

Approved
Twinfield Union School Regular Board Meeting
Twinfield Union School Library
Tuesday, August 11, 2020
6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

6:03 p.m. Call to order by Patrick Healy

Board Members Present: Janna Osman, Manny Sainz, Jamie Spector, Lauren Cleary, Patrick Healy, Erin Barry

Administrators Present: Superintendent Mark Tucker, Principal Mark Mooney

Teachers: Chris Sheehan, Stephaine Ainslie, Krista Larrow, Thom Costello, Heather Flinn

Approve June 9th, 2020 Minutes

Approve June 23rd, 2020 Minutes

A **motion** to approve the minutes as written by Lauren Cleary and seconded by Erin Berry.
Motion passed.

Superintendent's Report – Still no resolution with billing from Washington County Mental Health during COVID spring shutdown.

Principal's Report – Principal Mooney and staff took the time to tell the board what the day will look like for a student in certain grade clusters. They were able in detail to outline the school day plan to the board. Twinfield plans to use outside space to have classrooms and have tented areas. Working a schedule that keeps students with their cohorts. Discussion on having tech students do remote learning after tech classes are done for the day. Currently has 8 swipe/no touch thermometers for health checks. Health checks will happen outside before they come into the building while the weather is good. Then make alterations when the weather is bad. Discussion on how to redirect younger students so that they stay socially distanced. Trying to have positive communications and promote the guidelines that will need to be followed. Promote a community of togetherness in this.

Cross County and Soccer plan to run in the fall at this time. Plans are still being worked out. During soccer masks will be required. Cross Country will have staggered starts.

Will there be mask free zones in the building? Trying to find spaces for that. Thoughts and discussions are still happening around this thought. Mask free zones will need extra cleaning after a student leaves that area. Outside will really be where students can have a mask break.

Putting boosters on the four corners of the building to help have internet service outside.

Question on how the overall mental health is for the teacher's currently? Start of summer anxiety was low, then it became high and now with plans being put in place, anxiety seems to be coming back down.

Discussion on substitutes. Talking about having 3 full time substitutes that will come to the building everyday and only work in that school.

Masks and shields are being provided for staff.

There will be a room used as an isolation room for a student that feels ill at school.

Discussion on what the student FTE looks like this upcoming year. A few students/families have opted to home school. Some families have still not decided on their schooling option. We do not have firm numbers yet for what the impact is on the budget. It was asked how many families have opted for remote only learning? To date 8 or 9 families have opted for all remote learning.

Discussion on each family doing a health check in the morning before they send their student to school. Not feasible for the SU to purchase thermometers for every student in the school. The schools do encourage, and the expectation is that families will do a health check each morning before their student is sent off.

Student Rep Reports – no report

Request by Association for employee's personal information – Discussion on what the Union is wanting to collect for information on each employee in the district. Currently playing out in a legal format what employers can and cannot release for information. Union would like to know the employee's deduction elections, personal phone numbers and email addresses. No action needed from the board; this was just information for the board to know what is currently taking place.

Next meeting is set for Tuesday, September 8th, 2020 at 6PM - Regular Board Meeting

Discussion on if board members will be going back to being in person. Points made on how logistically it would be hard with members of the public possibly attending. The technical aspects would be hard to figure out. At this point, staying as Zoom meetings.

A motion to adjourn the meeting by Patrick Healy and seconded by Lauren Cleary.

Minutes respectfully submitted,

Nicky Cole