

# **BIG SPRING SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**Newville, Pennsylvania**

## **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE OF THE BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**MONDAY, MARCH 1, 2021**

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### **I. CALL TO ORDER**

The Committee of the Whole of the Board of School Directors for the Big Spring School District met through a Virtual Meeting in the Big Spring School District High School Auditorium at 7:00 p.m. with nine (9) directors present; William Swanson, President; Todd Deihl, Vice President; William Piper, Secretary; David Gutshall, Treasurer, Robert Over, Richard Roush, Alexis Hurley, Frank Myers and John Wardle.

Others in attendance: Richard W. Fry, Superintendent; Kevin C. Roberts, Jr., Assistant Superintendent; Robyn Euker, Director of Curriculum and Instruction; Richard E. Kerr, Jr., Business Manager; Cathy Seras, Board Minutes, Rob Krepps, Director of Technology and Darin Baughman, Multimedia Support Coordinator.

### **II. Presentations:**

#### **➤ Updates on Instructional Delivery Options**

- Dr. Richard W. Fry, Superintendent of Schools
- Dr. Kevin C. Roberts, Jr., Assistant
- Dr. Fry began with a COVID-19 Update at the state/regional and local level. The data is listed:
  1. Cumberland County Incident rate is 98.3 which is a drop from last week and the positivity rate is 5.9.
  2. Adams County incident rate is 116 and the positivity rate is 8.6.
  3. Franklin County incident rate is 78 with a positivity rate of 5.4.
  4. Dauphin County incident rate is 109 with a positivity rate of 9.1.
  5. York County incident rate is 105 with a positivity rate of 8.4.
- Dr. Fry continued with sharing the zip code data listed:
  1. Newville 7 Day Positivity Rate = 10.71% 7 Day Incident Rate = 52.78
  2. Carlisle 7 Day Positivity Rate = 38.16% 7 Day Incident Rate = 134.05
  3. Newburg 7 Day Positivity Rate = 9.09% 7 Day Incident Rate = 25.61
  4. Shippensburg 7 Day Positivity Rate = 14.41% 7 Day Incident Rate = 57.83
- Dr. Fry shared specific building data as of March 1st regarding confirmed cases and active quarantine cases.
- Dr. Fry communicated information on the CDC's indicators of community transmission.
- Dr. Fry shared the recommended mitigation strategies and K-12 learning modes.

- Dr. Fry shared the Elementary Transition timeline to Tier 3:
  1. February 19<sup>th</sup> K-12 Faculty Update
  2. February 19<sup>th</sup> Virtual Community Update
  3. February 24<sup>th</sup> through March 3<sup>rd</sup> – Opportunity for families to request a learning mode change at the elementary level.
  4. March 2<sup>nd</sup> communicate timeline and protocols to families via community video.
- Dr. Fry continued with sharing the secondary transition to Tier 3:
  1. Review elementary process and engage in a similar timeline.
  2. Goal would be to transition in early April.
  3. Transportation redesign.
  4. Scheduling adjustments for the final marking period.
  5. Status of Vo-Tech
  6. March 2<sup>nd</sup> update to families via community video.
- Dr. Roberts shared his thoughts regarding the safe guards that will be in place for the students and staff when they return face to face.

### **III. Preview of the Agenda**

President Swanson requested that the Board address XII. NEW BUSINESS PERSONNEL CONCERNS and combine Items A through H into one motion.

### **IV. BUILDING & PROPERTY COMMITTEE**

No discussion

### **V. FINANCE COMMITTEE**

No discussion

### **VI. DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE**

No discussion

### **VII. BOARD POLICY**

No discussion

### **VIII. ITEMS FROM FLOOR**

No discussion

### **IX. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Deihl, seconded by Gutshall to adjourn into Executive Session.

Roll call vote: Voting Yes: Swanson, Deihl, Gutshall, Wardle, Over, Piper, Roush, Hurley and Myers.

Motion carried unanimously. 9 -0

Motion by Deihl, seconded by Gutshall to adjourn the Committee of the Whole Meeting.

Roll call vote: Voting Yes: Swanson, Deihl, Gutshall, Wardle, Over, Piper, Roush, Hurley and Myers.

Motion carried unanimously. 9 -0

The Committee of the Whole meeting adjourned at **7:24 p.m.**

  
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