

BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING
NORTHERN CASS PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 97

Held via Zoom

Wednesday, August 5, 2020 – 7:00 AM

Meeting called to order by President Carlson.

Roll call - board members in attendance were Brad Bjerke, Susie Carlson, Sean Jalbert, Penny Johnson, Chris Murch, Todd Olson, and Lori Steffes.

Also present: Cory Steiner, Superintendent; Paige Carlson, Business Manager; Crysta Schenck, Elementary Principal; Doug Margerum, Secondary Principal; and John O'Day, AD.

Patron comments related to the Northern Cass Reopening Plan

- a. Renee Forde
- b. Mikaela Ecker
- c. Kristi Richman
- d. Justin Forde
- e. Jessica Regner
- f. Alyssa Danielson
- g. Margo Walter
- h. Britt Breiland
- i. Lyndsey Swanson
- j. Shawn Krinke
- k. Michelle Kyser
- l. Megan Engelke, Northern Cass Education Association

Dr. Steiner presented Northern Cass Reopening Plan as created by the committee of administrators, educators, and parents. Discussion was held by the school board members related to the Northern Cass Reopening Plan.

Moved by Steffes second by Johnson to approve the operational plan for maintaining health and safety as presented with changes to symptoms language to allow for parent input, need medical certification to be maintained on file, and a need for a medical professional to be in the building in the restart proposal – carried/ 1 no (Bjerke) on roll call vote.

Moved by Olson second by Murch to approve the transportation plan for maintaining health and safety as presented with the removal of the consequences related to removal of masks in the restart proposal – carried unanimously on roll call vote.

Moved by Bjerke second by Jalbert to approve the food service plan for maintaining health and safety as presented with the reopening of the commons restrooms in the restart proposal – carried unanimously on roll call vote.

Moved by Jalbert second by Olson to approve the general operations for maintaining health and safety as presented in the restart proposal – carried unanimously on roll call vote.

Moved by Murch second by Johnson to approve the training for maintaining health and safety as presented in the restart proposal – carried unanimously on roll call vote.

Moved by Bjerke second by Jalbert to approve activities plan for maintaining health and safety as presented with changes to locker room based on guidelines from the ND Department of Health and change the wording for the recommendation of spectators to wear masks at indoor events based on guidance from Region 1 in the restart proposal – carried (6 yes, 1 no – Murch) on roll call vote.

Moved by Jalbert second by Johnson to approve Appendix's 'A', 'B', and 'C' for maintaining health and safety as presented in the restart proposal – carried unanimously on roll call vote.

Moved by Johnson second by Steffes to approve Appendix 'D' (updated school calendar) for maintaining health and safety as presented with updates to the total learner hours calculated in the restart proposal – carried unanimously on roll call vote.

Moved by Bjerke second by Jalbert to approve Appendix's 'E' and 'F' for maintaining health and safety as presented in the restart proposal – carried unanimously on roll call vote.

Moved by Steffes second by Johnson to approve learning options for the 2020-21 school year as presented in the restart proposal – carried unanimously on roll call vote.

Moved by Murch second by Olson to approve the academic plan for special education as presented in the restart proposal – carried unanimously on roll call vote.

Moved by Jalbert second by Steffes to table the academic plans #2 for levels PK – 12 as presented in the restart proposal and propose a potential option for considered titled plan #4 – carried unanimously on roll call vote.

Moved by Murch second by Steffes to approve plan #4 as presented to the school board with the addition of a COVID steering committee that would meeting bi-weekly to discuss any changes if necessary and that high school educators would have the authority to require masks when social distancing is not feasible due to larger class sizes – carried unanimously on roll call vote.

Moved by Johnson second by Steffes to approve posting for level 3 and level 6 educators for the 2020-2021 school year – carried unanimously on roll call vote.

There was no motion or second to discuss the approval of the academic plan #2 for levels PK – 12 as presented in the restart proposal.

Meeting adjourned at 9:50 AM.

Susie Carlson, President

Paige Carlson, Business Manager