



Minutes of the Emergency Board of Control Meeting
held Wednesday, July 22, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.
Virtual Meeting

Acting Chair Jay Streicher called the meeting to order.

The following members were present:

Leland:	Mrs. Jodi Moore
Newark:	Mrs. Amy Smith
	Mrs. Jean Fletcher
Plano:	Ms. Tracy Thurwanger
Sandwich:	Mr. Rick Schmitt
Serena:	Mr. Spencer Byrd
Somonauk:	Mr. Jay Streicher
	Mr. Norm Johnson
Yorkville:	Dr. Tim Shimp

The following were absent:

Earlville:	Mr. Rich Faivre
	Mr. Jeff Maly
Hinckley-Big Rock:	Dr. Travis McGuire
	Mrs. Joan Umano
Indian Creek:	Mr. Chad Willis
Leland:	Mrs. Sara Miller
Plano:	Mr. Kyle Klatt
Sandwich:	Mr. Dave Stahl
Serena:	Mrs. Susan McNelis
Yorkville:	Mr. Jason Senffner

DRAFT OF FALL SCHEDULES

Mr. Barbic brought a proposal of three drafts to the Board of Control for their consideration. He said these drafts were designed with the mandates in mind that were put forth by the CDC, IDPH and ISBE, as well as each district's plans. He said he appreciated working with each district superintendent or district designee in order to put together a plan that takes the health and safety of IVVC students and staff into consideration.

Draft 1

Full attendance by all students on a daily basis. Currently, two of our ten sending schools report they will begin the fall semester in a full day, every day model as in pre-Covid years. In this model, it would not be possible for every student to maintain the six foot social distance guideline in all areas of IVVC. Also, a concern has been raised by a board member about cross pollination of students from multiple districts.

Draft 2

Blended learning, using an A/B schedule. High priority would be given to hands-on experience and lab setting learning. This would include five days of on-site learning every two weeks and a minimum of five hours of remote learning outside of the classroom each week.

A proposed spreadsheet, listing every district (organized to reflect the Governor's zones), was presented to the Board. In the event a given zone moves back into Phase 3, 2 or 1, we would have the ability to utilize full remote learning with those specific students without having to change the format of the other sessions.

The A/B sessions would meet in the a.m. and p.m. daily with driving privileges extended to students with home school permission.

Mrs. Edwards noted that this plan would give our teachers the opportunity to train the students well for remote learning, the ability to troubleshoot any potential problems and provide hard copy handouts as needed, guaranteeing the continuity of learning. The five hours of assigned remote learning each week will not have a specific time attached to it, but a deadline for submission. That way, we are able to meet the students where they are at their best.

Mr. Barbic said that any guest speakers in the classroom would be recorded and added to Google classroom so those students not in attendance that day will have access to everything going on in the classroom.

Draft 3

Full remote learning, with no students physically attending IVVC. Mr. Barbic presented the Board with IVVC's Remote Learning Plan for the Fall of 2020 and outlined the following points:

- Purpose
- Timing
- Communication/Availability
- Attendance
- General Expectations
- Support
- Training
- Notice

This plan was developed with input from our Teacher Leadership Committee and feedback from surveys of the Spring Remote Learning Plan.

Mr. Barbic recommended Draft 2 as the best option under current circumstances. This plan prioritizes the hands-on and lab experiences, while optimizing the health and safety of the students and staff. The students will participate in remote learning on their non-attendance days, thus preparing them in case a second wave hits and all students need to return to remote learning. There is a 90 minute block in the middle of the day, so the entire building can be sanitized and cleaned before the next group of students arrive.

Several board members thanked Mr. Barbic and Mrs. Edwards for their hard work to develop these plans and appreciated their efforts to meet all of the needs and keep everyone safe.

The Board of Control agreed that blended learning with A/B days is the best option for the Fall of 2020 and instructed Mr. Barbic to move forward and implement the Draft 2 plan.

The timeframe of the A/B plan is expected to last through the first semester or until there is a change to Phase 3 or Phase 5. Mr. Barbic said they will continually re-evaluate this process so that students remain fully engaged.

CALENDAR CHANGES

Mr. Barbic asked each district to communicate their first day of student attendance. IVVC's first day of student attendance is set for Monday, August 17, but it is subject to change based on home school decisions.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Barbic informed the Board that it has been past practice for IVVC to allow enrollment from home school students, as well as other private and public institutions. This year, five Parkview Christian students are enrolled. Mr. Barbic spoke with Dr. Ray Epperson, Parkview Christian's superintendent regarding their policy of optional face masking at while at school. Dr. Epperson stated, "Our Board decided to make masks optional in order to give flexibility to our families." He also said that Parkview students would observe all rules and mandates put forth by IVVC while in attendance. Mr. Barbic asked the Board for their thoughts and several concerns arose about exposure and liability. Mr. Barbic was instructed to seek legal counsel before a decision could be made.

CLOSED SESSION

Mrs. Fletcher moved and Mr. Streicher seconded the motion to go into Closed Session at 7:10 p.m. to discuss the appointment, employment, reassignment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees of the public body. All ayes. The motion passed by unanimous consensus.

OPEN SESSION

Mr. Streicher moved and Mrs. Fletcher seconded the motion to return to Open Session at 7:25 p.m. All ayes. The motion passed by unanimous consensus.

MOTION RESULTING FROM CLOSED SESSION

Mr. Streicher moved and Mr. Byrd seconded the motion to approve Joe Barbic's contract with recommended changes. Roll call was taken. All ayes. The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Shimp moved and Mr. Byrd seconded the motion to adjourn at 7:29 p.m. The next Board of Control meeting will be held **Wednesday, August 5, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.** in the CNA classroom.

Respectfully submitted,



Carla Gibbs
Recording Secretary

APPROVED:



Chair, Board of Control