### **APPROVED MINUTES**

Odyssey Community School - Board of Trustees Special Meeting Agenda Monday, January 4, 2021 4:30 PM

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### 1. Call to Order

Time 4:33 pm

By Miriam Lewis

Present: Philip O'Reilly, Sarah Althen, Jessica Swann, Annie Busby, Walter King, Kevin Bieler, Miriam Lewis, Lisa Kimyachi, Lillanya Dantzler, Cynthia Merrill

### 2. Public Comment

Speakers will be recognized by the President and identify himself/herself by name and address and proceed with his/her comments. All persons will be limited to five (5) minutes. The total time allotted for Public Comment shall not exceed twenty (20) minutes and is at the discretion of the Board and may not address specific personnel issues.

None

# 3. Discussion of Current Operating Status and Resumption of Hybrid Learning on January 11, 2021

Discussion was had about returning to in-person learning on January 11th. Questions around food services and transportation were asked if Manchester remains remote, but these would not be an issue. Dr. O'Reilly reported that as of Thursday, December 31st, the positivity rate in Manchester was decreasing. The board decided that hybrid learning would resume on January 11th, barring any unforeseen circumstances or staffing shortages.

## 4. New CDC Quarantine Guidance

Dr. O'Reilly reported that the state is encouraging the new CDC recommendations for a shortened quarantine time: 10 days long as no symptoms are present or 7 days with a negative test. There was some hesitation from the Manchester DPH to adopt these new guidelines, but Dr. O'Reilly would follow up again with them. The board supported

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following these recommendations, citing issues with other employers adopting these new guidelines and that inconsistency within households may be difficult.

# 5. Adjournment time 4:54 pm

MOTION by Lillanya Dantzler to adjourn SECOND by Sarah Althen