

The Soulard School
Board of Directors Meeting
10/15/20 held via Zoom
Soulard School

Board members present: Jay DeLong (President), Jamie Boyer, Steve Groves, Basiyr Rodney
Board members absent: Jim Holloran
New member present and voted in: Meghan Grubb

Staff: Sarah Christman, Eleanor White
UMSL: Bill Mendelsohn, Tad Hartmann
Guest: David Campbell, MD

Notes: Eleanor

1. Welcome, Intros & Opening Comments
2. Review and approve September meeting notes - approved (Basiyr abstaining)
3. School updates:
 - a. Reopening Plan
 - i. Bringing K-2 back in the building starting 11/9.
 - ii. 12 students choosing to remain 100% distance learning
 - iii. 1 teacher will remain teaching from home, and we are adjusting schedule/responsibilities to accommodate them.
 - iv. What if teachers are absent?
 1. Working to build sub list
 2. Will be asking teachers to have plans in place for subs to utilize
 - v. Review and approve Reopening Plan - approved unanimously
 - b. Nurse opportunity
 - i. ½ time position, funded by Children's Hospital Foundation
 - ii. Waiting for final approval - hope to start in November
 - c. SEMA offering free rapid tests to schools
 - i. TSS applied for tests, but will need nurse to administer
 - d. STAR assessments have been completed - still reviewing results
 - i. Shenika can discuss at future meeting - Nov/Dec.
4. Guest speaker: Dr. David Campbell, IFM Community Medicine
 - a. IFM Community Medicine
 - i. Partner w/ schools, shelters, etc. to bring healthcare services to underserved communities
 - ii. Medical director for 12 school districts including SLPS and SSD
 - b. Considerations for reopening: safety of students, staff, parents
 - i. For children, covid is "less important" illness
 1. Low hospitalization rates
 2. 100 child deaths nationwide, 0 in Missouri
 - ii. For staff/families
 1. Family considerations - underlying health conditions
 2. Offer options

- c. Consequences of not opening
 - i. Developmental, social, academic
 - d. Look at data: EdPlus collating numbers from city/counties/state
 - i. Key stats to track are 7 day rolling average cases, R0, positivity rate
 - e. Our plan appears to be consistent with other larger districts and within the medical recommendations
5. Proposed new board member - Meghan Grubb
 - a. Current parent and active member of Parent Diversity & Inclusion Committee
 - b. Motion to approve Meghan to join board - approved unanimously
 6. Homeless Policy review and approval - approved unanimously
 7. School Counselor/Social Worker to be designated Homeless Liaison - approved unanimously
 8. Monthly Financials & Register
 - a. Motion to approve- approved unanimously
 9. Proposed Board Development Plan review and approved - approved unanimously
 10. SEC fundraising update
 - a. Clovers & Stars - 11/7/20 - online music/dance event
 - b. Request board members to spread the word, bring in sponsors, consider making a donation
 11. Adjournment