

# MAROA-FORSYTH C.U.S.D. #2

## Back-to-School COMMITTEE MINUTES

January 12, 2022 1:00 PM

### High School Conference Room

#### Agenda

1. Call to Order-1:04
2. Roll Call-Darin Duzan and Lori Willoughby (committee members: Kahler, Stewart, Reynolds, Sheppard, Lerner, Scott, and Hickey)
3. Citizens Wishing to Address the Committee-William Parker addressed the committee-wanting students to have masks optional, length of time students have been wearing masks (7.5 hours per day for 1.5 years), and HCRCA is still law, and agrees BOE, Admin, Teachers and District have best interest of our students in mind

#### Learning & Discussion

4. COVID Protocols
  - Kahler shared that Friday, January 7, IDPH, CDC, and ISBE guidelines changed to shortened exclusions, all school contacts can test to stay, not required to test to return, if not enough staff and we have to close it is considered an emergency day (follows our state approved e-learning plan) not an adaptive pause, and IHSA is pulling host sites for state series (for indoor sports) if not following mask mandate and they would need to be notified.
  - Lerner shared survey results (included with two more responses since the meeting on Wednesday), and if masks became optional teachers don't want to have to decide or police who is and isn't supposed to be wearing a mask and do not want it if it means we are excluding more students
5. Update of COVID Plan
  - Committee discussed next step

#### Action

6. Recommendations for full board
  - Action Plan is:
    - Admin and MFEA will meet and discuss parameters of what a mask optional would look like Jan 17-28 (this would be for data collection)
    - FAQ meetings with all staff and survey all staff/parents including parameters Jan 31-Feb 4
    - Analyze data and include in board packet Feb 7-11

7. Adjournment-2:53

Attest:

