Kohlmeyer, Dan Jones (via Zoom)

Administrators Present: Superintendent/Principal – Eric Milburn

Staff Present: (online) Dan Dugan, Glori Jephson, Alex Graber, Erika Willis

Visitors Present: Jessica Keene, Laura Kohlmeyer, Angie Bowers, Margaret White, Kellie Reed, (online) Star Johnson, Paula Van Beurden, Alisha Atha, Jessica Boone, Rachel Pelzer, Andi Jones, Amber

1. **Call to Order** by Vice Chair Brian Kohlmeyer at 6:00p.m.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. COVID Metrics – Eric Milburn presented what the new metrics are and what that means for reopening our school. We have to count Polk and Yamhill County numbers.

Both counties are under 100 cases per 100,000 and in the yellow zone. This is for test positivity and cases. We only have to use the metrics for our counties, not for the entire state.

We have been in contact with our Local Health Authority and they have given the go ahead.

Eric explained the documents and what they show. These are available on the school website and include an explanation of the color zones in the metrics, a flow chart of when students/staff should be excluded from school, and sample scenarios and what should be done in those cases.

The current plan is to begin with K-3 students in person. If that is effective over a period of time, we can add in more students. The “period of time” is not specified, but up to the district.

We will begin on November 16th with K-3 hybrid to get student acclimated. They will come two days during that week; either Monday/Wednesday or Tuesday/Thursday and then full time the week of November 30th.

If all goes well and the numbers hold, we will introduce grades 4-5 hybrid the week of November 30th and the grades 4-5 full time the week of December 7th.

Eric explained more about the cohorts.

These new metrics are in effect because the Governor and ODE determined that kids need to be in school. One of those key factors was the decrease in reported child abuse cases. The majority of cases came from school officials. Another key factor is the mental health of our students.

The local health authority will work with us if there is an exposure in the school community our county wide.

Brian Kohlmeyer asked if we count only the grades returning or the whole school when looking at numbers and it was clarified that we still count numbers school wide.

Eric Milburn discusses what the school day will look like. School hours will be from 7:45-2:15. This will allow for adequate cleaning time and teachers to support distance learning students.

There will be specific drop off sites to keep cohort sizes small and be sure there is no congregating. Students will be dropped off and go directly to their rooms. Maps will be shared with parents before they start in person learning. We know traffic will be a challenge and want to get that out to families as soon as possible.

Students will be screened when they arrive at school and bus students will be screened before getting on the bus. They will then be sent to their classrooms. Breakfast and lunch will be served in the classrooms. All meals are free for all students as part of SSO. Deliveries can still be made to those doing distance learning.

Elementary cohorts will include recesses, PE, and music.

We will ventilate the best we can. We ask students to dress in layers as we may have more opened doors and windows.

Masks are required for all students. If there is a medical reason a student cannot wear a mask, then they will have to wear a face shield. If they cannot wear either for a disability, then that has to go through their IEP. If a student refuses or does not wear an appropriate mask, they will have to do distance learning.

We are going to do our best offering elective courses. MS/HS students will remain on a 4 period day and each class is accelerated because of the length of time they are in class. They will receive .5 credit for each of these courses they pass.

Further discussion on returning.

K-3 asynchronous on 11/12 & 11/13 only. Then cohort A will return in person 11/16 and 11/18. Cohort B will return in person 11/17 and 11/19. The week of 11/23-11/26 will be virtual parent/teacher conferences and the Thanksgiving holiday.

K-3 will return full time beginning the week of 11/30.

Amber Burns asked when parents should bring medications in and Eric Milburn replied as soon as possible. By November 12th and the office will post that information.

Brian Kohlmeyer asked what the online students would be doing online until 2:15 and Eric stated that they will do various online programs that the teachers are using depending on their grade level and then their teachers will check in with them after 2:15 p.m.

There was an online question asking about 504 meetings that haven't happened yet. Eric Milburn said that if that is the case, you should reach out to Mrs. Henery.

Kellie Reed asked if MS/HS students would still be using Edgenuity and Eric said yes.

It was clarified that there will be no after school care this year.

It was clarified that students showing multiple symptoms or new loss of taste or smell should be excluded.

Dan Jones asked how recess will be handled with distancing.

Eric Milburn clarified that students will be kept in their own cohorts and will be kept at one grade level at recess as at a time. Staff on duty will be the socially distant police with admin supporting. Each cohort will also have their own materials and equipment.

Brian Kohlmeyer stated that he appreciates all the work and this is a benefit of being a small school being able to get students back in.

Trina Comerford thanked Brian Kohlmeyer for running the meeting.

Questions can be emailed to the board.

Meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.