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Jeff Arey: Any communications.

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Jeff Arey: Look, good evening everyone it's so great to see everyone in person finally i'm so happy to be here, just so everyone knows, there are agendas at the back if anyone wants to grab one on the table at the back.

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Jeff Arey: We also do have an overflow room and the media Center but looks like we have plenty of room here tonight, so thank you all for coming out it's great to see everyone.

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Jeff Arey: I did want to remind everyone that we are live streaming tonight for those that can't make it, you can still view remotely and, hopefully, we have a number of people doing that as well.

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Jeff Arey: Thank you to Jeff airy for working on getting us here tonight, there was purchasing of cameras and a lot of tech.

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Jeff Arey: stuff that needed to be done i'm setting up for this live streaming so we appreciate that and James, thank you for all your help and setting up the largest space, so we can accommodate so many people.

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Jeff Arey: Thankfully, as everyone has heard me say we are confidently planning a return to full day in person school in September.

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Jeff Arey: The administration, the principals teachers staff board members have all been committed to this having our students back full time in the fall, although there are some details.

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Jeff Arey: Some cover provo protocols that we still need to kind of determine and both see what based on the health guidance at that time, but planning is underway.

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Jeff Arey: For a safe return and James heiser or business administrator who oversees transportation and food service and custodial and a whole bunch of other things, obviously.

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Jeff Arey: are among the various he covers and Dave Tate our director of special education, which also oversees nursing, which are the two key areas that we're going to be focusing on for September, they will be giving a short presentation later today just to kind of.

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Jeff Arey: Get the sense of where we are at this point, additionally, just so everyone knows the Board is working to find an interim superintendent.

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Jeff Arey: to serve the district beginning July 1, as everyone knows, Dr McCartney is retiring also, unfortunately, Dr McCartney could not be here with us tonight so Dr gibson was nice enough to fill in for him tonight, so thank you, Dr gibson.

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Jeff Arey: We have a very strong central administration and building administrators and our from superintendent.

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Jeff Arey: is really going to just a system with the transitioning to a permanent superintendent as well as.

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Jeff Arey: A lot of the things that our administration is currently working on and that's why I just wanted to mention the jeans and Dave has already taken on that role of the return to school so as we are not.

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Jeff Arey: probably going to have an interim until July 1 I wanted to make sure that you all knew that the process was occurring.

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Jeff Arey: So we did interview some potential candidates during our an executive session last last week, we are still in the review process, however, we do expect hopefully to have.

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Jeff Arey: An interim superintendent appointed by June 15 hoping everything goes well, so at this time, we also have an inquiry out to a request for proposal actually.

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Jeff Arey: Close to find search firms to help us in the permanent superintendent search and that is going to be a much more with the support of the chosen firm.

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Jeff Arey: We will be conducting a full search for a permanent superintendent which will be much more extensive inclusive of.

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Jeff Arey: there'll be all different stakeholders involved parents students Community members so we'll we'll be interviewing firms, I believe, next week in executive session our next meeting just to let everyone know is June 15.

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Jeff Arey: Our regular meeting next.

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Jeff Arey: And I think that's it for my report.

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Jeff Arey: that's.

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Jeff Arey: And that's all, so I will let carolyn.

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Jeff Arey: Very good evening.

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Jeff Arey: I have looked different voice in fact and McCartney, so I won't I won't sound like that could uh pardon me this evening, I will be as long as carbon is either.

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Jeff Arey: So I what I would like to do first off is to welcome our new director of curriculum instruction innovation, Dr Karen Benton.

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Jeff Arey: Consumers.

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Jeff Arey: will begin on July 12.

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Jeff Arey: And the beginning to come and running so should we coming in and out as she leaves her other position or the district, it will be in addition to our summer so again welcome back dependent look forward to being here with us.

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Jeff Arey: Okay next on our report will be our 2020 wants to safety data systems report here at one presentation by system lambs sherry paragon.

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we're live stream, thank you.

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Jeff Arey: Okay, moving right along.

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Jeff Arey: The Sep tember 2021 framework.

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Jeff Arey: As far as how we are looking September will be presented to you by David and James Tyson Tyson.

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Jeff Arey: This is going to be the foundation for making sure to open up in September, with the full day all day sorts of things.

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Jeff Arey: He will have that and then we'll be able to give you the full details.

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Jeff Arey: So, good evening everyone.

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Jeff Arey: i'm so glad I don't have to check my background right now.

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Jeff Arey: In my room.

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Jeff Arey: So.

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Jeff Arey: We for Jeff.

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Jeff Arey: So tonight we're going to present some information regarding the opening of schools in September 2021 and it's certainly been a collaborative effort with administration and principals and teachers and other staff member and cabinet James heiser caterpillar Dr gibson and Jeff airy.

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Jeff Arey: And certainly there's some some more things to do, but let's jump into it right now.

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Jeff Arey: Next slide.

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Jeff Arey: So there, there are some guiding principles and documents that we will be using obviously the one main one that we are waiting on.

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Jeff Arey: Is the safe return plan that is being released by the New Jersey Department of Education and we expect that or it will be released on may 24.

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Jeff Arey: which I believe is next Monday, so that document is a template that all districts must use and must fill in and must submit and must get approved by the Department of Education and the board of education.

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Jeff Arey: So we're waiting on that guidance we don't know exactly what is in that template, but we have a pretty good idea, because we've been down this road.

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Jeff Arey: And we have filled in various forms, for the state, so we have a pretty good idea of what we're putting in there and Those are some of the things that will be talking about tonight.

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Jeff Arey: Other guiding documents and principles of course we use CDC guidance and the Jersey Department of Health guidance and also includes the burlington county Department of Health.

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Jeff Arey: And if you are listening to the governor every day, making a new statement, even just yesterday he talked about how all students will be back in person full time.

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Jeff Arey: Instructions starting September 2021 with you know as far as remote learning he's saying there will be very few options for that to occur.

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Jeff Arey: So, looking at our school day when we return in September, it will be the same school schedule that we had pre pandemic, so your lower elementary schools will come in at 840 and dismissal, will be a 335 as it was previously.

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Jeff Arey: And you can follow the schedules, there are the other schools.

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Jeff Arey: There will be as we have now three feet of physical distancing.

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Jeff Arey: But the instructional minutes throughout the day will remain the same lunches may look a little bit differently uh James will talk about that in a second.

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Jeff Arey: But the core of it is that the instructional Minutes will remain the same, we take a look at the elementary classrooms you know that.

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Jeff Arey: Sometimes they can be very tight, we had to remove a lot of things from those classrooms to.

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Jeff Arey: Have the kids in there with three feet of social distancing so we're really trying hard to limit that class size to around 22 or 23.

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Jeff Arey: So we can make it look more like an elementary classroom again so maybe have a class library or a reading area or things along those lines we're trying to make that happen.

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Okay.

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Jeff Arey: Thank you, Dr Kate, thank you for all those independence live and in person as Dr T alluded this truly has been a collaborative process with our cabinet.

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Jeff Arey: Our building administration level of our administrators are our Morris county education, association and our administrators association, so thank you to all those involved in that process.

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Jeff Arey: Obviously reopening school school day that the number one question from an operational standpoint is lunch, and how are we going to do that.

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Jeff Arey: So we have taken a look at that as as we plan we're planning right now with the guidance, that we have in our hands, right now, with the thought process that.

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Jeff Arey: As further guidance becomes available or it gets adjusted, it is only going to get easier for us and we will be able to accommodate more students in the spaces, that we have.

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Jeff Arey: So, right now, what the lunch would look like is in order to accommodate physical distancing of six feet, which is the recommendation that exists right now and again, we have adjustments will be made as guidelines are outdated.

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Jeff Arey: We would have to put additional lunch periods in in certain areas to accommodate that physical distancing and to be able to use utilize our cafeterias.

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Jeff Arey: We also may have to utilize large spaces What do I mean by large spaces, I mean spaces, what we have done is we've identified spaces in the district.

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Jeff Arey: Where we need additional space for seeding for capacity with dedicated H fat H fact that's not branched to other groups during lunch it's dedicated to that one room.

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Jeff Arey: With upgraded filtration and hi exchange rates for turning over the air with outside air multiple times in an hour.

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Jeff Arey: So that's what that means our standardization, we know we have a pretty good idea of what that looks like we've been operating all year.

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Jeff Arey: doing our disinfecting procedures and or sad standardization for procedures, so we have a pretty good idea what that looks like our frequently touch areas that's all built into our daily plans as they exist now transportation.

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Jeff Arey: we're going to physically distance where practicable, the recommendation is that, currently, where we cannot mass will be required the windows on the bosses will be cracked or down to increase ventilation and then we have assigned seating or contact rate.

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Jeff Arey: Next slide please.

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Jeff Arey: Back to Dr K.

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Jeff Arey: Okay, thank you so on to some contingency plan so quarantine.

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Jeff Arey: My favorite topic so quarantining of you know, for September 2021 if there's a situation where a student needs to quarantine and some of you may have had this experience this year.

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Jeff Arey: Whether it before, when you return from travel or or, if you have if you're in close contact, we will be able to have students.

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Jeff Arey: log into their classroom synchronous synchronously for pre K through 12 students will be invited into the classroom to participate, the zoom or Google meet.

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Jeff Arey: We know that's a little more challenging at the K three level we plan to deploy or have available to us power professionals to assist with that with that quarantine situation and that online learning.

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Jeff Arey: So you know, in the quarantine also and I had mentioned travel it isn't it isn't it if you are, you know, on the beach and you're going to log into your classroom that's that's not what we mean, but if you are quarantine for a reason.

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Jeff Arey: That is approved by the school, then, then you would be logging in when you return hopefully we're not dealing with quarantine September.

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Jeff Arey: So, in the event.

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Jeff Arey: Hopefully, in the unlikely event that we have a mandated school closure.

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Jeff Arey: You know, whether it be by the governor or.

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Jeff Arey: burlington county Department of Health or or whatever it may be.

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Jeff Arey: You know, we are prepared to go into a full remote learning situation we've learned a lot this year.

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Jeff Arey: Based on what we know now, we will be able to go into that we believe right away elementary pre K to six schedules would work.

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Jeff Arey: On the five day week schedule obviously nine to three and secondary would be in session from 830 to 230 and what you're looking at there, as you know, a shortened lunch period and.

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Jeff Arey: Your class period shortened a little bit as well, this will allow for contractual hours and obligations to be met and allow for some additional planning time, as we know, planning time for remote learning takes a lot longer.

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Jeff Arey: So continuing transparency and communication moving forward on may 24 that is the date that we've been given by the state that this safe return plan template will be made available.

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Jeff Arey: we're hoping that it's early on that day, and not late on that day, because time is of the essence.

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Jeff Arey: So on may 24 that will be made available on may 25, we will have a sign up sheet that will be circulated for a parent Forum that will occur virtually on June 2 to discuss the plan.

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Jeff Arey: That that week of May 24 it's kind of going to be fast and furious.

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Jeff Arey: Obviously, with that template being made available, we think we have a pretty good idea what that template it's going to contain and some of it whatever lap to what we have going on this year or cleaning sanitation, all that sort of stuff.

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Jeff Arey: So more to come on that June 15 to plan does require board approval so June 15 at a regular schedule board meeting the the plan would.

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Jeff Arey: be included on that agenda for board approval and August 18 we would utilize that board meeting to ultimately communicate any changes to that plan based on.

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Jeff Arey: Changing guidance from either CDC or the Department of Health and then September 8 that's obviously the big day that's the big day we return five full days of school for the 2122 school.

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Jeff Arey: yeah so so the one.

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Jeff Arey: The one area where we do believe additional lunch periods will be need it is at the high school level.

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Jeff Arey: Through I don't know if you'd like to touch on that or.

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Jeff Arey: And then, in terms of masking and hopefully.

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Jeff Arey: New Jersey will catch up to.

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Jeff Arey: The rest of the country and will require masking prevacid masks for vaccinated people but.

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Jeff Arey: You know, especially for younger students that may not be eligible for vaccines is there been any thought yet to having mask breaks.

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Jeff Arey: Those students and staff have to wear a mask during the day.

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Jeff Arey: I do believe that mass plagues freaks are given now currently so you know, certainly, something that we would include for next year.

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Jeff Arey: hey Thank you very much thank you so much, David James I know this is above and beyond what you're normally doing and you're working 24 seven practically on all of this, so we do greatly appreciate it, I did want to mention James I think our board meeting on August it's August 17.

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So you know.

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Jeff Arey: Thank you very much.

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Jeff Arey: Our next we were supposed to have the unsung heroes presentation, but unfortunately dream is not here tonight, so we will do that next month.

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Jeff Arey: Great Thank you gibson we are ready for our student reports.

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Jeff Arey: Nice and quick tonight, so thank you for all, for being here in person.

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Jeff Arey: If you want.

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Jeff Arey: hi everyone, my name is Carrie Fisher and I'm the senior liaison.

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Jeff Arey: And I am so excited to speak because we have so many fun events coming up and I'm just beyond thankful that my senior year is ending with some sense of normalcy so our stuff is in your draft we leave for Universal Studios this.

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Jeff Arey: And a little less than half the class is going, this year, which is exciting it's like a small group will be spending a lot of quality time together.

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Jeff Arey: we're already looking forward to it we're going to Busch Gardens for a day we're going to Disney for dinner for one night and like we just have a lot of fun stuff then we're going to go karting and.

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Jeff Arey: All sorts of good stuff so my Harry Potter T shirt came in today I'm really excited about it.

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Jeff Arey: Mr. McGough and I are planning on the taste testing every type of butter beer in the same day that's exciting and then the other final portion about that is that now.

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Jeff Arey: Finally, fully vaccinated students do not have to quarantine upon return so spring athletes, no longer have to miss as much as their playoff seasons, as they regulate were expected to if they are vaccinated.

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Jeff Arey: And that's really exciting for them, because many of them are playing sports and probably for the last time.

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Jeff Arey: So next is prob junior and senior prom it's combined now, which is different than last one, which is exciting and just shows how quickly things change is.

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Jeff Arey: now taking place on Wednesday June 16 and you are now permitted to bring guests from other grades and from outside the school district, which is exciting, because I know a lot of people who are waiting for that.

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Jeff Arey: problem tickets will be at \$5 a person that can be purchased hopefully by the end of the week in genesis and then there will be a separate form for dates from outside of the district to fill out.

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Jeff Arey: and planning has been going great students, especially myself have been heavily involved in the planning to ensure that the class of 2021 to one and only promised me just will be what to remember.

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Jeff Arey: And even though it is in the parking lot I am so excited because we just have so many cool things like we have a red carpet and we have the food trucks and, like all this stuff that no other problem has ever had before.

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Jeff Arey: And like I was fortunate enough to go to prom sophomore year and this is just going to be totally different and i'm so excited and of course it's my senior year so.

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Jeff Arey: i'm just really looking forward to it and then that last week of school, along with probably have a ton of fun things taking place Monday is the last day of formal instruction I think that's.

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Jeff Arey: That philosophy of formal instruction for me just students, and that is also senior recognition night.

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Jeff Arey: Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of that week are going to be an elongated pep rally which typically happens in the fall.

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Jeff Arey: For I may just students so Tuesday we have pep rally and then we have our senior picnic, which is something that takes place every year.

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Jeff Arey: And then at night we have outdoor movie night which we've been trying to get together all year so so exciting that that's finally happening.

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Jeff Arey: One site is pep rally and then we have prom from seven to 10 that night and then that Thursday is also a pep rally and some other seo activities and then, of course, that Friday the 13th month from today, which is so terribly is graduation wow.

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Jeff Arey: And then pep rally which I just said, will be broken up longer than usual, just to allow like for social distancing will take place in the stadium.

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Jeff Arey: Every grade is getting their typical collared shirt I just filled out my T shirt form today.

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Jeff Arey: that's exciting, because I, as a senior you look forward to getting your black senior shirt with your name on the back, so all of that is happening, which is just so amazing because of the fall it just really did not look like stuff like this is going to be able to happen.

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Jeff Arey: And we are hoping that people will be able to spectate each event, if you're not participating in it, but that is still tbd.

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Jeff Arey: Of course, and our cause that week is fighting for naughty and she is a student a junior NHS that's been diagnosed with brain cancer.

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Jeff Arey: So one of our seo activities during that last week of school will be a five K run slash walk in support of her, and then the proceeds from our T shirt sales for depression through junior classes, will also be going to support.

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Jeff Arey: that's really exciting that we get to do something for one of our students.

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Jeff Arey: And then graduation will be in person with the entire class and attendance at the same ceremony which is just so awesome because we get to do one last thing together as a class.

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Jeff Arey: And each.

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Jeff Arey: Student will be allowed for tickets for their family to attend, which is typical so it just it's like so incredibly normal another show amazing.

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Jeff Arey: And project grand is happening, this year, and that will take place following graduation as well, so all the seniors leaders really looking forward to the next one.

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Jeff Arey: Up super fun events, and I feel like I can speak on behalf of the senior class and I said that we are just so thankful to have this stuff we're so thankful that the school, has been working so hard to make sure that we have some sense of normalcy to end our senior.

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Jeff Arey: And finally, that is quite bittersweet to say that this is my last meeting next month next month, I will be setting a movie night and taking part in that.

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Jeff Arey: Long week i've seen your activities and then after graduation that we're so thankful to have.

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Jeff Arey: So I just wanted to take this opportunity to thank you for letting me speak for these past three years it's been such an incredible opportunity so i'm so thankful to be part of this.

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Jeff Arey: And I also want to thank this Japan he of course forgiving student Council members this opportunity and for miss Warren for believing me and she so.

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Jeff Arey: lovely for so lovely to give me this opportunity sophomore year and I was absolutely terrified she listened to me stress out about it.

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Jeff Arey: For three years since then, but i'm so thankful that you made me do this because it is my favorite thing ever and i'm confident that i'm leaving you.

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Jeff Arey: in good hands with the underclassmen but i'm definitely going to mess this up just thank you so much for this opportunity and for listening to speak.

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So.

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Jeff Arey: I just have to say before they're going to go, but just thank you Tara for your positivity and your energy and even through the virtual world and in person.

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Jeff Arey: is always great to have you here and have you speak so we wish you the best and have fun in Florida, and we wish to the most normal graduation that office, so thank you for being here with us.

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Jeff Arey: And we'd love all of you to just had to make that comment to Kara cuz she's leaving, unfortunately.

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Jeff Arey: I hi everybody, my name is Claire her and i'm a junior class liaison, as you can see from kara's very long presentation, there is a lot going on and seeing a counselor right now.

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Jeff Arey: I would definitely like to thank our advisors, for helping us and guiding us through this chaotic time.

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Jeff Arey: We are rapidly approaching promise CARA talked about my mom and I are helping out with decorations and we are planning on making three to four shandel years to hang in the tense.

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Jeff Arey: To us at the color scheme of pink flowers and working on that so we'll see how they turn out.

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Jeff Arey: And currently seeing a counselor is planning a spirit week for the last week of school, and this will consist of split days containing pep rally and seo activities.

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Jeff Arey: Which jocko also talk about and our foundation is the fight for not easy fight like a girl, and the junior class is working on a specific junior seo activity.

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Jeff Arey: And we decided after forming the committee to talk to just general junior class volunteers, we decided to host a career fair over zoom.

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Jeff Arey: So we're really looking forward to that I don't know if any of you know what peloton is i'm an avid peloton, or so I actually DM three my favorite instructors so we'll see if they come.

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Jeff Arey: I will keep you updated on that justin's Vex gentry and Adrian Williams, I can give you the link, if you want to have a little q&a with them they're pretty cool.

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Jeff Arey: And I also perform the musical and that our goals and we just finished performing our musical is direct Mina it was at baker elementary school.

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Jeff Arey: was freed the Community, but we also had a live stream for \$5 per device and not to flex we had international viewers of the live stream.

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Jeff Arey: They were my grandparents in Canada, but that's less important um it was a really great opportunity in this really difficult time and i'm definitely very thankful to the horrors and to administration and just.

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Jeff Arey: really helping us get through it all and putting just an amazing and incredible amount of effort into something that we all love very much and is the best part of the year, so thank you very much and i'll see jack.

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Jeff Arey: All right, hi my name is jack and i'm the City Council representative little freshman class and i'm here today to brief the update us on the es El de plan for this year.

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Jeff Arey: Student Council is working on developing plants present social emotional learning activities for the last week of school.

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Jeff Arey: The social emotional learning they'll be somewhat similar to one in the winter that we had, and since the winter, when we ran a survey.

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Jeff Arey: To see which activities events students attended enjoy the most and we adjusted this one, to be more enjoyable and connected.

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Jeff Arey: We took suggestions and feedback from students spend the last to improve this one each class will present on different topics and create activities for each home.

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Jeff Arey: And these social emotional topics will try to cover things students face or have to maintain in their everyday lives and help inform students about and said topic.

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Jeff Arey: We believe that is important chance to give students a break mega school and connect them socially emotionally as the name suggests.

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Jeff Arey: Thank you all so much we truly truly appreciate you being here and a lot of time for me, I know this is the highlight a lot.

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Jeff Arey: Of the meeting, so thank you for being here i'm sure, a lot of us feel that way as well, it gives us connection to the schools and the students and that's always so important, so thank you.

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Jeff Arey: I know this has been a long year and a hard year for you to especially all of you, so thank you for putting in the extra time as well.

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Jeff Arey: We will be moving on but feel free to stay feel free to go i'm sure you have plenty of other plans for tonight, maybe homework, maybe not but, but thank you for being here.

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Jeff Arey: On to our board committee reports.

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For curriculum.

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Jeff Arey: So the curriculum.

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Jeff Arey: The curriculum committee met on May 6 which was just two weeks after the previous meeting in attendance were carried Butler Scott McCartney Dave Tate Jeff Eric Sondra already make weeks learn from mono and myself.

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Jeff Arey: So one of the things we discussed was the Dr Benton had come in for an in person meeting with the district supervisors and they discussed 2021 curriculum writing.

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Jeff Arey: The addition of language that would need needed to satisfy Jersey compliance for cultural responsibility and diversity.

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Jeff Arey: And one of the things that we talked about was making sure that this additional language addresses the rationale of benefit to all students that something like this does have.

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Jeff Arey: It is the it was I shouldn't say now, the focus of the district wide PD on 514 again that cultural responsive teaching and learning.

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Jeff Arey: Then we talked about the 2021 2022 school year Jeff airy spoke to the potential learning management system or LM s that that he had looked at, so they had a meeting with canvas representatives and at that time it was deemed that canvas wasn't necessarily the right fit.

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Jeff Arey: One of the things we talked about was trying to figure out exactly what teachers and staff would like an LM s to facilitate, what are the kinds of things that it would make easier and then sort of target the search going forward based on that.

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Jeff Arey: The whole idea of being that we really would like to capitalize and sustain a lot of the ingenuity innovation that the district to seen at the classroom and building levels this past year.

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Jeff Arey: One of the other things we discussed where the potential teaching utilizing the S or funding for the future teaching positions.

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Jeff Arey: Obviously, these are dependent on enrollment the goal clearly to maximize the resources available to students and decrease classroom size, the building level whenever possible.

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Jeff Arey: And with that the tentative plan for utilizing these funds is three have one per building reading and math support teacher, I think a two three level.

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Jeff Arey: To us, support teachers one reading and one math I think the way it works out each is part time but that that was the way the split scheduling worked an additional teacher at South valley and an additional teacher of Roberts and a school psychologist to support the entire district.

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Jeff Arey: And I think that the funding, while these are one or two years.

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Jeff Arey: that's that's the intent is to sort of use these fundings going forward and the last thing was for the personal development plan and Carol Butler will.

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Jeff Arey: Again, continue to plan the September, but with a handoff to Dr Benton in July, hopefully with a lot of the legwork figured out and then making a making a more substantive plan for next year's PD then.

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Jeff Arey: aren't any board members of questions.

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Jeff Arey: I also did want to thank Dr Benton I know she was at curriculum meeting she's here tonight and she's transitioning still working in her own.

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Jeff Arey: So we appreciate all the time you're giving us in the interim, and thank you for being here tonight we are very excited for you to come, but I know you still have some time left to their district, so thank you.

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Jeff Arey: Okay, no questions curriculum let's move on.

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Jeff Arey: Okay policy met on may 3 in attendance we're about learned this law miss Romano Mr on the waiver and myself.

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Jeff Arey: Quite a number of policies on for first reading tonight, the bulk of the policies fun, there are mostly language changes as a result of the law changes from no child left behind, to the every student succeeds act.

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Jeff Arey: i'm going to highlight a couple ones that aren't language changes.

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Jeff Arey: 2415 point to outlines complaint resolution procedures for.

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Jeff Arey: every student succeeds act 6360 expand is expanded to capture any federally funded Program.

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Jeff Arey: At 330 and 9797 13 include an opt out disclosure for student records and military recruitment.

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Jeff Arey: And then, just a quick review of what's on second reading here 0145 changes board member resignation every removal.

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Jeff Arey: from any three minutes to three consecutive means.

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Jeff Arey: 016 4.6 is a process revision on how to conduct public board meetings during a declared emergency.

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Jeff Arey: 1642 and 1643 or changes to the sick leave Act and the family leave act as a result of pandemic.

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Jeff Arey: Of 53 30.01 is just a language change.

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Jeff Arey: 7425 the lead testing of water in schools is a mandated change from testing for every six years to every three years.

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Jeff Arey: or any questions.

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Jeff Arey: Thank you, since thanks jack and David Korea and Sandra actually aren't here, so I will see if they have any Minutes that they could share I don't have they didn't share them with me I don't believe in sharing minutes with you.

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Jeff Arey: Okay.

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Jeff Arey: Okay.

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Jeff Arey: Okay, that would be great well so we'll forward any minutes from Dave and Dr Sandra and any of those committees, I did want to mention the Community forum.

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Jeff Arey: Now I don't remember we had moved the day to just for Sandra we're doing another our final in the series of exploring race and racism, but I believe we are looking at June 8 more information will come out on that, I just wanted to make sure to get the date out.

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Jeff Arey: At this meeting, but we will circulate their minutes and any reports on that, but I just want to make sure we at least put the data for that anyone had any off board committees to share reports.

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Jeff Arey: I do.

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Jeff Arey: For more.

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Jeff Arey: So, unfortunately, I was unable to attend the meeting.

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Jeff Arey: My son's baseball game took precedence, but they shared with me some notes from their last meeting so they wanted me to note that they're currently reviewing scholarship applications this week for senior rewards.

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Jeff Arey: They also approve the grant request from Sergei genco for senior coral awards.

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Jeff Arey: They are compiling a slate for their 2021 board anyone who's interested in joining the more arts board as welcome to contact.

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Jeff Arey: contact them and put their name forward by emailing more arts at Mt P s COM.

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Jeff Arey: They also wanted to extend their their congratulations to Heidi Ray who won the governor's Award for art and then also Eleanor to Sean, who was the south Jersey vocal award winner I think they're both high school more sun high school students.

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Jeff Arey: And then, finally, the board wanted to.

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Jeff Arey: share their best wishes for health and and much health and happiness for two.

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Jeff Arey: Two outstanding.

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Jeff Arey: People who contributed to the arts in the schools, who are both leaving one retiring and one.

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Jeff Arey: Moving on to pursue some educational opportunities so uh Chris norris band director and Sergei genco who were both leaving.

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Jeff Arey: And so they wanted to let everyone know it's been a pleasure collaborating with them and I individually will echo that knowing both of them, I have a daughter who's a magical as well, so.

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Jeff Arey: definitely going to miss both of them and appreciate their efforts so anyway, that was the update that I wanted to share from morals great thanks Nick any other.

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Jeff Arey: just wanted to actually just mentioned from me if the moorestown education foundation who learned and I serve on as well, they are always looking for volunteers to join them whether it's on committees or on.

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Jeff Arey: Just as the foundation itself, they do a lot of great things, most importantly, is that if fund a lot of the innovative grants that teachers.

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Jeff Arey: put in for and that's where a lot of the stem money comes from different projects that the.

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Jeff Arey: district really doesn't have the budget for and a lot of new and innovative things come out of the Foundation, so we are always looking for more members we're actually very light right now, so if you or you know anyone that's interested in joining the Foundation.

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Jeff Arey: You could let myself know deb tosh chakrabarti and georgina words in ski or the President and Vice President, but they are always looking for, and especially now, we are looking for volunteers just wanted to put that out there.

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Jeff Arey: Okay that's concluding our committee reports, so we are going into public comment, I think the podium is all set up for that hopefully the MIC is working now.

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Jeff Arey: So um can I have a motion to open the floor for public comment, thank you, second.

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Jeff Arey: Thank you all in favor.

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Jeff Arey: Great so as we move into public comment, please come to the podium and state your name and address you will have three minutes to speak.

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Jeff Arey: As you know, this isn't necessarily a question and answer and it's always best to follow up with an email, please don't address board members individually, and please be respectful when making comments.

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Jeff Arey: We are an educational community and we set appropriate expectations for our students and we serve as role models and we aware of how there are many.

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Jeff Arey: deeply held feelings of public interest and we want to have Community feedback, however, we just want to make sure we are respectful in the comments that we make.

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Jeff Arey: So thank you and whoever wants to come to the podium first just come up then state your name and address, please.

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Jeff Arey: Good evening cladding Leoni for 25 older Shaw avenue.

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Jeff Arey: So, most of my questions are questions, so I hope someone can answer after the fact, or now it's mostly on transparency and questions related to the hiring of the interim.

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Jeff Arey: hiring the permanent and as well as the fall plans, and I know you're doing the parent forum but wondering if you're using a reactivating the re entry committee that had parents and teachers and.

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Jeff Arey: Community members and board members, so my first question question related to the interim is and maybe it's just a general question or it should be.

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Jeff Arey: On your website, what is the process, I mean, is it just the board reviewing the resumes or is there other people outside the board that have.

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Jeff Arey: input in that process so that's something I just a general question, I think we should know I don't know where it's laid out in your procedures to look at as far as I think to Mrs Shaw reference the.

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Jeff Arey: Permanent selection and that you would be seeking input from the Community, and I don't know if you're going to put a request for participation or how you're going to seek Community input.

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Jeff Arey: And then, finally, with three entry, you know, are you going to reactivate the reentry committee over the summer, if there's needs to get Community input.

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Jeff Arey: All question.

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Jeff Arey: and appreciate some sort of response at least I can go yeah I could definitely on the interim because I know that the interim process is basically the board reviewing.

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Jeff Arey: We did put out for applications we receive applications and is the board reviewing applications and pick em we interviewed people and then calling references, so the interim because it's a shorter.

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Jeff Arey: period of time that this person will serve it is a board function at this point, but the permanent search.

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Jeff Arey: We will select the firm and the firm because they're more productive will be conducting all the Community forums parent forums all of that, so that will be.

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Jeff Arey: That process will be outlined but we're using them to do that, and they will help us through the whole search process, and if that helps at all.

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Jeff Arey: Anything on the reentry committee as far as.

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Jeff Arey: reactivating I mean this quickly what I think and if things are do you want to jump in.

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Jeff Arey: i'm assuming that we're pretty much going back full time so i'm assuming we don't really need a reentry committee that's why we are having the parent forum, and we should have the plan approved by June 15 meet the the.

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Jeff Arey: department of ED is requesting that we prove it by June 15 so as far as I unless the it comes out in the play I think we're waiting, also for the guidance that comes out on may 24 if they say you need a reentry committee then.

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Jeff Arey: we'll have to have one but i'm assuming maybe not but I and also that's why I had the parent parent for him to kind of.

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Jeff Arey: My request is, if you do reactivate it since it's kind of stale that maybe you look at some of the Community Members that have been pretty vocal at the board meetings, and you know include them in the process yeah Thank you, thank you.

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Jeff Arey: Good evening, my name is Laura maniaci 816 loveland road so first i'm just really disappointed that we're not on zoom.

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Jeff Arey: I mean, this has been so good, this whole year we've been able to log in very busy parents to mean 200 500 700 parents have been able to listen in and ask questions.

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Jeff Arey: And it's really facilitated engagement of the Community, so my first comment is i'm just really disappointed with this board that you have eliminated that because I see this whole setup with the camera and the streaming.

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Jeff Arey: What could it possibly cost just to hit a zoom button, so that the Community could be engaged again, so I asked you to reconsider that.

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Jeff Arey: The second thing was I was disappointed with the math meeting two o'clock on a Thursday afternoon, people are working.

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Jeff Arey: There was a really important meeting that a lot of people wanted to go to and then, when we finally did login it was only 11 minutes and we didn't get the information that we need it to hear.

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Jeff Arey: From one of my questions is, is there a replacement for the curriculum that we currently have.

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Jeff Arey: Or is there just an internal modification, for example when cherry hill made this change, they are using a program called Eureka and they hire Eureka and you rick is the new curriculum, is that the curriculum that morristown is going to be using.

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Jeff Arey: And my last question, maybe you'll just address all my questions at the end here is.

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Jeff Arey: Can you tell me that this change to the math program is only going to be fourth and fifth grade, and there is no discussion, either in the short term or long term to D Group, or D level the math programs from sixth through eighth grade.

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Jeff Arey: And someone answer that.

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Jeff Arey: hi, thank you for coming tonight appreciate that.

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Jeff Arey: I can't answer the zoom question that's not for me it's for people down the road here.

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Jeff Arey: As far as the math meeting it was a little longer than 11 minutes mean it was on there with Mr Pat, Mrs Powell and the colby.

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Jeff Arey: was probably about a 20 minute conversation, and then we answered questions and answers that were presented to us.

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Jeff Arey: We left we did do the recording we actually added at one o'clock and realize that was a pickup time for the elementary.

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Jeff Arey: But we were trying to do it in the afternoon and then record it for some of the parents to watch and be able to see.

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Jeff Arey: So it is should be on our website for people to view at any time and go back and look at at their leisure and ask some questions if they need to.

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Jeff Arey: As far as our curriculum we currently have a curriculum for enriched classes and our advanced classes and are on grade level grade fourth grade five classes.

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Jeff Arey: As Julie mentioned in the meeting we are merging our enrichment class and our grade fourth grade five classes curriculum.

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Jeff Arey: So that we are upping raising the bar, so to speak for all students at that level and we're working with our teachers for professional development, for more differentiated instruction.

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Jeff Arey: And we're also revamping our challenge program so we're going to be identifying and supporting students that typically would have been identified.

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Jeff Arey: In the accelerated classes in our challenge programs, but the focus for it will not be just in math it will be in multiple areas more like stem science, technology art math engineering.

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Jeff Arey: And so we really hope that it's a more robust program we really hope that are mean our goal really for all this and we've been watching the numbers for years as Julie presented in her presentation.

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Jeff Arey: And we believe strongly that we want to increase and strengthen the skills that the kids have in fourth and fifth grade, so that when they get to sixth, seventh, eighth in high school.

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Jeff Arey: that they are prepared to take the math that they're able to take, and they want to take based on their career path.

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Jeff Arey: There is absolutely I mean how many times, we could say it, there is absolutely no desire to change 678 or high school courses none no conversation.

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Jeff Arey: No, not not even we haven't brought it up in any committee meeting we haven't talked about it at all.

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Jeff Arey: This grade, four and five collapse, so to speak, of the programs have been a good discussion internally.

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Jeff Arey: For at least six or seven years it's not a one year conversation we've been waiting to look at the numbers, so that we had the right data to make the right decisions.

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Jeff Arey: Julie colby is available myself as well to help answer any further individual questions that you might have for your child.

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Jeff Arey: it's hard to answer everyone's questions as a collective group so we rather do it, one on one if we haven't you can be through email or phone or zoom.

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Jeff Arey: Meeting if that's the case but promise you, there is no change at all for seven six through 12 it'll.

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Jeff Arey: Okay, did I answer all that i'm sorry, yes, no so I guess, just to clarify because I didn't hear the story in the math meeting and I did attend live and then watch it again afterwards.

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Jeff Arey: Are you saying the curriculum for fourth and fifth will now be what the enriched curriculum was, but it will apply to everybody, yes.

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Jeff Arey: But it went well the fourth enriched goes with the fourth grade and the fifth verse goes with the fifth grade and then it'll be a new fourth and fifth grade curriculum for them, yes okay.

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Jeff Arey: And, but i'm in so I guess, just as a parent like right now I can go on the website, and I can see the pacing guide and I can see the the.

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Jeff Arey: I have a fourth grader and a sixth grader Okay, as well as a kindergartener and a four year old so that's why you're busy especially interested in this topic and my.

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Jeff Arey: screen or just spent two years and enriched and I have a rising fifth grader okay so i'm just trying to understand, I can go on the website, right now, and I can see.

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Jeff Arey: The curriculum for enriched for both fifth and sixth grade, and I can see accelerated correct and I see the pacing.

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Jeff Arey: Is can I look to one of them for what's going to happen next year, are you going to release the whole new.

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Jeff Arey: Over the summer we're going to be merging them together to create a new document, so I would look in September for the for the new document okay and we're not using an outside program or paint no.

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Jeff Arey: I mean our program is pretty advanced if you if you came from the outside, into one of our math programs you typically don't qualify for our advanced classes.

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Jeff Arey: So, we feel that the trick, and that we have written is already above typical other districts outside of moorestown.

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Jeff Arey: But we are going to merge them together to create a new program for all kids in grade, four and five okay great I appreciate it, thank you.

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Jeff Arey: And just quickly on the meetings we are going to re evaluate how this is come our June communications.

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Jeff Arey: meeting and see how we wanted to get this up and running, we wanted to live stream it so that people could continue to watch it at least know what's going on.

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Jeff Arey: In our tech department has been quite busy with a lot of other things as well, so this was the best case scenario for us right now we are going to re evaluate again after our June meeting we wanted to get to meetings like this, to see how how it goes.

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Jeff Arey: Any other comments.

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Jeff Arey: hi Nicola Hampton 725 North stanwyck and a couple of things, firstly I want in person to thank you all for all the work you've done in the last 18 months.

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Jeff Arey: Full disclosure I haven't agreed with everything but I truly believe you've done your best every every turn, and I really appreciate that.

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Jeff Arey: I just senior graduate last year have senior graduating this year, you know what it's working so thank you it's you can't please everybody in this case it's hard to please anybody, this is a really tough time and I truly believe your journey, so thank you.

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Jeff Arey: I don't one question that is related to all of this and it's time sensitive, so the seniors are going on their trip on Saturday, thank you missile silo and the team for making that happen and those who are not vaccinated are still being asked quarantine.

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Jeff Arey: That is not the requirement for the CDC or New Jersey any longer last week it was taken away that, even if you haven't been vaccinated you do not have to quarantine for domestic travel.

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Jeff Arey: So I know it's hard to make those changes quickly, but what it means is I my daughter's vaccinated this isn't personal.

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Jeff Arey: And what it means is those kids who are coming back from senior trip because of that pushed out for very obvious reasons, are going to miss seven or 10 days of their last 15 days of school.

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Jeff Arey: So I would ask you to take 10 minutes reevaluate you know talk to the experts, you need to and see if there's any way.

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Jeff Arey: You can let those handful of kids who are going, who are not vaccinated come back to school play the sport see their friends and engage in that last you know, two weeks of school.

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Jeff Arey: it's a significant period to miss in a very small window and they've already missed, so much so, if you can whoever does that if you can get together and have another thing can see what you can do for those kids as we appreciate it.

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Jeff Arey: Thank you.

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Jeff Arey: Thanks i'm Jill fallows macaluso and I live at 800 golf you and I have a couple of comments, one is very specific and it's an area of opportunity that i'd like the board to address.

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Jeff Arey: For the remainder of the school year as well as for next year and that's our policies or standards regarding mass breaks.

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Jeff Arey: I heard the discussion at the table this evening and it wasn't accurate, based on the experiences of my children, I have three students.

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Jeff Arey: And the masking practices for breaks are vastly different across the schools and across the different teachers.

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Jeff Arey: I have one daughter who's not able to take her mask off at all, except to take a SIP of water, occasionally, even at gym or walking around the track.

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Jeff Arey: And I have another daughter who's actually able to I sort of laugh at the discussion around lunch, because the elementary schools have been having lunch for months I pack a full lunch and send her with that now.

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Jeff Arey: To be consistent with her pure classmates they you know go outside they go in the cafeteria they're taking their masks off they say succeed apart and have lunch, so I really think the board needs to take a closer look.

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Jeff Arey: At consistent standards and really leverage the opportunity to increase outdoor mask breaks for the health and wellness Center children, especially given the state of affairs with the governor and the CDC who's sitting those requirements.

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Jeff Arey: So thank you for the High Level plan, I also appreciate all of your efforts, I finally do see light at the under the tunnel.

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Jeff Arey: But, unlike the previous speaker, I do I think you've worked hard, but there hasn't been a lot of productivity or innovative spirit.

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Jeff Arey: Coming from the school district or from this board of education, you kind of continue to do the bare minimum and meet, whatever the new standards that are coming out from the government are so that continues to disappoint me.

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Jeff Arey: As a general matter i've done a lot of reflecting over the past 12 plus months.

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Jeff Arey: The experiences that i've had and seen and observed through getting close to this.

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Jeff Arey: challenge of learning during the pandemic.

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Jeff Arey: it's really kind of shined a light on me for me on a systemic problem that I see in the school district, I think that we have a systemic culture problem I think it's limited transparency.

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Jeff Arey: it's not inclusive and it's fraught with bias, you know, for example, we keep hearing we want to increase inclusion.

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Jeff Arey: But I actually haven't seen any steps taken in fact i've seen steps taken backwards, for example, tonight by eliminating the zoom and ability for parents to comment.

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Jeff Arey: Virtually so that's disappointing, I hear about the upcoming parent forums, but i'll see believe it when I see it, because other things have been planned, and then not happened stuck and this goes hand in hand with inclusion and that really is this fear of speaking up.

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Jeff Arey: When I got involved in this, in February of this year, countless parents told me their stories about being retaliated marginalized or treated negatively in some way for speaking up about their concerns and I have now had my own personal experiences.

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Jeff Arey: I think you know third from scratch and up till I think your time is okay great my third is, we need an independent unbiased board that doesn't act in the special interest of the.

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Jeff Arey: Particularly the MBA, so I would just urge the board to really look at this culture problem it transcends the pandemic and it's important for the future of our town and the best interest of our students, thank you, thank you.

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Jeff Arey: anyone else.

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Jeff Arey: Tom Schneider to nine shuffling can have.

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Jeff Arey: I just want to like caution against the Board and the school pushing kids to be vaccinated and remind everyone that this is still a clinical trial and the trial is continue until 22 or 2023.

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Jeff Arey: And there's absolutely zero long term safety data so as you try and distinguish between you know.

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01:03:24.750 --> 01:03:36.900

Jeff Arey: kids coming back, are you vaccinated do they have to wear a mask you know if you start doing it some dichotomy there of separating kids based on whether they're vaccinated I think we have big problem.

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Jeff Arey: I know we were in the pharma capital of the world, but.

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Jeff Arey: I think we need to slow down, you know the governor's position It may be the union's pushing it to push it, but I don't think it's any place for to school be pushing experimental medical treatments on kids.

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01:04:20.880 --> 01:04:38.640

Jeff Arey: Okay, moving on to reports to the board business administrator board Secretary one financial reports of the Board Secretary to cafeteria report three approval, a budget transfer is for approval of bills, can I please have a motion to approve items one through four.

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Jeff Arey: Thank you, second second Thank you any questions or comments.

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Jeff Arey: All in favor Aye and he knows extensions.

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Jeff Arey: Great recommendations of the superintendent or next the 2020 2021 student safety data system report period one.

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Jeff Arey: Can I please have emotion.

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Jeff Arey: Thank you, second.

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Jeff Arey: Any questions or comments.

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Jeff Arey: No, thank you, sherry for reporting on this all in favor.

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Jeff Arey: Thank you.

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Jeff Arey: Next, our policies and procedures one first reading of policies to second reading of policies can I please have a motion to approve items one and two.

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Jeff Arey: Thank you any questions comments.

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Jeff Arey: All in favor.

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01:05:39.810 --> 01:05:40.080

Jeff Arey: Aye.

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Jeff Arey: Any knows Ascension no educational program burlington county alternate school placement for 2020 2021.

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Jeff Arey: Can I please have emotion.

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Jeff Arey: Thank you, second.

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Jeff Arey: Thank you any questions comments.

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Jeff Arey: All in favor I under finance and business number one travel expenditures approval request number two approval of state contract and consortium vendor purchases.

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01:06:12.450 --> 01:06:23.250

Jeff Arey: Three student field trip for tax schedule five school health insurance fund six tuition rates can I please have a motion to approve items one through six.

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Jeff Arey: Thank you, thank you, questions or comments.

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Jeff Arey: On paper.

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Jeff Arey: And he knows extensions.

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Jeff Arey: Great moving on to employee relations, one is appointments.

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Jeff Arey: We are going to take out support staff, a vote correct yes.

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Jeff Arey: Number to leave of absence and extension to leave of absence and three is retirements.

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Jeff Arey: And for resignations five substitutes six professional development presenters seven.

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Jeff Arey: reappointment corrections.

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01:07:07.590 --> 01:07:23.610

Jeff Arey: movement on salary guide nine extended school year staff and 10 E SS a title one tutors can and we're taking out number 11 as well, can I please have a motion to approve items one through 10.

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Jeff Arey: everyone's tired tonight it's not even that late.

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Jeff Arey: Second.

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Jeff Arey: Thank you any questions or comments.

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Jeff Arey: I think.

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you're.

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Jeff Arey: ready to use this, I just want to say, thanks to Mr norris I don't see I don't see him here, but I know he's on he's on the retirement list.

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Jeff Arey: and

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Jeff Arey: You know I don't I don't unfortunately have kids in the high school to.

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Jeff Arey: receive the benefit of his band instruction, but I know he was always awesome to watch the football games and always did a great job, so thank you, Mr norris Thank you i'm not sure we might have retirement next meeting on June we'll have him here, probably mark to see them.

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Jeff Arey: I think we need a roll call vote for this one James right.

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This is.

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Dr snyder yes.

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Yes, we.

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Jeff Arey: Just the weinstein.

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Jeff Arey: Romano yes.

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Jeff Arey: Yes.

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Jeff Arey: Thank you, on to subsist suspensions and him report them we have informational only enrollment information.

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Jeff Arey: Then we have old business.

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Jeff Arey: We have the school security have done them, we do not, we do not, we.

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Jeff Arey: were on the January Oh, maybe.

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Jeff Arey: Okay okay good I did not i've had a note to myself but that's even better okay.

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Jeff Arey: Any new business that anyone needs old business or new business anyone wants to share.

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Jeff Arey: No Okay, we will have a second public comment in case anyone wants to make any additional comments if we could have a motion to open the floor.

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Jeff Arey: Thank you, second.

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Jeff Arey: All in favor.

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Jeff Arey: Any.

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Jeff Arey: Anyone going to make any more comments or.

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Jeff Arey: I guess.

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Jeff Arey: No okay motion to close public comment.

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Jeff Arey: Thank you, second.

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Jeff Arey: All in favor Aye.

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Jeff Arey: Okay, can I have a motion to adjourn.

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Jeff Arey: Thanks Thank you second.

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Jeff Arey: Thank you Thank you everyone for coming it was great to see everyone in person and all my colleagues, so thank you for coming out tonight.

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Jeff Arey: All in favor.

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Jeff Arey: we're done Thank you everyone.