

**MINUTES OF A COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF  
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 70  
COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

**January 11, 2021**

This Meeting was conducted telemetrically using the Zoom webinar platform pursuant to [Executive Order in Response to COVID-19 No. 5](#)

The Meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. with the following members present:

Mark Thannert  
John Przekota  
Wayne Youkhana  
Paul McGivern

Members Absent:

George Karagozian  
Lori Eslick  
Paul Torres

Matthew Mayer, Assistant Superintendent; Brad Voehringer, Superintendent; and Deirdre Koehler, Board Secretary were also present. Also present were Erin Majchrowski, Director of Business Services and Alana McCloskey, District Data Manager. The following staff were also present: Andrew Eckhorn-Martinez, Cheryl Menke, Chrissy Botten, Christine Pellum, Connie Schroeder, Corrie Cogan, Deborah Wiggins, Erin Cepa, Jennifer Drodz-Nolan, Jennifer Summers, Jody Shelist, Kate Mazukelli, Katlin McShane, Brian Hood, Liz Frake, Maureen Levin, Angel Loizzo, Margaret Reynolds, Vicki Goldberg, Laura Dounis, Tracy Paskiewicz, Lisa Brody, and Kelli Murphy. Mr. Jeremy Wilson was also in the audience.

Pledge of Allegiance

***Update on  
Return to Learn  
Plan***

Mr. Voehringer reported that our school nurse, Annie Byrne was recognized by other Superintendents in the Township as being a leader in getting information out to other districts.

The vaccination phase 1A includes medical personnel. School nurses, speech therapists, social workers, and psychologists are also included in Phase 1A. Phase 1B includes all school employees. An email was sent to staff today to fill out a

survey to be scheduled to be vaccinated. After filling out the survey, employees will be contacted by the Cook County Department of Public Health as to when they can receive their vaccine. Cook County estimates phase 1B vaccinations to take place in February or March. Mr. Voehringer stated that if employees live in areas such as Skokie or counties other than Cook, it might be faster to get the vaccination where they live.

Friday, January 15<sup>th</sup> is a Teacher Institute Day. Teachers will attend in person. Monday, January 18<sup>th</sup> is Martin Luther King Day and is a school holiday. Students who elected in-person learning will return to school on Tuesday, January 19<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Condon sent out an email today to the parents of in-person learning students which outlined expectations. The students will still attend from 8:20am to 12:20pm. This schedule will continue until Illinois goes into Phase 5. At that point the district will go back to full day in-person learning for all.

Morton Grove’s positivity numbers have remained about the same as last week, which was 5.92% which is lower than it was in October and November, but still in the orange.

There will not be a Committee of the Whole meeting next Monday due to the holiday but there will be a regular board meeting on Wednesday, January 20<sup>th</sup>.

***Adjournment*** A motion was made by Member McGivern and seconded by Member Thannert to adjourn the Board Meeting. All members were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 5:42 p.m.

Approved by:

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Secretary

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President