

# ERVING SCHOOL COMMITTEE

**THURSDAY, August 26, 2021**

**Remote Meeting - Google Hangouts Meet 6:00**

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**\*\*\*THIS MEETING WAS RECORDED**

**The recording began at 6:11p.m.**

**Present:** Erik Semb, Chair; Jennifer Eichorn, Catherine McLaughlin, David Chagnon, Katelyn Mailloux, Members; Jenifer Culkeen, Superintendent of Schools; Lisa Canditio, EES Principal; Brittanie Mimitz, Minute Taker; Mackenzie Bailey, Tracey Saharseski, Melissa Mazella, Mark Burnett, Elizabeth Desorger, Kathryn Buell, Samantha Butynski, EES Staff; Cassandra Paronich, Max Paronich, Jillian Betters, Katie Reardon, Elena LaClair, Wendy Arnold, Scott Basterache.

## Meeting Minutes

**A. Call Meeting to Order-** Erik called the meeting to order at 6:00p.m.

**B. Pledge of Allegiance-** The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all and a moment of silence observed.

**C. Public Hearings-** None Apparent.

**D. New Business-**

- **Preschool - Discussion** Many EES families expressed their displeasure and concern that EES would not be offering full day Preschool for 3 year olds in the 21-22 school year. Parents stated they were not pleased with the parent-administrator communication about the Preschool program and were not asked what works best for Erving Families. In response Lisa stated that surveys went home to all the parents of 3 year old children. The decision was made by the leadership team. They made the decision they thought was best for the health and safety of everyone at EES and give the teachers a chance to focus on the 4 year olds that have had no schooling.

Jen raised a question about staff children attending pre-k if there is space available. She said she would look into the minutes from previous meetings to see if it was an official school committee vote.

After much discussion Katelyn made a motion to have 3 year old students attend Erving Elementary School in the 21-22 school year. The motion was seconded by Jen. 4 yes, 0 no and 1 abstention from David.

**E. Policy Review and Update**

### Policy Review and Update

- **Vote to Waive School Committee Policy: BGB Policy Adoption for the purpose of Editing Policy EBCFA – Face Coverings in one vote – Discussion and Vote**

- **Possible Edit and Final Vote on:**

- **EBCFA – Face Coverings\***

No vote is needed. The Governor has set a state mandate for all students and staff to wear masks inside the building. Masks may be removed while outside.

**F. Executive Session**

- **To discuss strategy with respect to litigation**

**G. Future Business**

- **Next School Committee Meeting Date: Tuesday September 21, 2021 – 7:00 p.m. •**

Erving Policy Committee – **Tuesday, September 21, 2021 – 6:30 p.m.**

**H. Adjournment-** Erik made a motion for the committee members to move to an Executive session; not to return to the general meeting at 6:38p.m. The motion was seconded by Katie. AIF.

**\* Enclosures**

Agenda items are those reasonably anticipated by the Chair which may be discussed at the meeting. Not all items listed may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law.