

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
DEKALB COUNTY REGIONAL BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
2500 N. Annie Glidden Rd., DeKalb, IL 60115
January 4, 2021**

President Willrett called a virtual meeting of the DeKalb County Board of School Trustees to order at 12:10 P.M., Monday, January 4, 2021, via video communication application called Zoom.

Roll call was taken with the following board members in attendance: Mr. Burski (joined at 12:20PM), Mr. Rose, Mr. Willrett, Ms. Frankiewicz. Also in attendance was Ms. Amanda Christensen (DeKalb Regional Superintendent of Schools). Not in attendance: Mr. Horn and Mr. Forsberg.

Approval of the minutes from last meeting was motioned by Ms. Frankiewicz, seconded by Mr. Rose and passed with a unanimous voice vote. Quorum was not originally met for this meeting but was met at 12:20 PM to be able to approve the minutes.

Ms. Christensen then reported to the board that there were not any current or pending annexation/detachment inquires. There was a feasibility study that was completed between Somonauk and Leland but no further information has been received by the ROE.

Next item was ROE updates and operation/school statuses. The ROE remained open by appointment only for fingerprinting and testing once able to open. If workers could work from home, they did otherwise they were here in the office daily. Truancy intervention was also still running. Community Outreach numbers looked different with locations not holding their same events. Community Outreach Team was still distributing diapers so in the community and letting others know that we are still here to help. State mandates mostly stayed the same so state reporting and building compliance also continued. Ms. Christensen advised that currently, all school districts in DeKalb County are on remote learning. DCHD recommends to remain this way until at least January 19th but it is not required by them. She also advised she has been meeting with the superintendents every Wednesday to update and establish weekly game plans.

Next was the items of concern from Board Members. A member of the board mentioned vaccinations and it was advised that educators are in Tier 1B and the districts were working ahead on their numbers for those who would want or need the vaccine. The Regional Office of Education is working directly with the Health Department to get links for our substitute teachers. IAR testing was also mentioned. It was advised that they are still required and that hasn't changed at all with the mitigations.

There was an individual from the public on the meeting with the screen name of Tom Parkinson. He did not participant in communication or have any questions or concerns when called upon.

President Willrett then adjourned the meeting at 12:32 PM.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 5, 2021 via virtual Zoom.

Respectfully submitted,

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