

**CITIZENS' ADVISORY COUNCIL/COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT
MINUTES
January 20, 2021
Meeting held via Zoom**

Members present: Jenny Barbehen, Karrie Schlichting, Shannon Wood, Marjory Bedrup, Eboni Murray, Ryan Russ, Roger Beauford, Angela Hart, John Lyons, Susan Farnum, Jane Catezone, and Ed Brophy

Members absent: Dr. Cavallo, Scott Dunnell

Agenda Item	Discussion/Information	Follow up
Introductions	J. Barbehen, S. Wood, M. Bedrup, E. Murray, K. Schlichting, A. Hart, J. Lyons, R. Beauford, R. Russ, J. Catezone, E. Brophy, S. Farnum	
Plan for Returning to In Person Instruction Update	<p>Mr. Brophy stated that the plan for students to return to school was shared at the 2/8/2021 Board Meeting and he asked if there were any questions/comments about the plan.</p> <p>Members asked about what drop off/pick up will look like. Social distancing will be followed and staff will escort children into the buildings. Each building administrator will send out their own communications on what to expect at drop off and pick up.</p> <p>Students will get additional supplies in school to use while in person and should already have their basic supplies at home to use while remote learning.</p> <p>Members remarked that the battery life on the chromebooks is short and many children do not have cases to protect them (kindergarteners, 1st graders, and some middle schoolers as well). Mr. Brophy will follow up on these concerns.</p>	Mr. Brophy will F/U
Board Report	Ms. Wood reported that the Board mostly discussed students returning to in person learning. She reminded folks to stay safe, wash hands and to keep your distance. The community engagement committee held a Zoom and discussed why school communications come out in a "Thursday packet."	

<p>School/Community Reports</p>	<p>J. Barbehen - happy with plan for preschool to return to in person learning</p> <p>J. Lyons - PTO fundraising by selling gift cards</p> <p>M. Bedrup - asked if teachers were involved in the plan for in person learning. Mr. Brophy said yes they have been involved a lot.</p> <p>K. Schlichting - why does only 1 parent get an email from Illuminate (email blasts). Mr. Brophy stated that is how Illuminate works. He will look into the new system that will be onboard after this year - Infinite Campus and see if that system can email more than one contact easily.</p> <p>R. Russ - the park is launching some programs soon (due to tier 2), the story walk will continue and once it gets warmer the stories will be changing. The park's website or FB page has a lot of current info. on what programs are coming up.</p> <p>R. Beauford - great to hear these ideas from members and is excited to have the kids back.</p> <p>S. Farnum - the library is preparing to ease back into in person service and will be open for browsing soon and more computers available. For kids and adults "make and takes" are still happening, keep working on finding fun things for kids of all ages to do, and will be celebrating black history month with a reading program in February.</p>	<p>Mr. Brophy will F/U</p>
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Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:04 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeanette Barnes