

GRAND LEDGE PUBLIC SCHOOLS *Board of Education*

Virtual Regular Meeting – March 22, 2021

MINUTES

Vice President Jarrod Smith called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. He led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Roll Call by Interim Superintendent Dave Chapin indicated the presence of **Board Members**: Jarrod Smith remotely from Delta Township, Ingham County; Nicole Shannon, remotely from Oneida Township, Eaton County; Jon Shiflett remotely from the City of Grand Ledge, Eaton County; Denise DuFort remotely from the City of Grand Ledge, Eaton County; Patrick McKennon remotely from Oneida Township, Eaton County; Ben Cwayna remotely from City of Grand Ledge, Eaton County. **Central Office Administrators**: Dave Chapin, Bill Barnes, Steve Gabriel, Nancy Rasinske, Sara Holding, Mark Deschaine and John Ellsworth. **Others in Attendance** Abby Kenney, Alex Hoeksema, Alice Mills, Alison Gaffner, Allison Bengel, Allison Gyurich, Allison Zakerski, Alyssa Cummings, Amanda McNew, Amber Baker, Amber Moody, Amber Swint, Amie Long, Amy Bowers, Amy Lowrie, Amy McLean, Amy Robinson, Andrea Mans, Andrew Torrey, Angela Stefanick, Angie Stevens, Ann Paquette-Lukens, Anna Baryo, Annette Kelly, Ash Gobbell, Ashleigh Shepard, Ashley O'Neil, Ashley Parks, Ben Kohn, Beth Schuchaskie, Beth Whisman, Bianca Blackwelder, Bill Albrecht, Brandy Fletcher, Brenda Glinke, Brian Flowerday, Brian Jorgenson, Brian McLaughlin, Brian Trudell, Briane Dennis, Caitlin Christenson, Caitlin Fenby, Candace Karrer, Cara Pfund, Carlie Koets, Carly Waldrop, Carlyn Ross, Carolyn Bovee, Carrie Caylor, Carrie Kornoelje, Carrie Long, Cassandra Nelson, Cathy Fox, Charity McLaren, Chris Groves, Christie Konieczny, Christin Sandell, Christy Lobdell, Christy Price, Cindy Zerbe, CJ Chaitanya, Clifford Hurth, Colleen Price, Cynthia Hoskins, Dale Gross, Dan Cwayna, Danielle Borgman, Darby Beckon, Dawne Velianoff, Debbie Olmstead, Dee Kuhn, Doug Waldrop, Mike Johnson, Elizabeth Maciejewski, Ellie Darnell, Elly Knaggs, Elyse Fox, Emily Bartlett, Erica Ledesma, Erin Jones, Erin Pribble, Erin Ries, Erin Snyder, Ethan Fox, Greg Almy, Heather Brown, Heather Hicks, Heather Schlagel, Heidi Gottleber, Hillary Kohn, Jackie Nelson, Mamie McKennon, Jeff Palacio, Jen Fata, Jen Harlow, Jenn Grantham, Jenna Riekse, Jennifer Haakenson, Jennifer McCloud, Jennifer Mullins, Jennifer Short, Jenny Deja, Jenny Jarrard, Jenny Waybright, Jessica Cornman, Jessica Johnson, Jessica Westfall, Jill Dayton, Jim Teahan, Joan Pedraza, Jocelyn Thelen, Jody Lyon, Joe Grant, Haley Grant, John David, John Gollehon, John Hubbard, Joni Fuller, Julia Rollis, Julie Douglas, Julie Schieding, Karlene Ketola, Kathy Jennings, Katie Casteel, Katie Dufresne, Katie Fox, Katie Grass, Katie Pontifex, Kelci Laugal, Kelley Walker Terpstra, Kelli Conaty, Kelly Lambert, Kelly Nevison, Kelly Smith, Kelly Williams, Kelsey Schwartz, Ken Wright, Kim Abed, Kim Mulvenna, Kirsten Nunham, Kristin Baker, Kristin Seyfert, Kristy Welch, Lacey Rumzek, Lacy Schneider, Lara Hubbard, Laura Clark, Laura Dayton, Laura Mauren, Laurie Kucher, LeeAnn Dayton, Leesha Lee, Lesley Simon, Lindsay Weichlein, Lindsey Fender, Lindsey Grostefon, Lisa Schroeder, Lucas Terpstra, Lucinda Shier, Lynsee Phillips, Margo Susnjar, Marianne Dell, Marisa Lay, Mark Southworth, Marlene Promer, Mary Hankins, Matt Junak, Megan Drake, Megan Farnsworth, Megan Spedoske, Megan Szczepanek, Megan Weber, Melissa Hinojosa, Melissa Mazzola, Michael

Patrick, Michael Fredericks, Michael Reynolds, Michele Abbruzzese, Michelle D'Alessandro, Michelle Knauff, Michelle Mabis, Michelle Martin, Michelle Mead, Michelle VanDuine, Mike Ostertag, Mike Price, Mindy Clark, Molly Cool, Morgan Cross, Jen Bouck, Nancy Lonberger, Nate Moore, Nevaeh Mosher, Nicole Leitch, Nikki McLaughlin, Nikki Racine, Nola Cockroft, Olivia Alexander, Patrick O'Connor, Pete Bucholtz, Rachel Parish, Renee Sommerlot, Ryleigh Scott, Sara Haase, Sara Ostertag, Sara Taylor, Sarah Farrand, Sarah Felsing, Sarah Hopper, Sarah Koons, Sarah Kovach, Scott Gottleber, Scott Millbrook, Sean Stevens, Sharon Brock, Shayna Green, Shelley Warstler, Stacey Austin, Stacy Nelson, Stephanie Kiser, Stephanie Phillips, Stephanie Taylor, Susan Burm, Susan Sowle, Tara Barnhill, Taylor Brush, Teresa Dyer, Teresa Koenigsknecht, Teresa Miller, Teresa Reed, Therese Simon, Tiffany Organek, Tim Totten, Traci Gentilozzi, Tracy Smith, Vicki Wenzlick, Whitney Craig and Kim Manning

APPROVAL OF AGENDA ITEMS

Ms. Shannon noted she would like to amend the agenda to consolidate the two public comments into one noting she believes there is confusion with having two public comments, one on agenda items and one on non-agenda items. This will consolidate all public comment into one time on the agenda so people know they can address the board on any subject matter.

Mr. Cwayna clarified this motion would remove the public comment on non-agenda items from this evenings agenda and expressed concern in doing this at tonight's current meeting would he would not approve it moving forward.

Motion by Ms. Shannon, seconded by Mrs. DuFort for the Grand Ledge Public Schools Board of Education to approve the March 22, 2021 consolidating all Public Comment under one Agenda Item #6, as amended.

Roll Call Vote

Mrs. DuFort	<u>NO</u>	Mr. Smith	<u>NO</u>
Mr. Shiflett	<u>NO</u>	Mr. Cwayna	<u>NO</u>
Ms. Shannon	<u>NO</u>	Mr. McKennon	<u>NO</u>

The motion was defeated.

Motion by Mr. Cwayna, seconded by Ms. Shannon for the Grand Ledge Public Schools Board of Education to approve the March 22, 2021 agenda items, as presented.

Roll Call Vote

Mrs. DuFort	<u>YES</u>	Mr. Smith	<u>YES</u>
Mr. Shiflett	<u>YES</u>	Mr. Cwayna	<u>YES</u>
Ms. Shannon	<u>YES</u>	Mr. McKennon	<u>YES</u>

The motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Motion by Mrs. DuFort, seconded by Mr. McKennon for the Grand Ledge Public Schools Board of Education to approve the March 22, 2021 Consent Agenda Items, as presented.

Included on the Consent Agenda were the Meeting Minutes of the March 8, 2021 Work Session Virtual Meeting and Closed Session, the Meeting Minutes of the March 17, 2021 Special Virtual Meeting and the Teacher Hiring of Kimberly Lee as an Elementary Teacher at Beagle Elementary School.

Roll Call Vote

Mr. Shiflett	<u>YES</u>	Mr. Cwayna	<u>YES</u>
Ms. Shannon	<u>YES</u>	Mr. McKennon	<u>YES</u>
Mr. Smith	<u>YES</u>	Mrs. DuFort	<u>YES</u>

The motion carried unanimously.

REPORTS

A. Capitol Connections Report

Mr. Smith noted there is a lot happening with regard to the legislature and proposed legislation. Among them are a DHHS order on athletics and testing as well as updated CDC guidelines that impact school districts, bus safety, meeting foreign language requirements with work training, suspending standardized testing, suspending the third-grade retention requirement and extending legislation that would allow retired school employees to work as substitutes. In closing he noted all of these bills are in the introductory or hearing phase and none have been implemented.

B. Eaton RESA Report

Mrs. DuFort advised she has no report as the most recent meeting of the RESA Board was scheduled for March 17th and she opted to attend the Special Meeting of the Grand Ledge Public Schools Board of Education.

C. Equity, Diversity & Inclusion Committee

Mr. McKennon noted the committee continues to have great discussion with the most pertinent to address how to report the work of the committee to the public while ensuring the committee remains a safe space for open dialogue.

Dr. Chapin noted he believes this committee is doing important work and there will be ways to increase involvement in the future. He expressed his hope this becomes a long-standing committee.

D. Bond Update

District Bond Supervisor Dr. Mike Johnson provided the board with a detailed update on the bond construction throughout the district. He referenced action the board will take later in the agenda to approve the purchasing of furnishings for Holbrook and Beagle noting the costs came in with substantial savings. He noted the City of Grand Ledge has agreed to make West Jefferson the alternate route if M-43 needs to be shut down to complete the round-about. The Athletic Complex construction went out to bid and those bids were received last Tuesday, again construction costs were under what was budgeted. The community pool at the High School went out for bid on Wednesday and planning for the High School Fine Arts wing is in the design phase.

Dr. Chapin noted the bond updates to the Grand Ledge facilities will be envied across the region and a great source of pride for the district and community.

E. GLPS Extended COVID-19 Learning Plan Update

Vice President Smith clarified this will include the monthly required reporting.

Interim Superintendent Dr. Chapin noted Dr. Barnes will lead tonight's presentation, noting it is central to the metric, noting this was part of the commentary on March 8, moving off our safe learning guide and moving to a metric from the CDC. He noted as the administrative team was working to develop this plan on Friday, March 19, using the CDC guidelines, new CDC Guidelines were shared with school districts across Michigan. He noted this illustrates the difficulty of working within this climate under the continually shifting context and landscape. He noted Dr. Barnes' presentation is well developed and has been vetted across the administrative team and has our full support.

Dr. Barnes noted we are all facing something we have never faced before. GLPS serves a wide array of constituents and they have a wide array of opinions, which are important, but as school leaders, we have to base our decisions, especially those that impact the health and safety of our students and staff, and the community as a whole, not on opinions but on the advice of experts, the science and the doctors. He noted this plan is rooted in the most up-to-date CDC metric and guidance available and what we know about the best educational practices, which allows us to create a plan that serves our students and will carry us through the end of the year. He shared the two-way communication for February 2021 reflecting the weekly participation rates for Grand Ledge Public Schools and the results of the Fall 2020-Winter 2021 NWEA RIT scores. He reviewed the current realities including the last approved Return to Learn Plan, the numbers and the metric and other influences. He went on to share competing information that is making these decisions so complicated, the problems identified and addressed in the proposed plan, the driving concepts of the proposed plan and the recommended plan from the administrative team. Dr. Barnes went on to explain some of the terms and their definition under the CDC and shared the GLPS Plan designed for each color phase under the CDC Table (Red, Orange, Yellow and Blue) including student schedules, by grade level under each phase. Additionally, he shared the benefits and shortcomings of the proposal and reviewed what will take place on April 5, 2021 if this Plan is adopted by the Board of Education noting based on the current numbers, we would implement our Red Plan, which includes consultation with the Barry-Eaton Health Department around case numbers and location of community spread and noting that all students who requested in person learning on our latest survey would attend in person, based on the red schedule.

A detailed discussion among the members addressed the challenges the pandemic has placed on schools, the short notice of the CDC guidance that was used to pull a plan together, the number of positive cases, hospitalization and deaths are on the rise, having a plan in place for the remainder of the year, the plan is not perfect and not everyone will be happy but this seems to be a good compromise, appreciation that the plan will allow student to move seamlessly from in-person to online if necessary, clarification that Wednesday communication from Superintendent Chapin will continue with the exception of the week of Spring Break, noting the plan developed is not mandated by the state but was developed grounded in what the CDC says schools should be doing, collaboration

will continue with the Barry-Eaton District Health Department, sporting events following the MHSAA Guidelines varies from the directives of what the CDC has provided noting for in person instruction we are using the CDC guidance and will continue to work with our local BEDHD and the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services as their opinions will matter, noting the district is anticipating new guidance from MHSAA regarding testing athletes, the difficulty the district, and in fact all districts are having in hiring bus drivers but noting the transportation staff is working hard to make this plan work for families but noting some of the ride times may increase significantly, and noting the district wants students back in school but we want to do it safely. There will be bumps along the way, but the district will work to eliminate those bumps as best we can.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS TO INCLUDE PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE GLPS EXTENDED COVID-19 LEARNING PLAN.

Secretary Shannon read the rules for addressing the board.

LeeAnn Dayton addressed the board expressing concerns for the current increase in hours, the start time for elementary students in the new plan and noting she would like to see the kids back five days a week.

Laura Dayton addressed the board on the NWEA scores presented, the current increase in hours this week, the proposed schedule in the plan presented, and encouraging full face-to-face learning.

Amber Swint addressed the board on the emotional impact on her child, basing projections on what may happen instead of what kids needs and requesting the resignation of Ms. Shannon, Ms. DuFort and Mr. Shiflett.

Colleen Price addressed the board noting she has taught in the district for 26 years and encouraged parents to reach out to their students' teachers and if that doesn't work to their building principals referencing education is a three-legged stool (parent, teacher and student).

Ellie Darnell addressed the board to thank the Dr. Barnes for his presentation tonight, Dr. Chapin for taking on this job in this time of COVID, all the teachers and staff for the invaluable work they have done this year and keeping kids safe.

Megan Weber addressed the board expressing her concern for special education students and the big struggle this summer to get them up with their peers.

Laura Hubbard addressed the board with regard to the survey and this plan was not what parents thought they were signing up for, sharing concern for special education students, noting the schools need to be open and expressing appreciation for everyone who works hard noting it doesn't go unrecognized.

Heidi Gottleber addressed the board noting the board and administration are doing an impossible job and not getting enough accolades, expressed concerns about how negative and horrible everybody has been with regard to going back to school and expressing COVID is real noting we are all in this together.

Katie Fox addressed the board expressing sports are just as important as education noting some students won't be able to go to college if they don't get a sports scholarship and with kids being so isolated, the few hours they are able to play sports is important and coaches and players are doing everything asked of them so they can play.

Jill Dayton addressed the board thanking all the teachers for going above and beyond but noting the students want to go to school all day, every day and that she wishes there was a way for this to happen. She asked if there was a plan for next year noting it would be helpful for parents to know so they can start planning.

Tim Totten addressed the board expressing he believes the CDC guidelines are arbitrary and create an atmosphere that is too restrictive. He encouraged using common sense and less focus on the science.

John Hubbard addressed the board asking for the resignation of Ms. Shannon, Ms. DuFort, Mr. Shiflett, Mr. McKennon, Mr. Smith and Dr. Chapin noting this is about our kids not politics and noting the metric is unobtainable.

Kristin Baker addressed the board noting she will always advocate for her child, expressed support for the teachers in the district and encouraging that any planning going forward includes thinking about the special education needs of students.

Kelly Walker Terpstra addressed the board in support of the special needs students and expressing we need to get kids back in the buildings, face-to-face, no computers.

Lauren Mauren addressed the board noting she is happy with the proposal she heard, thanked her students' teachers, noting a lot is being asked of the teaching staff with maintaining virtual and in-person learning, asking what Grand Ledge was going to look like next year asking for guaranteed full-time, five-days a week regardless of what is happening with COVID.

NEW BUSINESS

A. DISCUSSION ON FALL 2021-2022 PLANNING

A detailed discussion among the members expressed appreciation for the work of the administration this year but noting looking ahead to the fall it may be beneficial, unless there is a governmental shut down as there was in March 2020, to work at offering full, face-to-face learning for those that want it while still offering a full-time virtual school, noting decisions need to be made sooner rather than later to give parents a way to plan for next year. It was discussed this has been a unique year, but we have learned a lot and for some students the online learning has worked and questioning how it would work for the district to provide both avenues of learning for students. This discussion will continue with the board noting they understand some want to be back in school and none of the administration or board wanted this year.

B. APPROVAL OF THE GLPS EXTENDED COVID-19 LEARNING PLAN

Motion by Ms. Shannon, seconded by Mr. Shiflett for the Grand Ledge Public Schools Board of Education to approve the GLPS Extended COVID-19 Learning Plan, as presented on March 22, 2021 to include specific guidance from Table 2. Recommended Prevention Strategies for K-12 Schools and Levels of Community Transmission from the March 19,

2021 report from the Center for Disease Control; unless K-12 public schools are specifically directed otherwise from local, state and/or national authorities.

Roll Call Vote

Ms. Shannon	<u>YES</u>	Mr. McKennon	<u>YES</u>
Mr. Smith	<u>YES</u>	Mrs. DuFort	<u>YES</u>
Mr. Cwayna	<u>NO</u>	Mr. Shiflett	<u>YES</u>

The motion carried 5-1.

C. APPROVAL OF 2020-2021 GENERAL FUND BUDGET AMENDMENT RESOLUTION

Motion by Mrs. DuFort, seconded by Mr. Shiflett for the Grand Ledge Public Schools Board of Education to approve the 2020-2021 General Fund Budget Amendment Resolution that reflects the February 22, 2021 Budget Update received by the Board of Education.

Chief Financial Officer Nancy Rasinske noted this resolution reflects the budget presentation given to the board during the February 22, 2021 Board meeting.

Roll Call Vote

Mr. Smith	<u>YES</u>	Mrs. DuFort	<u>YES</u>
Mr. Cwayna	<u>YES</u>	Mr. Shiflett	<u>YES</u>
Mr. McKennon	<u>YES</u>	Ms. Shannon	<u>YES</u>

The motion carried unanimously.

D. APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF SERIES II BONDS

Motion by Mr. Shiflett, seconded by Mr. McKennon for the Grand Ledge Public Schools Board of Education to approve the Resolution Authorizing the Sales of Series II Bonds, not to exceed \$38,700,000 consisting of not to exceed \$30,795,000 for Proposal 1 purposes and \$7,905,000 for Proposal II purposes, as presented.

Chief Financial Officer Nancy Rasinske noted this Resolution authorizes the sale of the Series II Bonds that will allow for construction to begin on Wacousta and Delta Center and the fine arts addition at the High School. The advised there is a final Series II bonds that will go to sale in 2024. This manner of selling the bonds in series ensures our community is not paying for work that is not started.

Roll Call Vote

Mr. Cwayna	<u>YES</u>	Mr. Shiflett	<u>YES</u>
Mr. McKennon	<u>YES</u>	Ms. Shannon	<u>YES</u>
Mrs. DuFort	<u>YES</u>	Mr. Smith	<u>YES</u>

The motion carried.

E. APPROVAL OF FOOD SERVICE MANAGEMENT CONTRACT AGREEMENT

Motion by Ms. Shannon, seconded by Mr. Shiflett for the Grand Ledge Public Schools Board of Education to approve the Contract for Food Service Management with Chartwells for the 2021-2022 School Year, as presented.

Chief Financial Officer Nancy Rasinske noted this is for the renewal of our food service management contract with Chartwells noting Darrin Gyurich and Chartwells has continues to do an outstanding job for our Grand Ledge Public Schools families noting during this very difficult year the food service staff prepared 100,000 breakfasts and 110,000 lunch meals from September to March for student pick up to ensure continued food security. She noted there was no increase in the contract fee.

Roll Call Vote

Mr. Cwayna	<u>YES</u>	Mr. Shiflett	<u>YES</u>
Mr. McKennon	<u>YES</u>	Ms. Shannon	<u>YES</u>
Mrs. DuFort	<u>YES</u>	Mr. Smith	<u>YES</u>

The motion carried unanimously.

F. Approval of Bid Award – Delta Mills Fiber

Motion by Ms. DuFort, seconded by Mr. Shiflett for the Grand Ledge Public Schools Board of Education to Approve the Contract for Outside Plant Fiber Optic Extension for Delta Mills Elementary School with Challenger Technologies of Jackson, Michigan in the amount of \$77,372, which includes acceptance of Voluntary Alternate A, as well as Payment of Required Make-Ready Fees to Lansing Board of Water and Light in an amount not to exceed \$38,500 as recommended, to be paid with 2018 Proposal 1, Series 1 Bond Infrastructure Funds, as presented.

Executive Director of Technology Mark Deschaine noted this will allow the district to connect Delta Mills to our fiber optic network thereby providing them with a stable connection to the internet as well as to support the upcoming new phone system. He noted the district will recover some of this cost through the Universal Service Fund.

Roll Call Vote

Mr. McKennon	<u>YES</u>	Ms. Shannon	<u>YES</u>
Mrs. DuFort	<u>YES</u>	Mr. Smith	<u>YES</u>
Mr. Shiflett	<u>YES</u>	Mr. Cwayna	<u>YES</u>

The motion carried.

G. Approval of Bid Award – Holbrook & Beagle Furnishings

Motion by Mr. Shiflett, seconded by Mrs. DuFort for the Grand Ledge Public Schools Board of Education approve Bid Awards for Holbrook Elementary Furnishings to Dew-El in the amount of \$321,703.77, NBS in the amount of \$26,578.80, Custer in the amount of \$14,208.20, Great Lakes Furniture Supply in the amount of \$51,225, Interstate Office

Interiors in the amount of \$17,888.76, Interphase Interiors in the amount of \$24,628.03 and Lakeshore Learning in the amount of \$8,607.75 and Bid Awards for Beagle Middle School Furnishings to Dew-El in the amount of \$360,475.44, NBS in the amount of \$9,022.42, Custer in the amount of \$12,487.75, Great Lakes Furniture Supply in the amount of \$118,857.20, Interstate Office Interiors in the amount of \$33,408.46, Interphase Interiors in the amount of \$59,902.76 and Wenger in the amount of \$43,808.32 with a 2% contingency of \$21,883.90 for a total Bid Award of \$1,124,686.56, as presented.

Roll Call Vote

Mrs. DuFort	<u>YES</u>	Mr. Smith	<u>YES</u>
Mr. Shiflett	<u>YES</u>	Mr. Cwayna	<u>YES</u>
Ms. Shannon	<u>YES</u>	Mr. McKennon	<u>YES</u>

The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON - AGENDA ITEMS

Dawne Velianoff addressed the board regarding the Letter of Agreement with the teachers and her support for 100% Face-to-Face and stating all the board members should be recalled except Ben Cwayna.

Erica Ledesma addressed the board wishing everyone a happy Spring Break and thanking everyone for the hours and hours of endless work and hoping everyone gets a chance to step away and expressing her appreciation to everyone.

Ellie Darnell addressed the board to congratulate our homecoming King and Queen and she thanked the school board for all of their hard work noting it is a thankless job.

John Hubbard addressed the board noting he supports having two-way dialogue with the board.

Ethan Fox addressed the board expressing his concerns for the lack of recognition given to the Class of 2021.

Lucas Terpstra addressed the board to express his concerns for the special needs students and noting he has some ideas and will email Dr. Barnes tomorrow.

Megan Spedoske addressed the board in support of not losing sight of what virtual learning has provided us this year, specifically referencing how helpful it was during conferences.

Katie Pontifex addressed the board noting COVID has taught us a lot, but there is still a lot we don't know. She noted this is going to be part of our new normal. She applauded everyone for their hard work, noting the weight they carry in a thankless job. She thanked Dr. Chapin for his weekly communication.

Michelle Knauff addressed the board thanking them and the administration for all the thought and planning that has gone into this year. She expressed her appreciation to her students and families for all the hard work they have done this year and noting she hopes moving into next year there is a way to ensure students feel like they are getting the best from their teacher(s).

COMMENTS FROM STAFF AND BOARD

Dr. Barnes expressed his appreciation for the board and for their continued support for the work of the staff noting a lot of people provide input to what is being presented to them for consideration. He encouraged families to reach out to him and he is happy to help problem solve.

Ms. Shannon asked and received confirmation that tonight's presentation would be available online.

Mr. Shiflett clarified he voted in support of increasing the hours at the March 17, 2021 meeting, asking if the parent with the bussing issue from the last meeting had gotten his issue resolved and noting he hopes we are 100% face-to-face in the fall.

Mr. Cwayna addressed Mr. Fox noted he is unsure of what type of recognition he is seeking and acknowledging maybe the board has not done the best job of that with the Class of 2021. He noted he recognizes the Class of 2021 and thanked Mr. Fox for speaking out.

Mr. McKennon gave shout outs to the teachers and staff, our Quiz Bowl Team that went undefeated, our Men's Varsity Basketball Team, Women's Varsity Basketball Team, recognizing we are looking to have a Spring Musical, the staff and students who put together the homecoming court, our custodial staff who is working to ensure our buildings are clean and staff, the parapros for all the work they are doing to ensure our students' success. He thanked everyone expressing he knows everyone is working really hard.

Mrs. DuFort noted she too was going to recognizing the many good things Mr. McKennon just references and noted Gymnastics should be recognized too. She noted she remembers Mr. Fox from Greenwood days and expressing she hopes we will be able to recognize the Class of 2021 with some sort of graduation ceremony noting she understands this has been an extremely difficult year for all of our students, but especially our seniors and all they missed out on.

Mr. Smith expressed he is impressed and proud to serve noting the extremely professional nature of our administration, teachers and board, regardless of our position on things. He noted he is proud of the work of Dr. Chapin and the administrative staff noting they have not had a weekend off in a long time. He expressed everyone is putting students first noting that is the reason the board is here. He recognizes there may be a difference of opinions, but he is confident the board and administration is acting in the spirit of safety. He expressed he understands it has been a difficult year for the Class of 2021, but the board does not do a lot with recognition of our senior class, but wants Mr. Fox to know he was heard and he is disheartened if Mr. Fox feels his class has been left out. He noted this year is not what we have been accustomed to in past years.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:33 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Attest:



Nicole Shannon, Secretary



Sara Clark Pierson, President