

## School Board Minutes

September 4, 2021

Members Present: K. Denzer, N. Donnay, R. Hajlo, D. Keyes, J. Langfield, A. Melendres, S. Mueller

Board Advisors Present: J. Gutierrez, K. Gutierrez

## <u>Call to Order</u>

R. Hajlo called the board meeting to order at 9:00 am.

## K-8 Masking Motion

Motion to require a mask mandate for K-8 students and staff working with them, during their time indoors at St. Croix Prep: S. Mueller Second: D. Keyes

There was discussion. Statements made by N. Donnay, D. Keyes, S. Mueller, R. Hajlo

Motion to call the question: D. Keyes Second: R. Hajlo In Favor: D. Keyes, R. Hajlo, S. Mueller, N. Donnay Opposed: K. Denzer, J. Langfield, A. Melendres

There was discussion if a motion to call the question requires a supermajority. There was further discussion.

Statement made by A. Melendres.

Motion to amend the required mask mandate K-8 but to allow exceptions for medical, religious and conscientious exemptions: A. Melendres

J. Langfield read the current face covering policy. There was discussion. A. Melendres withdraws his motion.

J. Langfield makes a motion that before our September meeting we move to a committee of the whole to include legal, Candace, and experts as needed to align on strategy and execution as it concerns masking and quarantine.

There was discussion. J. Gutierrez reminded the board that there is already a board appointed Covid Response Team.

Motion to return back to the original motion: J. Langfield Second: A. Melendres In Favor: D. Keyes, R. Hajlo, S. Mueller, N. Donnay, A. Melendres

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Opposed: K. Denzer, J. Langfield

K. Denzer put forth a friendly amendment to the motion that the K-8 mask mandate expires 60 days after kids under 12 are eligible for the vaccine; once expired, the masking mandate would change from required to strongly recommended. Second: D. Melendres

There was discussion.

Approved: All

## Adjourn Meeting

Motion to adjourn at 10:10 am: D. Keyes Second: R. Hajlo In Favor: K. Denzer, D. Keyes, R. Hajlo, S. Mueller, N. Donnay Opposed: J. Langfield Abstain: A. Melendres

Submitted by S. Peterson, St. Croix Preparatory Academy