

1 St. Anthony – New Brighton  
2 Independent School District 282  
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6 **REGULAR MEETING-Tuesday September 7, 2021**

7 **MINUTES**  
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11 **Members Present:** Board Chair Laura Oksnevad; Vice Chair Cassandra Palmer;  
12 Clerk Ben Phillip; Treasurer Lynne Penke Valdes; Director Leah Slye; and Director Barry Kinsey  
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14 **Staff Present:** Superintendent Dr. Renee Corneille  
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17 The Regular Meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by Board Chair, Laura Oksnevad.  
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20 **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**  
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22 A motion was made by Ben Phillip and seconded by Lynne Penke Valdes to approve the  
23 September 7, 2021 Regular Meeting agenda, as presented. The motion carries 6-0.  
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26 **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**  
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28 A motion was made by Lean Slye and seconded by Barry Kinsey to approve the Minutes  
29 from the August 24, 2021 Regular Meeting (with typos corrected), as presented. The  
30 motion carries 6-0.  
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32 **APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**  
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34 A motion was made by Barry Kinsey and seconded by Cassandra Palmer to approve the  
35 September 7, 2021 Consent Agenda, as presented. The motion carries 6-0.  
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38 **ACTION**  
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40 **1. Annual Policies for Review – Final Reading**  
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42 This was the final reading of the annual policies for review set by MSBA.

43 410 – Family and Medical Leave Policy

44 413 – Harassment and Violence

45 414 – Mandated Reporting of Child Neglect or Physical or Sexual Abuse

46 415 – Mandated Reporting of Maltreatment of Vulnerable Adults

47 506 – Student Discipline

48 514 – Bullying Prohibition Policy

49 522 – Student Sex Nondiscrimination

524 – Internet Acceptable Use and Safety Policy  
616 – School District System of Teaching and Learning for Accountability  
806 – Crisis Management Policy

**A motion was made by Cassandra Palmer and seconded by Leah Slye to approve policy 410; 413; 414; 415; 506; 514; 522; 524; 616; and 806, as presented.**  
**The motion carries 6-0.**

## **DISCUSSION**

### **1. First Week of School and Enrollment Numbers**

SANB had a wonderful workshop week. It started with the first ever SANB Olympics. Anna Nagle and Amber Potts organized all staff into 30 teams competing in numerous events, like cup stacking, half-court basketball shots, and team cheers. In addition, all staff were treated to breakfast and snacks organized by our Wellness Committee and created by our nutritional services. The rest of the week staff met together to discuss school culture, equity, and rigor, relevance, and relationships. Teachers also had time to prepare their rooms and lessons for our student's arrival on Wednesday, September 8.

District administration is pleased to see an increase in enrollment compared to what was projected last spring. Official enrollment (for state funding) is determined by the October 1 student enrollment count.

### **2. COVID-19 Update**

As school begins on Wednesday, September 8, the following School Board approved mitigation strategies are in place:

Masks: *Universal* required cloth mask wearing in school buildings for all students ages two and older and staff, regardless of vaccination status. Masks should be well fitting without valves. Neck gaiters are not adequate.

Physical Distancing (Cohorts/pods): During the 2020-21 school year, cohorts/pods were created as a mitigation strategy. This strategy limited the educational experience for students during the school day and required a shortened school day. Based on universal cloth mask wearing, along with heightened symptom awareness, schools can operate without cohorts/pods.

Classroom/School Closures and Quarantines: Universal cloth mask wearing prevents the need to shut down classrooms or extended quarantines. CDC states that as long as individuals are wearing masks, schools are not required to implement classroom quarantines and/or shut down of classrooms. Limited quarantines may be required for unvaccinated people if the exposure occurs when unmasked (i.e. lunch, sports). Shortened quarantine options will be

available as long as the exposure is not within the household. Household quarantine for unvaccinated people is 14 days.

Visitors: Visitors will be limited to only essential services during the school day. Thoughtful consideration will be required to ensure the safety of staff and families during Open House/Back to School nights. Communication will be shared with families prior and during the events to limit their time in the building, open all doors, one parent/guardian per child.

Lunch: Mask wearing is not possible during breakfast and lunch times. The following accommodations will be provided during these times:

- o Hand sanitizing upon entering/leaving
- o Wearing masks when entering the lunchroom until seated and when finished eating.
- o Grades 1-5 classrooms will come as a class together and exit together as a class.
- o Encourage eating outside when the weather is agreeable.
- o Middle/High School lunchroom table documentation for contact tracing.
- o Elementary - seating charts.
- o Direct instruction to students regarding COVID-19 mitigation strategy protocols
- o Breakfast carts in the hallway and staff will hand out breakfast to students as they walk into the Commons Area

Transportation on Vans/Buses: Masks are required on all buses/vans per federal law.

Ventilation System: ISD 282 has implemented a top-of-the-line ventilation system in its school buildings. ISD 282 has raised the outside air intakes above the required minimums by 25% or greater. In addition, school filters have been upgraded to a Minimum Efficiency Reporting Value (MERV) 14 - The American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air-Conditioning Engineers suggests a MERV 13 or greater to combat the COVID-19 virus.

Contract Tracing: If all people are masked, the school district will notify staff and students of a COVID-19 positive exposure. Recommendations will be provided to take a COVID-19 test 3-5 days after exposure and to continue masking.

Lockers and Locker Rooms: Students will be masked so use of lockers and the locker room are permitted.

Cleaning and Sanitizing: Students will have hand-washing breaks throughout the day (K-5) and all students will have access to hand sanitizer. Custodial staff will clean and disinfect surfaces in each room at the end of each day.

### **3. Success Metrics**

St. Anthony New Brighton Schools (SANB), due to intense study and collaboration, are primed to live out their vision for success for all students. Superintendent Corneille presented a memo

to the school board that provided a historical overview of how success has been defined nationally and locally. Also presented was a brief description of how SANB schools have met or not met test determined success measures; followed by the process used to operationalize the concept of success for SANB schools; and finally recommendations to the board to consider how to measure success in the future.

#### **4. District Policy Advisory Committee**

In order for our district policies to reflect an equity lens and align with Teaching & Learning work, a district policy committee will be established to review all 1 year, 3 year and multi-year policies. This policy committee will consist of two school board members, an administrator, staff members, students & community members. The policy committee will begin meeting in January 2022.

#### **5. Board Retreat Dates**

The School Board discussed adding two School Board Retreat dates to the calendar. Dates are yet to be determined.

### **REPORTS**

Superintendent Corneille is looking forward to all the joys the first day of in person learning will bring.

School Board members attended the following events and meetings: NE Metro 916; Leading for the Future; SAMS open house; Wilshire Park open house; swim & dive meet; football game; and the welcome back staff Olympic day.

### **Adjourn**

The Regular Meeting of September 7, 2021 was adjourned at 9:02 p.m.

Signed: Ben Phillip - School Board Clerk

Attest: Kim Lannier