

MSD of NEW DURHAM TOWNSHIP

School Board Work Session

Minutes of June 10, 2020

Executive Session: None

Those in Attendance:

Board Members

Karen Jedrysek
Lynn Wilson
Vicki Hannon
Mark Parkman
Wayne Hodge

Staff

Sandra Wood, Superintendent

1) Call to Order

Mrs. Jedrysek, Board President, called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m.

2) Roll Call

3) Fall Re-Entry Planning

The following is Dr. Wood's summary of the State's 38-page Re-Entry Guidelines:

Local Re-Entry Planning

- **Health Protocol and PPE**
 - (1) **Daily Health Reports**
 - (2) **Daily Screening of staff and students**
 - (3) **Modified clinic (nurse's office) procedures**
 - (4) **Procedures for Student and Staff Health Plans**

The mission of MSD of New Durham Township is to *Inspire, Challenge, and Educate!*

- Social Distancing
- Update Transportation Policies
- Update Technology to accommodate virtual learning
- Provide professional development to staff, students, and parents
- Update visitor and volunteer policies
- Plan for social/emotional support

Health Protocol and PPE

- Symptoms and scenarios for exclusion
 - (1) CDC guidance for symptoms
 - (2) Return to school following symptoms/exposure
 - (a) 10 calendar days from onset or doctor clearance
- Screening
 - (1) Self, school-based, or observational
- More leeway provided to ask questions about symptoms
- Masks
 - (1) Follow CDC and local guidance
- Clinical Space/Nurse's office
 - (1) Separate room for symptomatic students recommended
 - (2) Walk students out of building for pickup
- Establish staggered hand-washing times in daily schedules
- Water fountains should not be utilized
- Minimize exchange of items from home to school

Mitigation

- Mandatory reporting system for documented cases
- In the event of a positive case
 - (1) Recommended 2-5 day closure of building
 - (a) Reporting to local and state agencies
 - (b) Disinfecting of building
 - (c) Plans for contact tracing/further testing recommendations be implemented by health department

Social Distancing

- Explore options for programming alternatives
 - (1) Hybrid schedule with alternating days/times
 - (2) Year-round school with alternating breaks

- (3) Distance learning for secondary
- (4) Offer remote instruction base on student need or parent concern

- Explore options in classrooms
 - (1) Keep the same group of students in one room
 - (2) Close large communal spaces
 - (3) Re-organize large classes such as PE or band/choir
 - (4) Eliminate or re-organize assemblies, field trips, etc.
 - (5) Alternate recess sessions
 - (6) Rearrange desks in classrooms to increase space between and face in same direction.
 - (7) Move teachers from classroom to classroom instead of students
 - (8) Purchase additional supplies to prevent sharing or develop a plan for disinfecting.
- Explore options in cafeterias
 - (1) Eliminate self-serve
 - (2) Use all disposable materials and hand directly to students
 - (3) Use tape marks on floors for lines
 - (4) Limit cash transactions
 - (5) Prohibit food-sharing
- Limit congregating in one location
 - (1) Assign students to different entrance/exits
 - (2) Stagger start/release times
 - (3) Schedule all restroom breaks
 - (4) Use tape for all lines
- Support measures to assist with tracking cases
 - (1) Assign all seats
 - (2) Keep accurate records for attendance and visitors

Transportation

- Disinfect all buses prior to reopening and before and after each route
- Transportation employees should wear masks
- Physical barrier between driver and students is NOT allowable
- If a positive case was on a bus, wait 24 hours before disinfecting; bus may be used immediately after disinfecting
- Consider assigning seats on buses
- Consider social distancing

- Maintain consistent drivers for extra-curricular/athletic trips
- Provide appropriate training to drivers for disinfecting and symptom recognition

Extra-Curricular

- Three phase approach to reopening starting July 6
- All summer activities are voluntary
- Students and staff should wear masks when not engaging in rigorous activity
- Staff and students should be screened prior to participation
- Protocol should be in place for record-keeping of screening and attendance
- Social distancing maintained as much as possible
- Competition with spectators may begin after August 15

Additional Guidance from DOE

- Guidance coming on Friday regarding flexibility on instructional minutes
 - (1) Currently must have 5 hours for K-6 and 6 hours for 7-12
- Guidance coming on Friday regarding ADM funding
 - (1) Currently if 50% or more virtual learning, we only receive 85% of funding
 - (a) \$6106/student at 85% is \$5190/student

Our Next Steps

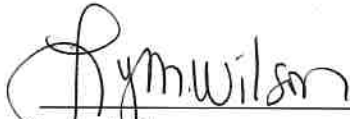
- DOE Guidance strongly recommends seeking approval from local health department for all decisions
 - (1) Meeting with all Superintendents and local officials within the next 10 days
- Parent and Staff survey sent out today--final data by Monday
- Forming a Re-Entry committee which will help to guide the development of the Re-Entry plan
- Final Re-Entry plan in July--may need special board meeting to approve


4) Adjournment

Mrs. Jedrysek adjourned the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

Next Regular Meeting Date:

Wednesday, July 8, 2020 - 6:00 p.m. in the Media Center


Lynn Wilson, Secretary


Date

