



Minutes of the Emergency Board of Control Meeting  
held Monday, November 23, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.  
Virtual Meeting

Chair Jodi Moore called the meeting to order.

The following members were present:

Earlville:	Mr. Rich Faivre
Hinckley-Big Rock:	Dr. Travis McGuire
Leland:	Mrs. Jodi Moore
	Mrs. Sara Miller
Newark:	Mrs. Amy Smith
Sandwich:	Mr. Rick Schmitt
Serena:	Mrs. Susan McNelis
Somonauk:	Mr. Jay Streicher
Yorkville:	Dr. Tim Shimp
	Mr. Jason Senffner

The following were absent:

Earlville:	Mr. Jeff Maly
Indian Creek:	Mr. Chad Willis
Newark:	Mrs. Jean Fletcher
Plano:	Mr. Tony Baker
	Mr. Kyle Klatt
Sandwich:	Mr. Dave Stahl
Serena:	Mr. Spencer Byrd
Somonauk:	Mr. Norm Johnson

DEKALB COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION OF ADAPTIVE PAUSE

Mr. Barbic said that the DeKalb County Health Department has issued a recommendation that all school districts within the county institute an “adaptive pause” through this holiday season as an effort to mitigate the spread of COVID-19. The recommended time frame for this adaptive pause begins November 30 and extends through January 18. The language also states “We are making the recommendation for local school board consideration due to the increase in local COVID-19 cases, local hospital utilization, the assumption that families will gather with family members outside of their immediate household, and an overall increased risk of transmission in the community.”

Mr. Barbic contacted Mr. Pete Wilson, IVVC's legal counsel, for his recommendation. Mr. Wilson said that "While the recommendation/request of the DeKalb County Health Department is not mandatory, and the Board has the option of keeping school open, my recommendation as an attorney is to comply with the request."

Mr. Barbic also reached out to Mrs. Linda Hays from Ramza Insurance Group, IVVC's insurance carrier. Her reply was "As long as IVVC closely follows the recommendation of the CDC, IDPH, and the State of Illinois for health and safety, IVVC will remain covered for in person instruction during the DeKalb County Health Department's adaptive pause. If remote learning is mandated by the State of Illinois, IVVC must move to remote instruction in order to be covered."

Of the ten sending districts, Mr. Barbic said that Earlville, Hinckley-Big Rock, Indian Creek, Plano, Sandwich and Somonauk will move to full remote instruction from November 30, 2020 - January 18, 2021. He said that all of the DeKalb County schools will observe the adaptive pause as recommended by the health department.

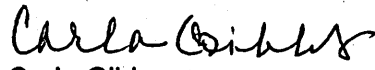
After some discussion, Dr. McGuire moved and Mr. Faivre seconded the motion to confirm Indian Valley Vocational Center's compliance with the DeKalb County Health Department's recommendation of an adaptive pause from November 30, 2020 through January 18, 2021. Roll call was taken. Six ayes and two nays. The motion passed six to two.

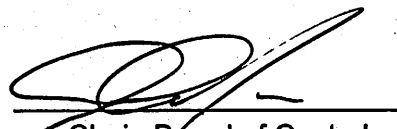
**OTHER BUSINESS**

Mrs. Amy Smith announced that effective January 1, 2021, Dr. Ed Boswell will be the new superintendent for Newark Community High School District #18 upon her retirement. He currently works for the Illinois State Board of Education and lives in Channahon. His email address is [eboswell@nchs18.org](mailto:eboswell@nchs18.org).

Dr. McGuire moved and Mr. Streicher seconded the motion to adjourn at 7:00 p.m. The next Board of Control meeting will be held virtually on **Wednesday, December 2, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

  
Carla Gibbs  
Recording Secretary

APPROVED:   
Chair, Board of Control