

Meeting Minutes August 3, 2020

Location: Zoom meeting

Attendees:

Michael Shoaf, Superintendent Jennifer Norman, Executive Director Bryan Drost, Technology Director Ruth Beach, BOE Representative Rob Winton, RRHS Principal Brian Gergely, RRHS Asst. Principal Megan Rose, RRMS Principal Carol Rosiak, GPS Principal Tara Zbin, RRECC Principal Leslie Rossi, Executive Secretary Aaron Lenart, Fire Dept George Eversman, medical professional Jenny Saab, PTA Lori Brant, Booster Co-President Margie Hackett, PTA Meghan Hazra, medical professional Kelly Frindt, PTA

Elizabeth Anderson, Assistant Superintendent Sam Gifford, Executive Director Greg Murphy, Communications Director Addie Olander, BOE Representative Heath Horton, RRHS Asst. Principal Mark Wagner, Athletics/Activities Director Tina Wasserbauer, Nutrition Services Supervisor Robert Hazeldine, Union President Erin Peacock, Transportation Supervisor Christopher Camp, School Resource Officer Dave Opdycke, Union President Lynne Eversman, medical professional Lindsay Barbicas, PTA Mandy Smith, PTA Megan Alexander, PTA Michael Coyne, Saber Health Group William Blough, RREF President

Purpose

The purpose of the Steering Committee is to create a plan that the Rocky River City School District can present to the County Board of Health and Board of Education for reopening the school district in the Fall of 2020.

Re-Opening Guidance

Dr. Shoaf shared information regarding:

- Board of Health's recommendation to open remotely
- Board of Health will not approve reopening plans but will review and give recommendations
- RRCSD will move from the red model to hybrid as quickly as possible (will not be overnight)
- Seeking clarity from the Board of Health re athletics/activities

Board of Health decision based on regional cases; Cuyahoga County stats, not Rocky River

Breakout groups to discuss:

- 1. Reopening plans to be shared with the Board of Health
- 2. Board of Health recommendation to open remotely
- 3. Athletics/Activities

Ms. Anderson's group:

- Group liked the reopening plans; suggested that we include the experts who assisted with the plan
- Board of Health recommendation to open remotely is not looking at the mental health aspect

Mr. Greg Murphy's group:

- Group liked the reopening plans
- Rocky River numbers not considered by the Board of Health
- Students should practice in cohorts; teams should be shut down if there are positive cases

Mr. Winton's group:

- Mr. Wagner shared an update regarding sports
- Getting contradictory guidance regarding athletics/activities from the county and state

Ms. Norman's group:

- Liked the reopening plans
- What causes the Board of Health to recommend vs. mandate
- Suggested allowing kindergarteners to meet teachers and see classrooms since school is new for them

Healthcare updates

Ds. Lynne Eversman shared:

- Hotspots moving into Northwest part of country
- Nationwide deaths are 1,000+ for past 6 days
- Swedish school that didn't shut down is showing high spread
- Mutation in U.S. may be carried more heavily by kids
- When schools closed, there was 62% less infection
- Georgia summer camp: campers had to test negative before arriving, positive cases spread throughout
- Individuals who tested positive may have long lasting health conditions such as heart damage, clotting problems
- 30% of COVID patients in ICU had significant clotting issues

Upcoming Meeting

Monday, August 17, 2020, 5 pm, Rr 20/20 Vision Committee Meeting