

Sussex Academy
Executive Board of Directors
Virtual Special Meeting
July 27, 2021

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Lauren Wisely, Board President, called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Board Members Present: Lauren Wisely, Chris Moody, Patches Hill, Uday Jani, Sara Messina, Chris Schell, and Darlene O'Neill, Marty Cosgrove, and Lance Manlove (arrived 7:05 pm)

Staff Present: Eric M. Anderson, Head of School, Duncan Smith, Chief Operating Officer, Gina Derrickson, Director of Development, and Andrea Rogers, Board Secretary

Board Members Absent: Precious Benson, Todd Hickman, Lance Manlove, Chris Schell, and Steve Burke

Staff Absent: Franny Silcott, Director of HR and Duncan Smith, Chief Operating Officer

FINALIZE SY21-22 BOARD MEMBER OPENINGS*

Lauren Wisely reported:

Heather Applegate has rescinded her offer for another 1-year board term due to conflicts and will remain on the Governance Committee.

Jennifer Scott, Brittany Burslem and Jennifer Donahue will all be offered positions on the SY21-22 Board of Directors.

Eric Anderson reported:

Mr. Anderson discussed the new CDC guideline recommendations that were released in regard to face mask guidelines in school for those who are vaccinated.

Dr. Uday Jani suggested that we wait before we make any final decisions regarding masks since guidelines are subject to change.

Martin Cosgrove recommended that we have hosted COVID vaccination clinics and we should not penalize students for wearing a mask since they made the decision to receive a vaccination.

There will be a state mandate that all students must wear masks while on a bus.

Eric Anderson discussed possible virtual teaching options for those unvaccinated students that have to be quarantined due to exposure. Another possibility would be recording the class day. Unless there are extenuating circumstances, everyone is to expected to be in person.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

No Executive Session

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Marty Cosgrove made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:28 pm. Uday Jani seconded. The motion passed unanimously (7-0).

Respectfully submitted,

Andrea Rogers, Board Secretary

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