

MINUTES

NORTH STAR

GOVERNING BOARD

MARCH 31, 2020

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Balch at 12:01 pm. Directors Balch, Dukelow, Dumas, Silver, Forman and Russell were in attendance via Zoom Meet. Director Lloyd was not present.

Melissa Andersen, Shay Davis, Will Bogdanoff, Joanna O'Donnell, Joe Borton and Eric Dickelman were also present during the Zoom Meet.

**Motion to approve the Agenda by Director Dukelow. Second by Director Forman. All in favor. Motion passes.**

In-service Date Change

**Motion to ratify the decision to change the In-Service date from April to March 30, 2020 by Director Russell. Second by Director Silver. All in favor. Motion passes.**

The request to change the date of the In-Service came from NSAT to Chairman Balch who approved the decision allowing NSAT to meet with their teachers in order to further help with remote learning.

State Board April 20, 2020 School Closure

**Motion to ratify the state decision for school closure by Director Forman. Second by Director Dumas. All in favor. Motion passes.**

Discussion included the suggestion that the Chairman of the Board be permitted to comply with the State Board decisions without needing to call an Emergency/Special Board Meeting.

**Motion to approve that the chairperson has ability to comply with State Board decisions without needing to call a Board Meeting by Director Russell. Second by Director Dukelow. All in favor. Motion passes.**

FFCRA Policy Changes

**Motion to approve policy changes for FFCRA are adopted until Dec 31, 2020 by Director Dumas. Second by Director Forman. All in favor. Motion passes.**

Election Timeline Revision

**Motion to ratify the adjusted dates on the Election Timeline by Director Russell. Second by Director Forman. All in favor. Motion passes.**

Chairman Balch approved the changes after the last meeting due to the COVID 19 response. The previous dates would have required the election process to start while everyone is focused on COVID 19 and adjusting to remote learning. The new dates will push the Election process back to hopefully encourage participation through the North Star Community.

Board requests that State Funding Update and Implementation of FFCRA be added to future agendas.

School Update

**Motion to modify the agenda to add a brief school update with no action by Director Russell. Second by Director Dukelow. All in favor. Motion passes.**

Shay Davis reported about remote learning for Elementary. Positive emails from parents and many good reports. Remote learning is going as good as expected. The key is to help the teachers find balance between school and their home lives. Teachers are spending many hours working on learning, teaching and helping with remote learning. School is taking attendance.

Melissa Andersen stated that Secondary is also looking good. She addressed the question regarding the services being rendered for our IEP/504 students. They are being supported by SPED and those teachers are working with each student individually and making certain that their accommodations are being met. Our staff is stepping up to help with making personal phone calls to check on students who are not checking in with attendance.

Will Bogdanoff reported that Middle School is doing well. He has also received positive emails and has been able to join in different classroom chats. He feels that joining in with the classroom chats has helped to keep those connections he has built.

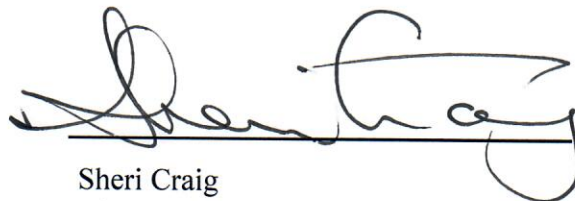
Shay also reported that the Leadership team is coming up with ways to make connections for the whole school. The Leadership team feels it is important to reach out to the North Star community and continue building on our community relationships.

**Motion to adjourn by Director Forman. Second by Director Silver. All in favor. Motion passes.**

The Board adjourned at 12:33 pm.

  
Jenna Balch (Apr 28, 2020)

Jenna Balch  
Chairman of the Board



Sheri Craig  
Clerk of the Board