

HOLY FAMILY BOARD OF EDUCATION
MEETING MINUTES

Special Meeting

October 26, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. - virtual

(*Unapproved)

I. Call to order

A. Prayer: Maria

B. Roll Call

Board Members: Priya Felling, Joe Stangler, Vicki Winkels, Karla Zierden, Ben Mergen, Rebecca Wohletz, Aaron Goebel, Fr. Edward, Maria Heymans-Becker

Present: *Priya Felling, Joe Stangler, Vicki Winkels, Karla Zierden, Ben Mergen, Rebecca Wohletz, Goebel, Fr. Edward, Maria Heymans-Becker*

Absent:

II. Recommended Actions

A. Routine Matters

1. Approval of the Agenda: *Priya approved the agenda and Joe seconded it.*

B. New Business

1. Update on current COVID cases in Stearns County, Albany School District, & HFS: *Albany has had the highest number for the last two weeks. Luckily, not at HFS. It's spreading due to general community contact-not just in school. Absentees have come from students who needed to quarantine. Following the projections pretty close as they have been pretty accurate. 75% or higher requires distance learning. Middle school and Highschool are set to dist. Learn starting Nov. 10th.*

2. Discuss options for future learning models based on data: *Taking it week by week. Thus far, have not ended any extra subs to cover teachers' absences. We should have subs in place if needed. Majority of the teaching staff are comfortable with continuing to teach in person as we have been doing. Teaching are posing we possibly switch to a 4 day school day in the future if needed. Discussed bussing and if we have a lot of students utilizing it. Approx. 15 students still use that transportation option. Of that 15, a few mentioned they could find an alternative way to get students here. If we had a full child care program we*

would need to hire 2-3 more staff to meet requirements. Priya posed a question as to what is our comfort level to when we call distance learning? Just need to review each projection and take each week safe as we can. Vicki posed question- does the CDC have a formula to know how many positive cases require immediate closure of school and go to distance learning-- Maria will look into. Vicki made motion to keep students in the in-person model as long as our numbers stay low and that we have adequate equipment/resources, and staff to continue. Rebecca seconded it. Maria is also looking into if kindergarten can also stay in-person if older grades need to go to distance learning.

3. Share staff's input on comfort level of continuing In-Person Learning: *In combo with B-2.*

4. Offer new survey to HFS families seeking input for continuing In-Person Learning: *Discussed what we wanted to send to families to ensure we got the proper and accurate info-nothing too long winded or confusing. Maria would send out later in the week.*

C. Board Reminder

*You will be receiving a call from an accreditation staff person next Wed., Nov. 4 or Thur., Nov. 5 during our 2-Day Accreditation Renewal Team Visit. Please review the 3-ring accreditation binder. Thank you for your support in this process! *Be ready for the phone call board members :)*

Adjourn: 7:54pm Joe made motion and Aaron seconded it.

III. Next Regular Board meeting: Mon., November 9– 6:30 p.m.