

The Soulard School
Board of Directors Meeting
11/08/21, 5:00 held via Zoom

Board members present: Jay DeLong (President), Jamie Boyer, Meghan Grubb, Steve Groves, Jim Holloran, Pam Retzlaff

Board members absent: Ron Kampwerth (voting by proxy via Jay DeLong if needed)

Staff: Sarah Christman, Eleanor White, Shenika Bishop

Observers/guests: Amy Hemmer (parent)

Notes: Eleanor

1. Welcome (5:00)
2. Proposed amendment to the calendar - close the full week of Thanksgiving (add 11/22 and 11/23 closures)
 - a. Continue to offer conferences - virtual for elementary, mostly on Tues. 11/22
3. Public comment:
 - a. Amy: Concerned - kids should be in school and there could be further quarantines, etc that could disrupt student learning
 - i. Sarah - agree that being in school is important, but teachers are the ones that drive the classroom and have to be in good place themselves
 - b. Amy: Can't we have teachers just take more mental health days as needed?
 - i. Sarah/Shenika: Lack of subs - teachers taking personal days results in chain reaction of other teachers/administrators covering for them and spreading everybody else thing
 - c. Pam: Since SLPS is closed, charters would probably have lower attendance anyway
 - d. Steve: Would this affect snow days?
 - i. Sarah: No. Still have snow days built in.
4. Approved unanimously.
5. Adjournment (5:22 p.m.)