

**MEDFIELD SCHOOL COMMITTEE**  
**Zoom Remote Meeting - Community Forum**  
**August 16, 2021**

**PRESENT:** Jessica Reilly - Chair  
Leo Brehm -Vice - Chair  
Timothy Knight - Recording Secretary  
Meghan Glenn - Financial Secretary  
Anna Mae O'Shea Brooke - Member at Large

**ALSO PRESENT:** Jeffrey Marsden - Superintendent of Schools  
Michael LaFrancesca - Director of Finance and Operations  
Kathy Thompson - Nurse Leader  
Andrea Moores - Secretary

The School Committee Chair called for a Roll Call to begin the meeting:

- Leo Brehm- yes
- Timothy Knight- yes
- Meghan Glenn -yes
- Jessica Reilly -yes

The meeting began at 7:09 pm.

Ms. Anna Mae O'Shea Brooke joined the meeting after the Roll Call.

Ms. Jessica Reilly explained the parameters of the Community Forum and public comment.

**Overview of the Massachusetts Department of Health(DPH) and the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education(DESE) Back to School Guidance - presented by Dr. Jeffrey Marsden**

Dr. Marsden began his presentation by thanking the following members of the school community, for their support over the past the past sixteen months:

- Teachers, nurses, teacher assistants, administrators, custodians, secretaries, and cafeteria workers
- Parents
- Medfield School Committee
- Medfield Board of Health
- Community Members
- Town of Medfield

Dr. Marsden's began his presentation by sharing that the DPH/DESE requires that all districts and schools will be required to be in-person, full-time, five days a week this fall and continues to encourage schools to maintain ventilation upgrades from this past year as feasible, continue hand hygiene practices, and extend policies for students and staff to stay home when sick.

Dr. Marsden's presentation covered the following topics:

- Ventilation and HVAC Systems
- Masking
- COVID - 19 Testing
- Contact Tracing and Quarantine Protocols

Dr. Marsden explained that feedback is important as the district considers the reopening options for September 2021. He asked that feedback and comments be limited to DESE/MDPH Guidance shared and there would be no discussions pertaining to operational issues at this time.

Ms. Jessica Reilly opened the meeting to public comment after Dr. Marsdens' presentation. The following community members shared their comments pertaining to the DESE and DPH School Reopening Guidance for the 2021 -2022 school year:

- Marla Beck, 20 Pueblo Road
- Russell & Kristen Morse, 84 Harding Street
- Sarah Kachin- Liu, 6 Steven Lane
- Sara Sokolowski, 27 Hawthorne Road
- Kate Landers, 29 Nebo Street
- Jaclyn Corrigan, 11 Homestead Drive
- Mary Beth Reddy, 7 Charlesdale Road
- Meredith Flannery, 10 Newport Lane
- Sylvia Cooper, 250 South Street
- Stacie Palmer, 5 Baker Road
- Andrea Sullivan - 7 Pine Grove Road
- Melanie Winfrey, 38 Vinald Road
- Matt Costello, 20 Garry Drive
- Lauren Liljegren, 35A South Street
- Jill Frattaroli, 9 Fieldstone Drive
- Sonali Pandia & Alex Martinez, 8 Hickory Drive
- Jules Hoffman, 16 Oak Street
- Sonja Morin, 63 Harding Street
- Kristen Kumar, 59 Orchard Street

Ms. Jessica Reilly closed the public comment portion of the forum at 8:38 pm.

Dr. Marsden thanked everyone for their thoughtful comments and feedback. He stated that the decisions made may not make everyone happy but will be made by keeping in mind what is in the best interest of students.

Ms. Jessica Reilly stated that the Public Input Comment Form will be kept open until Monday, August 23rd at 5:00 pm.

#### **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

- Deliberation and Vote on the September School Reopening Plan
- School Committee Role Reorganization
- MASC Policy Manual Project Update

#### **NEXT MEETING - August 23, 2021**


A motion was made by Mr. Leo Brehm, seconded by Ms. Anna Mae O'Shea Brooke to adjourn the meeting.

A Roll Call Vote was taken to adjourn the meeting:

- Leo Brehm- yes
- Timothy Knight- yes
- Meghan Glenn -yes
- Anna Mae O'Shea Brooke- yes
- Jessica Reilly -yes

The meeting was adjourned at 8:41 pm.

**EXHIBITS AND DOCUMENTS**

- DESE/MDHP Back to School Guidance 8/16/2021
- Parent Guardian Comment Form
- Meeting Video:  School Committee Public Forum Meeting (08-16-2021)

Respectfully submitted,  
Andrea Moores  
Secretary

**Minutes Approved by School Committee: September 9, 2021**