



Arlington
Heights
SCHOOL DISTRICT 25

Board Highlights

Board of Education Special Meeting
September 24, 2020

Special School Board meeting – 7:30 p.m.

Community Input

- Jennifer Huntzicker, 316 N. Douglas Avenue, has two children in school. She feels that there should be no lag time in when school should start, and requested that hybrid learning be ½ days in school for students. She would like a limit on screen time. She noted that the teachers are wonderful, and they are not happy with remote learning.
- Marianne Corcoran, 739 S. Roosevelt, is concerned about children with disabilities and EL students and remote learning. She feels that these groups need more assistance. She is concerned about privacy, and of a delay in interventions. These children are falling farther behind, and need to be back in school.
- Brittney Polihronis, 336 W. Waverly Ct., want parents' right to choose either full in person or remote learning. Her son with an IEP needs support, and feels that it can't be done in remote learning. She said that hybrid is a step, but it is not the goal, and wants the district to move forward.
- Erin Kalaway, 311 N. Belmont Ave, read a letter on behalf of a District 25 parent, and teacher at a local parochial school. She feels that there should be a choice for teachers and parents to be either in-person or remote. Ms. Kalaway stated that she is a nurse, and has been working, and feels that we can control the virus with hand hygiene and masks.
- Kerri Hood, 1025 E. Cherry Lane, read quotes that are on District 25's schools' web sites. She wants the district to reopen and give parents a choice of in-person or remote learning.
- Heidi Steinike, 1722 N. Patton Ave, is mother of two students and a former Speech Pathologist. She feels that eLearning is detrimental to our students and doesn't work for anyone, and that children need to be in school every day.
- Dr. David Dobkin, office at 1430 N. Arlington Heights Rd, is a pediatrician, and feels that parents and teachers should have a choice to be in school for full days or remote. He stated that we can't let our guard down, still need to wear a mask, social distance within the classrooms, hallways, outside, and use good hand hygiene. He stated that screen time should be limited to one hour per day.
- Stephanie Levinsky, 623 N. Arlington Heights Rd., directed her comments to Dr. Bein. She noted that Rockford School District has been in school, and suggested that our district should be in-person that as well.

Due to the large number of comments submitted via email and the length of each comment, they are being grouped by topic. Each comment will be submitted to the

Board of Education members in writing and posted to our website with the recording of tonight's meeting. It is attached at the end of the minutes.

Groups via email:

- 7 - Asked the Board to continue remote learning and not to forget about those students that will stay in remote learning.
- 15 - Requested full in-person learning as soon as possible.
- 1 - Requested a full-day Kindergarten program.
- 5 - Requested a ½ day hybrid model.
- 1 - Requested an increase in community involvement.
- 1 - Asked questions regarding how long will hybrid last, and when will full in person plan be available.
- 1 - Requested an explanation of the hybrid model.

Information Items

- Hybrid Learning 2020-2021 Update

Action Items

- Approve the calendar update for the 2020-2021 school year as presented.

<p>NEXT REGULAR MEETING Thursday, October 15, 2020 7:30 p.m. Dunton Administration Building 1200 S. Dunton Avenue Arlington Heights, IL 600045</p>	<p>Arlington Heights School District 25 cultivates innovative learners within a nurturing and collaborative community to thrive in an ever-changing world.</p> <p>The Board Highlights are also posted on the District web page at: www.sd25.org</p>
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