

**MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF
BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF FILER
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 413,
TWIN FALLS COUNTY, STATE OF IDAHO
AUGUST 28, 2020**

A special meeting of the Board of Trustees of School District No. 413, Twin Falls County, State of Idaho was convened at 3:30 p.m. on August 28, 2020 at the Filer Intermediate School Library and via Zoom platform in said district, pursuant to authority provided by Section 33-510 and 67-2340 through 67-2347, Idaho Code, and pursuant to affirmation by the Clerk that notice of the special meeting had been given to each trustee and had been announced by written public notice posted at the school district office and at least two or more public buildings within the school district not less than twenty-four hours before such meeting was to be convened. The Affidavit of Posting of Notice and a copy of the notice of a special meeting of School Trustees were entered into the record and are attached hereto.

Present at the meeting were Chairman Aaron Williams, Trustees Judy Hoffman, Bill Deetz, Superintendent Kelli Schroeder, Business Manager Kyle Pryde, and Clerk Teresa Kullhem when the meeting was called to order at 3:34 p.m. by Chairman Williams. Trustee Koyle called into the meeting via the Zoom platform.

Trustee Hoffman made a motion to approve the agenda as posted. Trustee Deetz seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Hearing Section
Emergency Response Advisory Committee Updates

Superintendent Schroeder began the meeting stating today's meeting will include information and discussion regarding the use of face coverings in the schools. The FEA sent out a survey to the certified staff after Tuesday's meeting. Superintendent Schroeder presented the results of the survey. Overwhelmingly the staff is in favor of mandatory face coverings when social distancing cannot be maintained. They were several staff members who said they would need to reconsider their decision to teach if face coverings were not mandatory.

Principal Hild presented the administrative team's recommendations regarding starting in the green color with face coverings in place when students cannot social distance. This would require face coverings in most every classroom. Questions were fielded regarding social distancing and how that will work in the classroom and hallways.

Principal Huff presented the reason why the online day on Friday is needed as well as reasons for the mandatory face coverings. He presented the safety concerns of his staff if face coverings cannot be made mandatory.

Principal Mahannah discussed the need to require face coverings on the busses.

Dr. French presented the need for the district to protect the vulnerable staff and students with underlying health conditions.

Principal Peters also gave the safety concerns she has in keeping her staff and students safe.

Superintendent Schroeder summarized parent concerns both for and against mandatory face coverings. She reiterated that although face coverings are mandatory, there are times when they will not be required. Our goal is to have students in school, face to face, as much as possible. Superintendent Schroeder is asking for the board to put all personal and political beliefs aside and return the wording regarding mask coverings to the original plan that stated face coverings required when physical distancing cannot be maintained.

Action Section I

Action Regarding Emergency Response Advisory Committee Updates:

Trustee Deetz made a motion that for the safety of staff and students of the Filer School District, when physical separation cannot be maintained, when asked, the student or staff member will be required to put their face coverings on. Trustee Hoffman seconded the motion. Trustee Koyle opposed the motion. Motion carried.

Trustee Reinke made a motion to adjourn.

Chairman Williams adjourned the meeting at 5:57 p.m.

Aaron Williams
Chairman

Teresa Kullhem
Clerk