

SPECIAL MEETING  
OF THE WILMINGTON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
JULY 16, 2020  
DISTRICT OFFICE

The Wilmington City School Board of Education met for a Special Meeting on July 16, 2020, at 7:15 AM in the Wilmington City Schools District Office, 341 S Nelson Avenue. Social distancing was observed. The meeting was called to order by Steve Murphy, President. The Treasurer was asked to call the roll:

Members Present: Steve Murphy, President  
Marty Beaugard, Sr., Vice President  
Michael Flanigan, Member  
Larry Roberts II, Member  
Kevin N. Snarr, Member

Also in attendance were Mindy McCarty-Stewart, Superintendent; Nicole Quallen, Director of Curriculum, Natalie Harmeling, Director of Pupil Services/Gifted, Curt Bone, Director of Business and Kimberly DeWeese, Treasurer.

**167-020 APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion by Beaugard, seconded by Flanigan to approve the agenda. Voting aye on the roll call: Beaugard, Flanigan. Roberts, Snarr and Murphy. Nays: None. Motion carried.

**168-020 APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION - RESET AND RESTART SCHOOL PLAN 2020-21**

Motion by Beaugard, seconded by Flanigan to approve the following resolution regarding the Reset and Restart School Plan for the 2020-21 school year:

**WHEREAS**, on March 9, 2020, Governor DeWine declared a State of Emergency in Executive Order 2020-01D; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 11, 2020, the head of the World Health Organization declared COVID-19 a pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 22, 2020, the Director of Public Health issued a "Stay at Home" Order; and

**WHEREAS**, Governor Mike DeWine closed all Ohio schools from March 16, 2020, until the end of the 2019-2020 school year; and

**WHEREAS**, Governor Mike DeWine released the COVID-19 Health and Prevention Guidance for Ohio K-12 Schools & The Reset and Restart Planning Guide for Ohio Schools and Districts on July 2, 2020, and

**WHEREAS**, as a result of these events, the district has to create flexibility and options for education in response to the pandemic, in order to continue providing instruction to students; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board of Education of the Wilmington City School District, County of Clinton, State of Ohio, that:

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**Section 1:** The Board supports the In-Person Option for the 2020-2021 school year: Students attending school with the In-Person Option will start the year in a hybrid schedule and attend school physically on two days and learn remotely at home for three days. The Board supports that the district may allow all students to attend school when it is safe or may need for students to attend remotely for periods of time.

- 1). The hybrid schedule allows students and staff to learn and practice all new safety guidelines and protocols in smaller groups.
- 2). The hybrid schedule allows students to maintain the recommended social distancing of 6 feet in the majority of the educational settings.
- 3.) The flexibility of the in-person and remote learning schedules will allow the district to help respond to any increase or decrease of a community spread of the virus or staffing shortages due to illness and/or quarantine.
- 4.) Decisions for changing the schedule will be made in collaboration with the Clinton County Health District and will follow any State Guidelines.

**Section 2:** The Board supports that students will be required to wear face coverings while riding the school bus and that it will be highly recommended to wear face coverings when 6 feet of social distancing is not practical. If Clinton County is at an Alert Level 3, the Board supports that students will be required to wear face coverings in all school settings. The Board supports that the district will continue to assess the requirements and wearing of face coverings as directed by the State and Local Health Departments and the Governor.

**Section 3:** The Board supports the WCS Virtual Education Option for the 2020-2021 school year. Students will opt in to this option within the timeline determined by the district. Students will remain in this option for a full semester for the following reasons:

- 1). Consistency with one method of instructional delivery is best for student learning. Students moving in and out of different learning programs presents additional challenges for the student.
- 2). The district will purchase student licenses to use the program.
- 3). The In-Person option is planned safely according to the enrollment of our WCS Virtual Education option.

**Section 4:** The Board supports that the student start date for the 2020-2021 school year will move from August 19, 2020 to August 24, 2020 to allow staff training in establishing safety measures, providing instruction in multiple situations, and preparing the learning environment.

Voting aye on the roll call: Beaugard, Flanigan, Roberts, Snarr and Murphy. Nays: None.  
Motion carried.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Flanigan, seconded by Beaugard to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 AM. Voting aye on the roll call: Beaugard, Flanigan. Roberts, Snarr and Murphy. Nays: None. Motion carried.

ATTEST

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Treasurer

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Board President