

**OIL CITY AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, JANUARY 5, 2021**

A special meeting of the Board of Directors of Oil City Area School District was held on Tuesday evening, January 5, 2021, in the auditorium of the Oil City Senior High School, 10 Lynch Boulevard, Oil City, Pennsylvania. The meeting was called to order by Mr. Joseph McFadden, Board President, at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. McFadden opened the meeting with roll call.

Roll Call: *Present:* Mrs. Davis, Mr. Disque, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Kelley, Mr. Kerr, Mr. McFadden,
Mrs. Neely, *Mr. Piercy, Mr. Weaver
*Mr. Piercy attended remotely

Absent: None

Administrators

Present: Dr. Weller, Mrs. Fisher, Mrs. Delmonaco, Mr. Stahl, Ms. Shuffstall, Mrs. Zuck,
Mrs. Curran, Mr. Siembida, Mrs. Highfield

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS/INVITED GUESTS

Also in attendance were Greg Merkel, School Solicitor, Kara O'Neil, reporter for *The Derrick*, Tim LaVan, Athletic Director, Robin Echenoz, Assistant Athletic Director, and approximately 25 members of the public.

Mr. Weaver, seconded by Mr. Disque, moved to waive the Board policy requirements pertaining to the deadline to request to address the Board, the number of speakers permitted to speak, and to permit additional speakers if the topics are not repetitive.

The voice vote is recorded as follows: *Ayes* – Mrs. Davis, Mr. Disque, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Kelley, Mr. Kerr,
Mr. McFadden, Mrs. Neely, Mr. Piercy, Mr. Weaver

Nays – None

PUBLIC COMMENT

The following members of the public addressed the Board regarding instructional models, athletics and extracurricular activities relative to COVID-19: Eric Smith, Heather Motter, Kelly Kujawski, Jeff Singleton, Tom McMahon, Shelly Stahl, Mark Motter, Tom Schneider, Mark Cochran, and Anita Speece. All spoke in support of returning to in-person instruction, as well as the resumption of sports and extracurricular activities.

DISCUSSION REGARDING INSTRUCTIONAL MODELS RELATIVE TO COVID-19

Mr. Weaver, seconded by Mr. Disque, moved to reopen schools for face-to-face instruction while also providing a virtual option, beginning January 11, 2021, and to revise the Health and Safety Plan accordingly.

The roll call vote is recorded as follows: *Ayes* – Mr. Disque, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Kelley, Mr. McFadden,
Mrs. Neely, Mr. Weaver

Nays – Mrs. Davis, Mr. Kerr, Mr. Piercy

DISCUSSION REGARDING THE RESUMPTION OF ATHLETICS AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Mr. Weaver, seconded by Mr. Disque, moved to resume all athletics and extracurricular activities, effective January 6, 2020. All student athletes will be required to sign a COVID-19 waiver.

The roll call vote is recorded as follows: *Ayes* – Mrs. Davis, Mr. Disque, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Kelley,
Mr. McFadden, Mrs. Neely, Mr. Piercy, Mr. Weaver

Nays – Mr. Kerr

ADJOURNMENT

The motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Disque and seconded by Mr. Weaver. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shirley D. McLaughlin
Board Secretary