

FOND DU LAC BOARD OF EDUCATION
72 West Ninth Street
Fond du Lac, Wisconsin
July 29, 2020

SPECIAL MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

A special meeting of the Board of Education via Zoom was called to order by President Jones at 5:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members present: Gedemer, Godfrey, Strand, Teifke, Uselmann, Jones.

Administrative Staff members present: Simon, Buchholz, Moder, Noonan, Seyfert, Snyder, Williams, Michalkiewicz, Kunstman.

**AUDIENCE TO VISITORS
AND DELEGATIONS**

John Nell, N5241 Oak Hill Rd, FDL: Grandson goes to Lakeshore. He asked about mask policy, speaking in favor of expanding the mask policy to all students to protect students and the adults that serve them, including bus drivers. He also expressed concern about students not having to help sanitize with harsh chemicals. He also spoke in favor of temperature checks.

Brittany Hoerth N7678 Red Tail Lane, Malone: She spoke of the negative effect that being home had on her small children when school and daycares closed in the spring. Virtual learning did not go well; her children did better when they got back to day care, with safety procedures in place. She mentioned how the parents and children have adapted to safety procedures. She advocated for 5-day in person learning for the children, for educational, emotional, and family impact reasons.

**CONSIDER APPROVAL OF
PROPOSED 2020-21 SCHOOL
YEAR PLAN**

Dr. Jones read a statement about the process and the many factors involved in crafting a school plan for this fall and thanked those who had reached out. She referenced the Bounce Back plan and current levels of COVID cases locally and statewide.

Board members discussed the Proposed 2020-21 Opening of School Plan presented by the administration on Monday, July 27, 2020.

MOTION BY Uselmann, seconded Jones the Board of Education approve the Proposed 2020-21 School Year Plan as presented. MOTION CARRIED, ayes six, absent and not voting one (Jurgella).

Mr. Teifke proposed an amendment to the plan after some discussion about the current one. The current plan has the

modified traditional in it; the question was how we determine what happens on September 1st. Current proposal was for blended for all students, the amendment being discussed would be to possibly have up to 5th grade begin in modified traditional, and the rest blended.

There was discussion of whether the plan could be amended to assert that certain groups open with modified traditional or not, and debate about what the public wants, and how they express that, and how to balance that with what experts suggest.

Ms. Simon stated that the plan can be approved, and further recommendations, such as who goes blended versus modified traditional, could be a second motion.

Mrs. Uselmann pointed out that an amendment to direct full opening for certain grades should include the caveat that the county phase is not worse than Phase 2.

MOTION BY Teifke, second Gedemer that the Board of Education direct the administration to open schools in a traditional modified format, with all 5th grade and lower attending full time, as long as Fond du Lac County metrics stay in Phase 2 or better. MOTION CARRIED, ayes four, nos two (Jones, Uselmann), absent and not voting one (Jurgella).

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF
66.03 INTERGOVERNMENTAL
AGREEMENT WITH THE
NORTH FOND DU LAC
SCHOOL DISTRICT

The NFDL School District would like to host the Treffert Center into the Children's Museum in Fond du Lac, which lies within the FDL school district, so it requires the board to approve. This agreement is only for one year. Gedemer asked if this was related to the hospital. Ms. Moder clarified that it's a separate entity.

MOTION BY Uselmann, seconded Teifke that the Board of Education approve the 66.03 Intergovernmental Agreement between the Fond du Lac School District and the North Fond du Lac School District for the 2020-21 school year. MOTION CARRIED, ayes six, absent and not voting one (Jurgella).

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION BY Strand, seconded Gedemer that the Board of Education adjourn the special meeting. MOTION CARRIED, ayes six, absent and not voting one (Jurgella). The special meeting adjourned at 6:28 p.m.