**BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**SUNSET RIDGE SCHOOL DISTRICT 29**

**525 SUNSET RIDGE ROAD**

**NORTHFIELD, ILLINOIS 60093**

**RETURN TO SCHOOL TASK FORCE MEETING**

**SEPTEMBER 15, 2020**

**3:45 P.M.**

**MINUTES**

**ROLL CALL: (3:45 p.m.)** Mrs. Detlefsen called the meeting to order at 3:45­­­ p.m. and upon roll call, the following were present via video-conferencing:

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 Present: Mrs. Detlefsen, Mrs. Peterson,

 Ms. Alpert Knight, Mr. Subeck

 Absent: None

 Also Present: Dr. Stange, Dr. Sukenik. Dr. Greene, Mrs. Styczen,

Mrs. Dunham, Mrs. Bell, Mrs. Meziere, Mrs. Berkhof, Mrs. Bauer, Mrs. Zogby, Mrs. Peck, Mrs. Mertes, Mrs. Bauer, Mrs. Toofan, Mrs. Malan, Mrs. Dold, Mrs. McGarry, Dr. Friedman, Mr. Whittaker, Mr. Spaan

**DISCUSSION: 2.1 Approval of Minutes**

Mrs. Peterson motioned to approve the minutes from the July 30, 2020 meeting. Mrs. Detlefsen seconded the motion. The Board voted as follows:

 Yea: Mrs. Detlefsen, Mrs. Peterson, Ms. Alpert Knight, Mr. Subeck

 Nay: None

 THE MOTION WAS APPROVED.

 **3.1 Public Comment**

Mr. Whittaker shared a public comment articulating his praise for the District staff in the implementation of the Return to School Plan. He also noted concerns regarding the safety of adding lunch service.

 **4.1 Discussion: 2020-2021 Return to School Planning**

The committee reviewed the COVID-19 Metrics Dashboard data system, data sources, and the actual current data under each metric.

The committee discussed updates to the Return to School Plan based on new ISBE and CCDPH guidance. These included the removal of face coverings by staff when alone in an office or classroom with the door closed, the removal of face coverings by students when eating/drinking or outdoors when socially distanced, and the ability to utilize some professional judgment by school nurses in differentiating between COVID-19 symptom presence and other conditions.

The committee discussed challenges related to some families switching between in-person and remote learning environments as a result of voluntary travel to high risk areas. The committee recommended that a student that must quarantine due to voluntary travel to a high risk area be

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treated as voluntarily changing to the remote learning programs, which requires a trimester-long commitment.

Each Task Force member was provided an opportunity to articulate their thoughts regarding the previous recommendations. No dissention by Task Force members was noted.

**ADJOURNMENT:** At 5:32 p.m.,Mr. Subeck moved to adjourn the meeting, and Mrs.

Detlefsen seconded the motion. All were in favor.

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