



**THE NEW STANDARD
Board of Directors
2040 West Carpenter Road
Flint, Michigan 48505
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Serving the city of Flint with a higher standard in educational excellence and community wellness.

Special Board Meeting Minutes: Due to COVID19 Board of Directors Meeting was held virtually at:

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85142128816?pwd=TWN4TE5ndTI1MHhSQU1RWXhkWGNBdz09>

September 21, 2020

Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 10:34 a.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Lynette Hartzman - Present
John Rhymes – Present
Tom Smith - Present
Trachelle Young – Absent
DeAmphord Thomas – Present

Approval of Agenda

Motion to amend the agenda under discussion to change board meeting protocol by T. Smith, supported by D. Thomas.

Thomas- Yes

Rhymes- Yes

Smith- Yes

Hartzman- Yes

Yes- 4 No- 0

Motion Carries

Call to the Public

Nothing to report.

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Consent Items

Motion to approve the September 10, 2020 Meeting Minutes Meeting Minutes by D. Thomas, supported by L. Hartzman.

Thomas- Yes

Rhymes- Yes

Smith- Yes

Hartzman- Yes

Yes- 4 No- 0

Motion Carries

ESP/Admin Report

Return to Face-to-Face Decision- Mr. Kneer reviewed the current educational climate under the COVID-19 circumstances across counties and within our TNS school community. Genesee has the lowest rate of infection compared to all the schools who have been back F2F (face-to-face). Currently Genesee county has around 17 schools that are offering F2F, however TNS is not although our vision/mission states we will go above and beyond for our students. TNS administration expressed their desire to have the ability to offer students to return to school if they choose.

Discussion Items

Return to Face-to-Face Decision- TNS admin proposed to allow K-6 the ability to return to F2F and 7-11 to return F2F three days a week due to staffing.

Extended COVID-19 Learning Plan- TNS admin discussed the ELP (Extended Learning Plan) and an adjustment to it to add the option of F2F. Tom Smith expressed that he did not want to put our students at risk by bringing the students back F2F. John Rhymes Lynette Hartzman stated she would like to see students return as child abuse/trauma is on the rise with students at home. She also stated she would like to see school breakfast/lunch to add more nutrient rich foods. DeAmphord Thomas stated the virus is not going anywhere and believes with our safety protocols and ability push F2F and pull back as needed due to the health and safety of our children.

Board Meeting Protocol- TNS admin discussed if the school has an event or issue that calls for board discussion/action, we'd like the ability to request a meeting. The board members commented that they were comfortable with TNS admin requesting a meeting if they deemed necessary and the board could either approve or deny the request.

Action Items

Motion to approve the return to F2F instruction by D. Thomas, supported by L. Hartzman.

Thomas- Yes

Rhymes- Yes

Smith- No

Hartzman- Yes

Yes- 3 No- 1

Motion Carries

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Motion to approve the Extended COVID-19 Learning Plan by T. Smith, supported by D. Thomas.

Thomas- Yes

Rhymes- Yes

Smith- Yes

Hartzman- Yes

Yes- 4 No- 0

Motion Carries

Board Committee/SVSU Consultant

Doug Newcomb- Nothing to report.

Call to the Public

Nothing to report.

Announcements/Adjournment

The next regular Board of Director's meeting will be **October 08, 2020 10:30 a.m. at 2040 West Carpenter Rd., Flint, Michigan 48505.**

Motion to adjourn the meeting moved by D. Thomas, supported by T. Smith.

Thomas- Yes

Rhymes- Yes

Smith- Yes

Hartzman- Yes

Yes – 4 No – 0

Motion Carries.

Meeting adjourned at 11:21 a.m.

Approved: *Lynette Hartzman*

Submitted by L. Hartzman, Board Secretary