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Mission Statement:

Create a safe, positive environment that fosters intellectual curiosity and a thirst for discovery where students and staff succeed through exceptional programs

BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

AUGUST 10, 2020 at Banning Lewis Ranch Academy at 6:30 p.m.

1. Call to Order

1.1. Krisell Creager-Lumpkins called to order at 6:40pm

2. Roll Call

2.1. Board Members: Todd Blum, Krisell Creager-Lumpkins, Matthew Pacheco, Alexandra Tomei

2.2. Absent: Deann Barnett

3. Welcome, Pledge of Allegiance

4. Approval of Agenda

4.1. Matthew Pacheco moves to approve the agenda adding in public comment, discussion and action item to discuss mask language additions; Todd Blum 2ndd

4.2. All approve, motion carries

5. Public Comment

5.1. Jenna Bell made a comment representing teachers at the Ranch

5.2. Nicole Teti made a comment representing teachers at the Ranch

5.3. Laura Estevez made a comment representing teachers and parents at the ranch

5.4. Guin Leeder made a comment representing parents

5.5. Katie Reeves made a comment representing teachers at the Prep

5.6. Kendra England made a comment representing teachers at the Prep

5.7. Deanna Voss made a comment representing parents

5.8. Matt Betsayad made a comment representing parents

5.9. Jeremy Coster made a comment representing parents

6. Discussion Items

6.1. Mask Language

6.1.1. Proposed amending the mask language to include what constitutes a mask

6.1.2. Mask mandate from CO Governor was proposed; opted to use that excluding hygiene / washing procedures

6.1.3. Discussed face shields as not being included unless for staff is space is not impeded / viewing of the face is necessary for instruction

6.2. 2020-2021 School Year

- 6.2.1. Rick Dahlman, Shannon Molnar, and Albert Wiggins presented on current status of staff surveys, staff that have already been sent out, what happens when staff are shut down and cannot be covered in the rooms, presented D49 recently released policy, presented the current online option for all grade levels including live and asynchronous class time across all grades, increasing rigor in the coursework and assignments as grades rise. All who already chose online will not be impacted by the plan being presented currently and will stay on AMP – this will be for those who choose to be on campus while they await a return to on-campus learning. Working with teachers to make schoology more accessible to students to be used independently as well as uniform in presentation so that at the prep level it is consistent across all classes. Discussed when to allow small groups onsite including federal service plans, other plans, social emotional learning needs, and responding to student data to increase contact as appropriate.
- 6.2.2. Reviewed what D49 has in place for IEPs and other SPED services include PWN (Prior Written Notice) that will be completed for students and make specific but safe accommodations for each student individually.
- 6.2.3. Questions were raised on the true nature of ACCEL PTO – if they are ordered to quarantine they don't have to take PTO but it would be unpaid time off. Could apply for short term disability after 7 days
- 6.2.4. Questions were raised about gym usage and open gyms for sports if the schools are fully closed. Albert Wiggins stated that per CHSAA, majority of fall sports have moved to the spring. Can have open gyms but thinking it might be at district discretion. Discussed the role of arts based competitive programs that have also been pushed back to the spring
- 6.2.5. Discussed the role of staggering arrival on campus and the reasonings D49 picked 9/8/2020 as a start date. Reviewed their statement which discussed lack of confidence in safety and cleaning protocols and that time as an opportunity to address those concerns within school. We started late by 2 weeks in order to address these concerns. Discussed possibly starting the fade in earlier. Discussed exact numbers per grade at the ranch where students have chosen online.
- 6.2.6. Discussed role of late assignments and attendance and contacting families in a timely fashion if students are not attending during the live or asynchronous periods.
- 6.2.7. Discussed staffing struggles both in aids that share across cohorts and other staff and the lack of ability to replace them
- 6.2.8. Discussed the differences between the prep and the ranch and the ability to cohort
- 6.2.9. Discussed the devices and access to devices at all levels including getting to a 1:1 so that devices are not shared between students
- 6.2.10. Continued to discuss hybrid middle school options and the difficulties that are present in a timeline that is not at all present or clear for when secondary kids across all of D49 will return to campus
- 6.2.11. Discussed concurrent enrollment and the concerns around that program and being in person. Rob Wilkinson recommended a whole semester approach for viewing it

7. Action Items

7.1. Masks Language

- 7.1.1. Matthew Pacheco motions to approve the new mask language proposed by Krisell Creager Lumpkins adding in the segmented governor's language for what defines a face covering; Todd Blum 2nd'd
- 7.1.2. Discussion
 - 7.1.2.1. Keep in mind we recommend machine laundered but cannot monitor that
- 7.1.3. Vote Yes: Todd Blum, Krisell Creager-Lumpkins, Matthew Pacheco, Alexandra Tomei
- 7.1.4. Vote No: None
- 7.1.5. Motion carries

7.2. 2020-2021 School Year for high school

- 7.2.1. Alex Tomei motion to approve starting high school online August 17, 2020 with monthly monitoring meetings between board and admin; Todd Blum 2ndd
- 7.2.2. Discussion
 - 7.2.2.1. Would like to see a goal for what the timeline would be; or until further notice
 - 7.2.2.2. Want to keep the discussion moving forward
 - 7.2.2.3. Approval of the verbiage of review
 - 7.2.2.4. Desire to re-motion with the gym piece and how will it affect athletics
- 7.2.3. Alex Tomei motions to approve starting high school online August 17, 2020 including ceasing open gyms with monthly monitoring meetings between board and admin; Todd Blum 2ndd
- 7.2.4. Discussion
 - 7.2.4.1. Discussed altering the language to include both middle and high school students in a new motion
- 7.2.5. Alex Tomei motion to approve starting secondary students (grades 6-12) August 17, 2020 with remote learning. We will cease open gyms until further notice. We will bring secondary students back in person later in the semester if we continue to observe improving health data and increasing proficiency with operating our safety system; Todd Blum 2ndd
- 7.2.6. Discussion
 - 7.2.6.1. No Discussion
- 7.2.7. Vote Yes: Todd Blum, Krisell Creager-Lumpkins, Alexandra Tomei
- 7.2.8. Vote No: Matthew Pacheco
- 7.2.9. Motion carries
- 7.3. 2020-2021 School Year for elementary school
 - 7.3.1. Alex Tomei motion to approve starting K-2 elementary students beginning in person August 17, 2020 with Kindergarten having their orientation day August 14, 2020. Elementary 3-5 students will begin remote learning starting August 17, 2020 with monitoring meetings between board and admin for determining beginning in person learning as we continue to observe improving health data and increasing proficiency with operating our safety system; Todd Blum 2ndd
 - 7.3.2. Discussion
 - 7.3.2.1. No Discussion
 - 7.3.3. Vote Yes: Todd Blum, Krisell Creager-Lumpkins, Matthew Pacheco, Alexandra Tomei
 - 7.3.4. Vote No: None
 - 7.3.5. Motion carries

8. Board Member Communication

- 8.1. Reviewed Round Up and Assessment Plans directly from Admin
- 8.2. Reviewed staying safe and taking precautions outside of in school hours

9. Adjournment

- 9.1. Krisell Creager-Lumpkins adjourned the meeting at 9:52pm

DATE: August 10, 2020

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Alexandra Tomei, Secretary