

- **vcermele**

00:00:05**Good evening, everyone. I would like to call to order the virtual reorganization meeting of Wednesday first**

- 00:00:14At 7:02pm and may I have
- 00:00:20Kathy Draper.



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00:00:22And john Philip Bertie.

- 00:00:26Approve
- 00:00:29What everyone writes for the Pledge of Allegiance.



Lynn McBride

00:00:36I pledge allegiance.



JMiller1

00:00:38To the flag.



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00:00:39Of the United States.



Lynn McBride

00:00:41Of America.



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00:00:42And to the

- 00:00:43Public



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00:00:46One nation.



Cathy Draper

00:00:47Under God



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00:00:49Indivisible,



Cathy Draper

00:00:50With liberty.



JMiller1

00:00:52And justice for



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00:00:56 Thank you. At this time I would like to take the role court for the Board of Education.

- 00:01:03 Just please state.
- 00:01:04 Your ear.



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00:01:06 Cheryl, Brady.

- 00:01:08 Year.



Cathy Draper

00:01:09 Has been Draper here.



jfiliberti

00:01:12 On Phil a birdie here.



Lynn McBride

00:01:16 Lynn Frazier McBride here.

- 00:01:20 Robert, Jeff.



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00:01:24And Valerie d one

- 00:01:26Yeah.



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00:01:31Thank

- 00:01:31You



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00:01:34There will be no Executive Session.

- 00:01:39I have the oath of office.
- 00:01:43To be administered to Valerie chameleon.
- 00:01:47From Harold
- 00:01:50But I do have it here and I can recite it
- 00:01:59I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States, the Constitution of the State of New York. And that I will faithfully discharge the
- 00:02:08duties as clerk of the board.
- 00:02:10Of the southern was just a cooperative educational services. So supervisory district of Westchester County.
- 00:02:22Now I we have two new board members.
- 00:02:26Cheryl, you have your I'm the oldest on the board docs. Unless you want me
- 00:02:31To



Sheryl Brady

00:02:33Repeat it.

- 00:02:33I have it here.



vcermele

00:02:35 Okay, go right ahead rates standard ratio right hand, please.

- 00:02:39 Okay.



Sheryl Brady

00:02:41 I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States, the Constitution of the State of New York.

- 00:02:48 And that I will faithfully discharge the duties as Board of Education member of the Southern Westchester cooperative educational services soul supervisory district of Westchester County.



vcermele

00:03:00 Graduation and thank you.

- 00:03:04 And we now have a new board member
- 00:03:07 Valerie Williams. Another Valerie.
- 00:03:10 Valerie, you have it there. Also, or you can recite after me whatever you're comfortable with.



Valarie Williams

00:03:15 I would like to recite after you



vcermele

00:03:17 Okay, so please raise your right hand and stand

- 00:03:21 Okay.



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00:03:23 I do solemnly swear



Valarie Williams

00:03:25 I do solemnly swear



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00:03:28 That I will support the Constitution of the United States.



Valarie Williams

00:03:31 That I will support the Constitution of the United States.



vcermele

00:03:35 The Constitution of the State of New York.



Valarie Williams

00:03:38 The Constitution of the State of New York.



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00:03:41 And then I will faithfully discharge.



Valarie Williams

00:03:43 And I will faithfully discharge.



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00:03:47 The duties as a Board of Education member



Valarie Williams

00:03:50 The duties as a Board of Education member



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00:03:54 Of the southern Westchester



Valarie Williams

00:03:57 Of the southern Westchester



vcermele

00:03:59 Cooperative educational services.



Valarie Williams

00:04:03 Cooperative educational services.



vcermele

00:04:06 So supervisory district of Westchester County.



Valarie Williams

00:04:10 So supervisory district of Westchester County. Congratulations. Thank you.



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00:04:20 And now I'd like to ask for nomination for President of the Southern let's just double sees Board of Education.



Lynn McBride

00:04:29 I nominate Kathy great president or President

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00:04:35 And do we have one for the Vice President.

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Lynn McBride

00:04:39 I nominate

- 00:04:41 For Vice President.

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00:04:44 All in favor.

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Valarie Williams

00:04:46 Aye.

- 00:04:47 Aye.

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00:04:53 Nope.

- 00:04:55 So now.
- 00:04:57 Kathy, do so. Do you want to recite

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Cathy Draper

00:05:01 So I can do that.

- 00:05:03 Perfect.



Cathy Draper

00:05:05 I do some swear that I will support the Constitution on the United States Constitution of the State of New York.

- 00:05:11 And that I will faithfully discharge the duties.
- 00:05:14 As President of the Board of Education of the Southern Westchester border collaborative educational services so super of Westchester



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00:05:23 Thank you so much. Congratulations.



Cathy Draper

00:05:25 Thank you.



vcermele

00:05:27 Add this to fellow Bertie.

- 00:05:30 Would you like to, would you like to read



jfiliberti

00:05:33 I have it in front of me. I'll read it.



Lynn McBride

00:05:35 Okay, perfect.



jfiliberti

00:05:37 I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States, the Constitution of the State of New York.

- 00:05:44 And that I will faithfully discharge the duties as Vice President of the Southern Westchester Board of Education of the Southern Westchester cooperative educational service says so supervisory district of Westchester County.



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00:06:00 Thank you so much, and congratulations.



jfiliberti

00:06:02 Thank you, everybody.



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00:06:05 Now I would like to turn the meeting over to Kathy troika President of the Board.



Cathy Draper

00:06:11 Thank you, Valerie, you did a wonderful job as always of convening or a reward meeting.



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00:06:15 And you



Cathy Draper

00:06:16 Thank you to all my board members for the confidence that they placed in me again. I hope I don't think DOWN AND THANK YOU TO JOHN for being my my teammates here.

- 00:06:25 And I will ask, Harold. We all have these oaths that we are supposed to sign and you're supposed to sign as well. Would you like us to sign and mail sign and scan, how can we best do with



Harold A. Coles

00:06:39 Dr. Valerie and then we'll get together with sign them.



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00:06:42 I'll get to take half and then we'll sign. Anyway, I just signed it and I can scan it. Thank you.



Cathy Draper

00:06:48 Thank you very much. I will do that. Okay, so we are moving along with our regular complicated agenda for the reorganization meeting, starting with the appointment of several board committees. The first of those is the audit committee.

- 00:07:06 I have volunteered to be a member of that committee. Again, I believe, Cheryl has agreed to be a member of that community also
- 00:07:16 And I think we had at least one more correct
- 00:07:19 Whoever validator



Lynn McBride

00:07:21 I then



Cathy Draper

00:07:23 When

- 00:07:25 Okay Steve. Is that a good number as far as you're concerned.



Steve Tibbetts

00:07:29 Yeah, it's historically been three



Cathy Draper

00:07:32 Okay, so when Cheryl and myself. We're getting a very female

- 00:07:39 Committee here this time.
- 00:07:41 Okay, so thank you to the volunteers there. And next comes the I'm going to ask you about all these together if that's all right. I'm the West part program committee.
- 00:07:54 Liaison and legislative action.

- 00:07:56 Then you have historically done that for us. Are you willing to do that again, or is there somebody else who should do that instead



Lynn McBride

00:08:04 Well I, I said I would be backup. I wasn't sure if because Valerie and Charles still on the boards do they attended the meetings regularly. If not, then I'll do it.

- 00:08:22 To be and then you said both not there now.



Cathy Draper

00:08:30 Valerie or Cheryl, would you like to have that position rather just get your feet more went on this board before you take on that responsibility and leave it with lend

- 00:08:37 Up to you guys.



Sheryl Brady

00:08:38 Happy to leave it with Lynn this year.

- 00:08:41 I can try to go when I can. And again, be backup Berlin if she needs it. And so



Cathy Draper

00:08:47 Perfect, perfect.



Valarie Williams

00:08:48 Right now this year.



Cathy Draper

00:08:50 Okay, thank you. And I'm going to get you in the next next motion. So, so don't worry about that.

- 00:08:55 Okay.



Valarie Williams

00:08:57 So,



Cathy Draper

00:08:57 Thank you. When and shut off for being willing to do that. The Third Committee that we appoint tonight is the policy committee. I've been serving on that and I am very happy to continue doing that and

- 00:09:10 Valerie has decided she would be willing to join that committee as our newest board member. It's a great learning experience. I think to get to know all of our policies that way. So I'm really pleased that she's willing to do that. Um, and Cheryl indicated that she'd be willing, as well.



Sheryl Brady

00:09:27 I'm happy to do it on

- 00:09:29 I'm a good editor to
- 00:09:31 I'm very good. Okay, that's helpful.



Cathy Draper

00:09:35 That's helpful, you and I will do that together because I'm

- 00:09:37 Really I enjoy that role.
- 00:09:40 Right. So I think we have a good complete Policy Committee. In that case, the three of us okay so
- 00:09:48 Valerie, you may have observed in our previous meetings, our tradition on this board is one person to make all the motions and do another to have made all the second to the meeting, just to make things move along.
- 00:09:59 So, as our newest board member, I would ask you to be the person Dean to have made the motions tonight as you're welcome to our board.
- 00:10:07 And we'll ask John celebrity to do the seconds.
- 00:10:12 THANK YOU, JOHN. So, all those in favor please say aye.



Sheryl Brady

00:10:15 Aye. Aye.



Cathy Draper

00:10:16 Anybody else

- 00:10:19 Okay, so we have our committee members.
- 00:10:24 This next item seven is a long, long list of appointments
- 00:10:31 unless anybody objects, I would propose to just read these out who they are.
- 00:10:36 And then have a motion to at the end of the list, unless anybody wants to have discussion at that point, just because it will move things along.
- 00:10:44 So I will begin with clerk of the board, which is an evening assignment which is Valerie bertinelli with a stipend attached to that treasure of the board. Christine Jansen no additional compensation deputy treasure on the board and rebrand coach.
- 00:11:02 With a stipend.
- 00:11:05 The deputy school claims auditor doors Quinn with a stipend attached Freedom of Information Officer Steve tibbetts no additional compensation

records management officer Steve tibbetts again no additional compensation, we're making them work really hard.

- 00:11:24As best as hazard emergency designee Thomas no additional compensation capital assets preservation program coordinator, again, Tom Brady's with no additional compensation chief emergency officer, once again, Steve tibbetts
- 00:11:42Data protection officer Victor pinera no additional compensation substance abuse information coordinator. The lead nurse no additional compensation.
- 00:11:54Collection and review of Certified payrolls Mary Kelly no additional compensation and then we have several notaries and Valerie chameleon with a stipend Dina Roselle with a stipend.
- 00:12:11Doors plan with a stipend and Judy, what a stipend. Any questions, comments on on any of those before I asked for a vote.
- 00:12:22Okay. In that case, all favor say aye.
- 00:12:26Aye. Any
- 00:12:27opposed any extensions. Okay, thank you. And next appointment of civil rights compliance officer.
- 00:12:38There are several Suzanne Doherty, and the tibbetts I'm relating to
- 00:12:46Number of specified pieces of legislation, but not limited to those
- 00:12:52Any questions, comments, all those in favor
- 00:12:56Aye. Any opposed, any extensions
- 00:13:01Thank you. And next, the appointment of the school claims auditor Tobin and company at the hourly rate of \$95 an hour. Questions or comments.
- 00:13:13All those in favor, say aye. Aye.
- 00:13:15Aye. Any opposed.
- 00:13:19Any extensions. Thank you. And next is the appointment of the four three b plan third party administrator, which will be the Omni group.
- 00:13:29At a rate not to exceed \$4,000 for 12 months. Questions or comments.
- 00:13:35All those in favor,



Sheryl Brady

00:13:37Aye. Aye.

- 00:13:38Any opposed.



Cathy Draper

00:13:40Any abstention.

- 00:13:43Next, the appointment of legal, you have to offer arms here. Keenan been is our general counsel with a fee schedule this in the emotion and then as the
- 00:13:57Council whenever there is a conflict of interest that would prevent Keenan being Thomas your hand wax and to grow and mail.
- 00:14:04Any questions, comments.
- 00:14:07All those in favor. Aye. Anybody post
- 00:14:12Pensions
- 00:14:14Okay, I think you appointment of internal auditor, that would be calling in and to Nowicki once again. Questions or comments.
- 00:14:25All those in favor, say aye.
- 00:14:27Aye. Any opposed, any extensions
- 00:14:32And establishment of short term substitute rates for the 2020 2021 school year.
- 00:14:40certified teachers 130 non certified teachers 105 teacher assistance 105 and teacher aides 105
- 00:14:48Questions, comments.
- 00:14:51All those in favor,



Sheryl Brady

00:14:53Aye. Any

- 00:14:54Opposed.



Cathy Draper

00:14:56Any extensions

- 00:14:59Next, the approval of associations memberships. I'm not going to read off the list. But it's all the various school boards associations and administrators associations and such. Any questions or comments.
- 00:15:12All those in favor, say aye.
- 00:15:15Aye. Any opposed.

- 00:15:17Any extensions
- 00:15:19Thank you and depositories for both these funds for this year and number of depositories with authorization for the treasure and deputy deputy treasure to sign checks.
- 00:15:34As permitted under our investment policy, a number of banks and funds accounts listed here. Any questions or comments on this.
- 00:15:45All those in favor. Aye.
- 00:15:48Anybody post any extensions
- 00:15:53Next, moving on investment of funds for 20 2021 again a number of banks and investment companies and authorization for the treasure under our investment policy number 4310
- 00:16:06All those in favor, say aye.



Sheryl Brady

00:16:09Aye. Aye.



Cathy Draper

00:16:10Any opposed extensions

- 00:16:15Number 17
- 00:16:18Borrowing of funds which author is It authorizes the President or Vice President to authorize the issuance issuance of up to \$20 million in revenue anticipation notes.
- 00:16:32And upon authorizations, the president, vice president the treasurer could do that in place, the president, vice president if that should be necessary. Any questions or comments.
- 00:16:44And I will say that, as I have done in the past, if I actually do this, which I have done in the past. I will let the board know that I have done it just so you'll be
- 00:16:57All those in favor, say aye.
- 00:16:59Aye. Any opposed.
- 00:17:02Any abstention.
- 00:17:05Okay. Extra curricular activity accounts and authorization for the treasurer's listen to sign the check to the bank that are designated above

- 00:17:18Skills USA Karen for our national honor society, Karen, where and in a market. Any questions or comments.
- 00:17:27Always in favor. Aye.
- 00:17:29Aye. Any opposed.
- 00:17:32Any abstention.
- 00:17:35Designation of the official newspaper which would be the journal news questions.
- 00:17:42All those in favor, I
- 00:17:45Read every post
- 00:17:48Any extensions
- 00:17:51Next accepting of non bid items for the school year. I'm not going to read out all these items, but it would be for maintenance agreements contracts previously approved by the board.
- 00:18:05sole source and commodities.
- 00:18:07Purchases any questions. Let's
- 00:18:13All those in favor,



Sheryl Brady

00:18:14Say aye aye.



Cathy Draper

00:18:15Any. Anybody opposed.

- 00:18:19And extensions
- 00:18:23Approval of petty cash each of the amount of 204 number of centers. And then for special services amount of \$500. Any questions or comments.
- 00:18:37Or this. Those in favor. Aye.
- 00:18:40Any opposed.
- 00:18:42Any abstentions.
- 00:18:46Next authorization for purchasing for the year the purchasing agent is Steve Tippet's the deputy purchasing agent is John Miller.
- 00:18:54In accordance with our policy number 43 times which remains in effect.
- 00:19:00Any questions or comments.
- 00:19:03All those in favor. Aye. Any opposed.

- 00:19:07Any extensions
- 00:19:10And next participation in the national purchasing cooperative. I'm not going to meet all of this. It's long. But it's in accordance with jungle municipal WHA
- 00:19:23All those in favor, or any questions or comments. Well, there's a favor say aye. Aye.



Lynn McBride

00:19:29Aye.



Cathy Draper

00:19:29Any opposed, any extensions

- 00:19:34And next to the appointment of a representative to the southern Western school cooperative workers compensation self insurance plan.
- 00:19:44Which is the assistant superintendent for business and administrative services, a
- 00:19:52FAVOR, AYE.
- 00:19:54Aye. Any opposed.
- 00:19:57Any extensions



Cathy Draper

00:20:02That's the resolution that

- 00:20:04The



Cathy Draper

00:20:07We will establish a food service and deliver the necessary documents of the Department of Health to to do that. Any questions or comments.

- 00:20:19I was a favor. Aye.
- 00:20:21Aye. Any opposed.
- 00:20:24Any extensions
- 00:20:27Next step breakfast and much prices.
- 00:20:32Which will be \$2 and 50 cents plus tax for adult breakfast and \$4 and 50 cents sales tax included. Don't ask me why those are different.
- 00:20:41For adult watch it is any questions or comments.
- 00:20:47I was a favor.
- 00:20:50Anybody post
- 00:20:52Any extensions. Okay, thank you.
- 00:20:57Next, the resolution at a compliance program to make sure that we accurately bill for Medicaid eligible and service services and and we are designating Jim grotto as the Medicaid compliance office.
- 00:21:16Any questions or comments.
- 00:21:19All those in favor,
- 00:21:22Anybody post
- 00:21:25Any abstentions.
- 00:21:27OK, now the appointment of Dignity Act coordinator. There is a long list here. So I'm not going to read them all. Any questions or comments on that.
- 00:21:41Although some favorites. I
- 00:21:44Anybody post
- 00:21:46Any abstentions.
- 00:21:50Next, the lead evaluator certification. Again, it's a warm resolution. I'm not going to read all of this, or the names, but are there any questions or comments on what you see in front of you.
- 00:22:02All those and I
- 00:22:05I
- 00:22:06I. Anybody opposed.
- 00:22:10And extension.
- 00:22:13And
- 00:22:15The annual approval of the code of conduct our policy number 2410 which is something we do every year at this time there. Any questions or comments in that
- 00:22:25All those
- 00:22:27All right.
- 00:22:29I



Cathy Draper

00:22:30Anybody post

- 00:22:33Any extensions. Now, Valerie Valerie, just to make sure I haven't forgotten anything as I go down this long list. Did I miss anything.



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00:22:41did not believe so.



Cathy Draper

00:22:43Okay, good. It's fun to have a double check there the agenda does talk about comments from the members of the boards and staff, I think, since we are about to adjourn. And then

- 00:22:53Enter into our business meeting, I will defer those items until the business meetings. If there's no objection from anyone.
- 00:23:02So Hearing no objection. I would like a motion to adjourn this meeting.
- 00:23:08All those in favor please say aye.
- 00:23:10Aye.



Cathy Draper

00:23:12Anybody opposed.

- 00:23:15I assume no extensions. Okay, thank you very much the reorganization meeting is adjourned. And I will take a 32nd break. Should you need it.
- 00:23:27And we will open up the next agenda.
- 00:23:31And we will, I will call to order the July 1 virtual business.
- 00:23:42Objects. I will not call the role. Again, or as Valerie to do that because I do not see any changes since we last call. And so we will begin with a review of the minutes of our last meeting, which is the June 17 meeting.
- 00:24:00And let's see.
- 00:24:04Cheryl, you were absent. So you can't vote, I can know john can vote and Lynn can vote Bob is not here. So we do not have a quorum to vote on the

minutes tonight. So I think we're going to need to hold the approval of these minutes until our next meeting.

- 00:24:23 Which that worry you will have to help me remember we need to do that. But we don't have enough people who actually attended that meeting to



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00:24:30 Sell go on the next



Lynn McBride

00:24:31 Agenda



Cathy Draper

00:24:31 Of these nerves as well. Right. Perfect. Okay, thank you. You're welcome.

- 00:24:38 We are not going to have an Executive Session, and I will be in this meeting, as I do all of our meetings. Now that we are operating in the virtual world by saying that
- 00:24:47 Given the virtual format. It's not really practical to take public comment. During these meetings that we've adopted emotion, saying that we will not do that while we're operating this way.
- 00:24:59 But as always, we are happy to receive comments from the public and on our website. Anybody wishing to comment anything confined
- 00:25:07 The email address of all the members of the Board of Education, as well as the administrators and you are most welcome to address any comments to the appropriate individuals.
- 00:25:18 So moving on to our regular agenda, we will begin with the approval of personnel, the personnel agenda and this was updated earlier today. I hope you all had a chance to look at it again. So we will begin with the certified personnel.
- 00:25:39 And some additional assignments. Some other adjustments.

- 00:25:47 One reduction in force, and then another group of actually an elimination of opposition. Then number of reductions in force.
- 00:25:57 Force. I believe by the fact that we don't know in what way we are going to be operating as we move forward this point. Any questions to respect to the certified personnel.
- 00:26:07 Comments.
- 00:26:09 Okay, moving on to the non certified personnel. We have some civil service status changes, always a good thing that people have been working out one resignation. Some appointments hourly rate assignments additional assignments other adjustments and some
- 00:26:29 Elimination of opposition and some reductions in force one recall appointment and one casual appointment I know Jackie has a comment. She makes wants to make on one of these items.



jodonnell

00:26:42 Thank you. I just want to point out the board does have. We do have a nepotism policy. So whenever there is a time that the board may want to appoint someone who interrelated for extenuating circumstances and make you aware of it. We have one student helper.

- 00:27:01 Bennett Benedict Celanese show whose father happens to work for us and we often hire part time student helpers as a summer experience. We make sure that the relative is and nobody tied to the work or supervising them in any way.
- 00:27:16 So then of Excel and each row is related to one of our employees and we are recommending him for this temporary student help her appointment.



Cathy Draper

00:27:26 Thank you. So any other questions or comments on the non certified portion of the

- 00:27:33 personal agenda.
- 00:27:35 Now, in that case, I'm going to ask the same people who did this for the record meeting to make the motions in second place. So, all those in favor please say aye.
- 00:27:45 Aye. Any opposed.

- 00:27:49 Any extensions okay along to the business agenda and beginning with the Treasurer's Report, and I do have a question here. Steve tibbetts
- 00:28:06 I see that our cash position this year is not as healthy as it was at the same time last year. Is this a matter of concern. Is this just a matter of times, being very different this year. Is there something we should be watching here.



Steve Tibbetts

00:28:24 Sure. Thank you. It's it is definitely different from last year and it's really based on the coven shut down.

- 00:28:31 The average payment for our districts comes in about 45 days, approximately, so if you think back 45 days ago is very different from today. A lot of business offices were kind of intimately in not the boss sees but at our districts until about June 1
- 00:28:49 SO WE IN THE PAST COUPLE OF DAYS WHEN JOHN gives us a report, you'll see we did receive some money, but this report is from back in May. And so we were definitely the cash flows, not the same. But we're not concerned going forward at this point.



Cathy Draper

00:29:04 Thank you. That's what I hope to hear, but I just wanted to make sure everybody understood why this looks

- 00:29:09 A little different from what we've usually seen
- 00:29:12 And the moving on to the accounts receivable report. I'm sure john has some comments to make on that.



JMiller1

00:29:18 Good evening. It's the materials were posted. We received approximately \$10 million

- 00:29:28 We receive payments from Scarsdale for their January, February, March invoices White Plains and Putnam both sees for their march invoices for April Harrison Scarsdale White Plains NASA Boise's Putnam Moses and may
- 00:29:53 Dobbs Ferry Mount Pleasant central rice city.
- 00:29:58 In June mamaroneck Dobbs Ferry Greenberg 11 Tarrytown and taco.



Cathy Draper

00:30:09 Thank you. So it sounds like people are making up for lost time even paying for June right now, which is good news. So any questions or comments for Jonna any of that.

- 00:30:21 Okay, thank you very much. JOHN
- 00:30:22 Thank you.
- 00:30:24 Moving on the client report works as usual. Any questions, comments.
- 00:30:32 Okay, one purchase option plan Greenberg 11. Any questions or comments on that.
- 00:30:42 Contracts, I think there was an addendum on
- 00:30:46 Contracts, if I remember that I read earlier. Right.
- 00:30:50 long list here. I guess it because of the time of year.
- 00:30:54 I always recommend the board members, take a
- 00:30:56 Good work of the ethics because there's always a possibility and a conflict of interest with something here just given the number of different people who are
- 00:31:02 Working with us in one way or another. So it's always good to have all that in case you would need to disclose something or to just ask any questions. So I will ask whether anybody has any.
- 00:31:15 Questions or comments on any of these
- 00:31:20 No. Okay, I'm moving on additional contract for individuals.
- 00:31:28 Next Gen sevens back
- 00:31:31 Any questions or comments, abs.
- 00:31:36 No. And then there was another agenda my belief.
- 00:31:43 Or biz.
- 00:31:45 Yes, it's our exit that are okay.
- 00:31:48 Let's say didn't miss anything.
- 00:31:53 Okay, any questions or comments on any of that.
- 00:31:57 Then, all those in favor say aye. Aye.
- 00:32:00 Why. Anybody opposed.
- 00:32:04 And extensions
- 00:32:06 Great, thank you. So moving on to the report of the



Harold A. Coles

00:32:12 Evening everyone

- 00:32:14 Just going to give you a brief.
- 00:32:15 Update on happening within our space.
- 00:32:21 For those who remember last month I talked about the
- 00:32:25 Third, the region three meeting that was going to occur with including looking at
- 00:32:31 Return to school.
- 00:32:32 Feedback groups that were returning
- 00:32:35 Those meetings that occur and on May.
- 00:32:39 20 seconds and a Monday during those meetings the nine groups met. And one of the things that was important to understand is that
- 00:32:47 Drop the discussions, there was
- 00:32:49 Always



Harold A. Coles

00:32:50 That

- 00:32:52 Equity and access snippet.
- 00:32:54 And that Lynn and they're also looking at
- 00:32:57 What we've learned
- 00:32:58 From the whole page and looking at going virtual in our instruction.
- 00:33:03 The Commissioner yesterday when she met with us. Give us feedback on deployment report in her comments were looking at those three issues, but also looking at
- 00:33:13 Feedback from non the teachers and also the student form that occurred on the 23rd with wanting teachers that have more training and how they use production, the teachers that were present during that time period parents also mention that. And the students wish to
- 00:33:28 Present that as well. And the teachers and the training staff development on being more comfortable and using the technology so that they can move to the next level.
- 00:33:37 Discussions.
- 00:33:39 And yesterday on feedback as to the next steps. And a lot of people



Lynn McBride

00:33:43 Trying to figure out what we're going to do.



Harold A. Coles

00:33:45 The governor supposed to be making a

- 00:33:47 Determination on what this health and safety issues are in relationship to coming back to school sometime between now and the middle of July.
- 00:33:58 The quarter regions, taking the feedback that we received from those different forums and they're going to wind up taking that using that to put for guidance.
- 00:34:11 And at that time period.
- 00:34:13 They will take that opportunity to
- 00:34:15 Be able to



Harold A. Coles

00:34:17 outline what it is that



Lynn McBride

00:34:19 Would be



Harold A. Coles

00:34:20 Able to look at the

- 00:34:23 Areas that they looked at and during their meeting was coming back to school for virtually coming back in September, we're coming back face to face.
- 00:34:32 And then the second
- 00:34:33 Option was a hybrid version of some



Lynn McBride

00:34:35 version of that.



Harold A. Coles

00:34:37 Those are still on the table what that will look like will be dependent upon what the State Department of Health determination as to what the

- 00:34:45 Personal space needs to be provided as far as providing distancing social distancing
- 00:34:50 And also what it would look like in people coming in, where they're wearing masks or not and that's their issues and questions that some of the districts
- 00:34:57 Are having we're having them as well as how we work on developing that
- 00:35:00 Transportation came up as one of the issues and and we're looking at transportation also being addressed through the Department of Health and what that would look like and how students would
- 00:35:08 Come on the bus. How many students would be on the bus and how many students we expected to come into the schools, a lot of that's going to be coming the 13th of July of July.
- 00:35:17 The guidance and the portal, because people are asking, well, how are you going to wind up knowing whether your programs can be approved or not.
- 00:35:23 The Commissioner shared that there's gonna be a portal, that's going to be developed and it will be it will be sent out, same time, the guidance will be coming out and that will allow us to districts to be able to
- 00:35:36 Answer a few simple questions, but also to upload their plans as opposed to trying to fit the plans into a

- 00:35:42Program, which has been so tedious and passed the Commissioner said that they have allow them to upload their programs and what their plans are directly into the portal and that will be done through the State Department of Education to be able to do that.
- 00:35:55Some other pieces that went, take a look at to was that
- 00:35:59That's the first day on the 14th of July, there's going to be a border regions Retreat. Retreat focus is going to focus on substantial equivalency that hasn't gone away.
- 00:36:10And there's somebody discussions about what that's going to look like. I think the last time we talked
- 00:36:15About substantial equivalency was sometime around December and I had somewhere around 4000 different responses and it was increasing from that point.
- 00:36:24And so they have responded to all those responses to put them the format the presenting that to the border regions and from that they're going to look at providing some kind of guidance going forward.
- 00:36:34If it's voted upon then they'll have another 60 days for public comments to occur before it goes forward. So there's more to come with that. The last point of news which I want to share which through this whole coven
- 00:36:4619 incident. We've forgotten the fact that we are also in the process of looking for a new Commissioner.
- 00:36:51And that the Commissioner, we were told was going to be possibly appointed July 13 during that time period. Not sure when they're going
- 00:36:59To start, but there have been people that have been interviewed for the position they haven't going for with that.
- 00:37:05And I think that their plan is to have whoever, they're going to wind up recommending go to the Board of Regents on the 13th so that the person will be appointed and then from there we'll know when a person is going to start
- 00:37:16And I think that she said that, like you're hoping to have somebody in the office sometime. By the beginning of September, if that if that's possible. So that was my report.



Cathy Draper

00:37:26Thank you, Kara. I've been thinking a lot about September, and what happens and and the timing I assume we're already doing work in preparation for what we assume will be some of the constraints and requirements of next year.

- 00:37:42Is there going to be time between whenever guidance comes from the state and the time we need to actually implement the plans for awesome for school districts in the region to do what they need to do to get ready to start



Harold A. Coles

00:37:55I think the biggest hurdle is going to be in Jackie's been working really closely with the teams and doing this, the biggest hurdle is going to be having to make sure we have the safety equipment or to do that, the cleaning supplies.

- 00:38:04And then figuring out how we're going to get the kids into school however guys properly space them and coming in.
- 00:38:11The other issues in the District of dealing with this as well as even though we have school opening our this art institute are going to give it
- 00:38:20To parents and option to be able to come into work or send their child to school work which they come to school.
- 00:38:26Some schools are two governors around the country. I've been given that option to
- 00:38:31The parents, they're not requiring them to come in and give me an option which that could wind up creating more difficulty than not because of how are we going to wind up creating education system, pretty much two different groups of students, but I'll check
- 00:38:44In with each other because she's been working with the administrators and working with the teaching staff trying to look at plans that preliminary planning really nail down what we're going to be doing, but
- 00:38:54We start talking about some of the barriers that we're going to be dealing with, but also start looking at
- 00:38:59Improving upon what we've already done, especially looking at virtual learning because
- 00:39:04The other piece that we need to be mindful of is that we have to know what we need to do to pivot, just in case one of having an upsurge in this recurring
- 00:39:12The governor. Everyone keeps talking about there being a second surge of this possibly in the fall. And if that occurs then what are we going to do and how we're going to go forward into
- 00:39:21A virtual space or a combination of that process happening and the, the, these resolving voices through the whole process was
- 00:39:29Though we did. Okay, getting to where we're at right now. We can't do this again, you have to do a better job.

- 00:39:35 Ready and we have to do a better job of creating a worked a learning environment that is consistent around the state that the students continue to learn, even though there might be up top virtually



Cathy Draper

00:39:48 Thank you. Before I asked Jackie, do report do any board members have questions or comments.



Sheryl Brady

00:39:53 I have a question, Harold. They're reopening schools Task Force on with the regions that really asleep was like one and done right. So there was one meeting in in our region and

- 00:40:06 That was really the only opportunity for input or for those members of the task force able to provide ongoing guidance to the region's



Harold A. Coles

00:40:16 I think they can keep providing the feedback because the regions are taking information, you know, ongoing

- 00:40:21 The other thing is that even though the guidance comes out in July 13 it's always open for public discussion for 30 to 60 days.
- 00:40:30 And so there's opportunities for the public to continue to provide feedback which will allow the board to come back and actually we think about what was being talked about.
- 00:40:38 Just be mindful that the guidance that the governor, the governor is going to be the governor's law is going to come out. It's like a policy abort.
- 00:40:46 No policies done the



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00:40:47Initial



Harold A. Coles

00:40:48We should be there are regions and the commissioner's office with one city now putting a regulation which in their cases guides and how to

- 00:40:57Balance what they're going to be doing based upon what the government comes up with and they're trying to anticipate
- 00:41:01What he's going to do just like we're trying to to spit. What is going to do, and it's kind of hard to do that because there's so many moving parts with this as we move forward.
- 00:41:09But districts are looking at working together. And one of the things that is coming out of this is the superintendent's are coming together, talking about
- 00:41:15Coming up with a regional plan, not necessarily everybody doing the same thing, but coming up with
- 00:41:20Every once in alignment with so that we can wind up going forward with this is one of the things that happened with the virtual learning was that
- 00:41:28Neighboring school district parents. We talked the other every school parents and they were wanting to know why their program wasn't
- 00:41:34Saying or within a school district, the programs were looking different to know who the teachers were and they were questioning why that was occurring.
- 00:41:41We're trying to make sure that we address that looking at come together as a team and looking at what
- 00:41:45Best practice is going to be and trying to come up with a plan and moving forward. But we're trying to anticipate this. The problem is you dissipate too far ahead.
- 00:41:53And we want to participate and put our time ministry in the wrong places. We're going to wind up being stuck with having to make a complete 180 afternoon.
- 00:42:02But districts are meeting with the communities they are meeting with her teachers, they are ministering spirits, and so they're starting to gather feedback trying to put their plan in motion. They'll have information before



Sheryl Brady

00:42:14I was struck I read in the newspaper. I guess the Education Trust had done a study and produced a record and the primary concern of

- 00:42:24Parents is academic gaps.
- 00:42:28And, and, you know, I know there's, you know, huge, and rightly so that we worry about social emotional about safety and all these other things. But obviously parents really are worried about their kids being behind



Harold A. Coles

00:42:41Yeah, that's a good point. I think that this is something that has come up with several of superintendents over the past week have reached out to me. Talk to me about

- 00:42:48And how they can wind up working with our PD department to work on supporting that.
- 00:42:53That was also with the social, emotional piece, but also with the the equity equity access and inclusive it and looking at bias issues that they recognize the need to address. But they don't know how to move forward with a culture responsive curriculum.
- 00:43:05High connecting with our PD department.
- 00:43:08And then there's some work that's being with that developing our so we're looking at trying to address it as it's being
- 00:43:14Unfolding but that was one of the critical areas that came up recently and all the different meetings that occurred.
- 00:43:19How do we move forward in light of what's happening around the country and recognizing that we also have issues with that within our own backyard, and how do we address that and make sure that our students are all
- 00:43:28Going to be moving forward and recognizing that there was a gap because of either resources or because of not liking Internet access or skill set that have impacted the group of students that now we have to figure out how we're going to work with.



Cathy Draper

00:43:43Welcome. Any other questions for hero. Yeah. Now, Valerie.

- 00:43:51Valerie or Valerie, can you unmute yourself.



Valarie Williams

00:43:57 Okay, there we go. Okay, thank you very much Dr. Collins, you mentioned something about 30 to 60 day feedback for public. Can you elaborate on that.



Harold A. Coles

00:44:07 Yes. Anytime there's a guidance that comes up by the border regions. If it's an emergency guidance they automatically vote on it goes into effect, usually

- 00:44:18 More than likely, this will be an emergency guidance, but every guidance that comes out, they have a public comment time period where they allowed for the public to get feedback on whatever it is that
- 00:44:28 It was coming out as a guidance.



Valarie Williams

00:44:30 And so that



Harold A. Coles

00:44:31 People from the public to get feedback which the quarter regents will look at during our next board meeting, so

- 00:44:37 July 13 want to be the date that they have the feedback for the guide is coming out and as early as the next board meeting next board meeting will probably because we know august meeting them in September.
- 00:44:48 They would probably have a lot of public discussion related to the feedback that received at that point.



Valarie Williams

00:44:53 Okay. And where can people find this and how do they give the feedback.



Harold A. Coles

00:44:59 Um, when you will



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00:45:01 I will find a link for



Harold A. Coles

00:45:02 You because it depends on where you wind up going to whatever the public comic kits. There's a place to go to

- 00:45:08 This discussion point in the website, we actually put but I'll find that out. I'll get it. The dollar to get out to everybody.



Valarie Williams

00:45:13 Oh, thank you.

- 00:45:14 Great.



Cathy Draper

00:45:16 Thanks for asking that question. Now that's helpful to know. Anybody else have any questions for health.

- 00:45:23 Okay. Jackie, you are up.



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00:45:26 So first of all welcome Valerie.

- 00:45:29 Our new board member I sent you a link to take a look at our internal plan here. I'll just talk about the fact that have been working real hard with our teams across both teams to come up with a plan.
- 00:45:40 And we found that it's a different experience than in a traditional school district, because remember we have almost 1000 employees and with
- 00:45:48 Us throughout the year and only about half of them are instructional so we're school programs are largely instructional. We have a lot of other services that support school does districts from athletics to professional development.
- 00:46:04 To PR and certainly our largest piece of that non direct instructional piece is the regional Information Center.
- 00:46:14 Transportation, I could go on. So we have a lot of folks that don't work in instructional programs.
- 00:46:20 And so we had a hard time wrestling with the question when offices were allowed to open. Are we offices are we a school
- 00:46:29 And we really struggled with that back and forth. And, you know, we still believe that we're school and that everything we do is on behalf of children.
- 00:46:39 However, there are some offices that could be more efficient in supporting schools, if they were back on campus. So we began a process that was really important to us with the culture that we've been building of collaborative problem solving to follow all the processes that we follow
- 00:46:55 In trying to bring as many voices to the table when the decisions affect them and really help folks.
- 00:47:02 Who are most directly affected by the decisions be the decision makers. So at this point, Harold shared with you. There's not a lot of guidance.
- 00:47:10 On what's going to happen in instructional programs, but there are some things that we know. Right. So the things that we know have to do with if our kids come back.

- 00:47:20 The way that they interact with materials will probably be different than the way that they've interacted with materials in the past.
- 00:47:27 Sharing things when you're working on a car or, you know, touching the same things in a sensory motor activity. So we did bring our staff together.
- 00:47:40 Across our different teams before they went home for the summer to say
- 00:47:44 Think about the materials we would need to purchase how space might look different start to think about what social distancing cube looking like in your classroom.
- 00:47:53 So we just started those conversations, a little bit but we anticipate once we get more guidance inviting folks into those conversations through virtual meetings, those who are able to attend.
- 00:48:03 Around some questions, but for other folks that don't work directly with students. We started using our problem solving protocol and there's a lot of guidance put out by New York state. So we broke it down into the different categories such as
- 00:48:18 Protective equipment or social distancing and we took all of the guidance that we put it in our problem solving protocol so that we had the real we start with the baseline data. What's happening now.
- 00:48:29 So we created the chart around those categories. And then we went ahead and met with different teams. Sometimes we met with the entire leadership team online. Sometimes we met with small teams.
- 00:48:42 We often met by buildings and we help them figure out if this is what it needs to look like. Here's the baseline data of the requirements. Now, what are the steps that we need to take, for example, we have to have some sort of a logging system. So for 50 decided we created a universal log
- 00:49:03 And we decided to go with a paper log rather than an electronic blog. We didn't want
- 00:49:12 A screen where everyone would touches, they came in and we didn't want to trust that once you got your desk and signed into your device, you would remember to go ahead and sign in.
- 00:49:21 So we did a paper log and so for 50 head workout a whole system of what that log would
- 00:49:27 Look like. And they share that across the district. So we do have people do a self health and stuff that when they come in and they also have to note that they have read the plan.
- 00:49:36 So if you had a chance to take a look at the plans. I sent you a link to those
- 00:49:41 What you probably noticed if you jump from plan to plan is that there's a structure to the template that's all the same.

- 00:49:48 We want to make sure that everybody knows our philosophy and right now we're giving people three options.
- 00:49:54 There are folks that we recognize over time that we may ask to come in. I know the business office, you know, has been pretty steady throughout this time of coming in and keeping business.
- 00:50:04 Going first once a week and twice a week than three times a week. They don't always come in at the same day, and they're very
- 00:50:12 smart about the requirements but Berkeley is set up in such a way that social distancing is pretty easy for us their
- 00:50:18 HR has been in and out and they're presently sort of moving back in part of the team. So we're thinking. There are some folks that we might have this to be there on occasion, but we haven't had to yet like folks who have known that their work.
- 00:50:33 Would be more effective if they could have access to their regular
- 00:50:38 Materials and work site have asked to come in. So we have some folks that will remain remote some folks that will work on site. And a lot of people that will go in and know
- 00:50:49 That will come in two days a week and work on site in an office setting. And then the others will. And then the other days, they will remain remote.
- 00:50:59 We actually found that were incredibly efficient in the remote environment. And I think that we as a team, including the board has taken on so many systems over the last five years that we've become pretty efficient and
- 00:51:14 Our whole team would tell you that this has helped us clean up those inefficiencies that we had. So if there are any systems that
- 00:51:21 We didn't have in place, boy, were we able to move them ahead quickly during this time because we had to
- 00:51:27 So right now we're in a place today was the first day that we launched what we're calling a bridge plan or not calling it a re entry point.
- 00:51:34 Because, again, are you an office or are you with school. We don't want to confuse those people in instructional programs.
- 00:51:40 You're aware, we decided not to open for the summer. Even though Special Education Programs were allowed by the governor to open for the summer. We took a very careful. Look at that. And I should say we didn't open on site. We're open remotely.
- 00:51:56 And we took a really close look at that and we couldn't work out all those transportation questions or all those social distancing questions yet.
- 00:52:05 So we feel like we're in a really good place. And if you look through that guidance is great videos in there, we mean that as a staff training.

- 00:52:14 Piece and to give you exact parameters of what needs to happen if you choose to work on site every member of our cabinet is figuring out how they want to work with this stuff.
- 00:52:26 When their staff is when their plan is ready to get a PDF copy of it and they're doing some work around the videos and their staff meetings to make sure that we're all informed and speaking in one voice.
- 00:52:39 We're really fortunate Harold talked about some people are worried about the shortages of
- 00:52:45 Personal protective equipment and cleaning supplies we get on that really early and we're in a good place. With that, I think Steve, we have 25,000 masks right now.
- 00:52:56 And we have a stockpile of the cleaning equipment we would need and our folks have really been leaders, I think in in helping
- 00:53:05 Develop those protocols. So we're in really good place. And we're starting a bridge opening
- 00:53:12 So it's not a reentry plan yet, but we're going to use the same process when we start looking at our student programs and there will come a point right now folks have the option.
- 00:53:23 Of working remotely or on site, they'll come a point, you know, where we'll move past this time period and
- 00:53:31 You know, hopefully things will be better all around us that will be able to invite folks in and go back to some normal operations.
- 00:53:40 But right now I think we're all feeling really good about the progress we've made and that we've been able to
- 00:53:46 Keep people informed and part of the conversation. And if you haven't had a chance to look at those links I sent you take a minute we're pretty proud of that product and we feel like it'll move us ahead.
- 00:53:58 So that's it for my report tonight.



Cathy Draper

00:54:00 Thank you. So any questions for Jackie. Any comments.

- 00:54:08 Okay. Jackie, you did it so perfectly. Nobody even had a question to ask. That's pretty good. So now we move on to comments from members of the board. I will start to be very brief tonight.
- 00:54:20 First of all, Valerie and I have had several conversations by telephone, but I want you sort of officially and publicly welcome her to the board and
- 00:54:28 We're really happy to have you, Valerie and it's always sort of fun to have a new member, because the whole dynamic of the board changes. I think

when somebody leaves and somebody else comes in. So it'll be fun to see how we work together. We really look forward to having you here.

- 00:54:42 It's, it's been a tough end of the last school year. I never thought I'd started another school year. The way we're starting at right now, but I do need to say one more time.
- 00:54:53 I can't imagine a better team with him to do it.
- 00:54:56 What we're listening to from Harold from Jackie from the whole team. Let's see now.
- 00:55:01 It's a difficult, we're all learning from it. But we're going to get through this. All right, and our students are going to get what they need.
- 00:55:08 And we will come out stronger for having done this so I'm just really proud and happy to be a member of this particular team and people were just working so hard and so effectively.
- 00:55:20 So that's all I have to say tonight, and I will invite other board members to comment, and I am going to start in the order in which they appear on my screen which may or may not be the way they appear on your screens. So I'm going to start by asking Lynn if she has any comment to make.
- 00:55:38 Then you need to unmute if you do



Lynn McBride

00:55:47 Yeah.

- 00:55:47 I you brief comments welcome Valerie as a new board member look forward to working with you. I'm also curious to know
- 00:56:01 When Will our meetings, our board meetings, stop being on Zoom is that depending on when the schools are open, although still be on zoom or we have a choice of going back and forth like the staff, I'm
- 00:56:17 Just curious about
- 00:56:19 That please I
- 00:56:22 Going forward,



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00:56:25 Kevin, if I could.



Cathy Draper

00:56:28Go ahead.



jodonnell

00:56:29In the guidance on it's so recommending that when you can do virtual meetings that you do them and you're not bring whole groups together.

- 00:56:36So until that guidance changes, probably, you know, Kathryn. And I'll have a conversation we stayed in regular touch with each other. And when that guidance changes and we're sure that it could be safe to bring people together.
- 00:56:49But right now we're keeping all of our meetings virtual and even with the building go into this bridge opening. They're not allowing mediums to take place on site. So they're still, even if they're down the hall from each other using teams or zoom to me and
- 00:57:08Really practicing that distance



Cathy Draper

00:57:11And I think that's really important because

- 00:57:14All the guidance that I've read says that people need to stay at least six feet apart. That's really hard to do in our boardroom, especially if we have some kind of public participation.
- 00:57:24In the meetings we can't guarantee. How many people will be there.
- 00:57:26Keeping control of that safety.
- 00:57:29Not to mention that doing a meeting in masks just sort of feels funny, it's hard to talk that way. I think so. I think
- 00:57:37We're better to be safe. The way we are. We've it's not perfect, but we've learned how to do this reasonably effectively. So I have, you know, I guess we'll say
- 00:57:48The governor does allow gatherings. Once we get to face for up to 50 people but that requires
- 00:57:55A room that's big enough to accommodate that number. So I'm not sure we really have

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Lynn McBride

00:57:59The appropriate venue.

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Cathy Draper

00:58:01When I can do it outdoors. So

- 00:58:04That stuff.

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Harold A. Coles

00:58:05I think I just want to add one more element to that to

- 00:58:08The

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Harold A. Coles

00:58:09Executive Order that allowed for

- 00:58:11The virtual

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Lynn McBride

00:58:14Meetings expires, a lot

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Harold A. Coles

00:58:17 Of July six,



Lynn McBride

00:58:18 And the governor seems to



Harold A. Coles

00:58:19 Be renewing these different executive orders every 30 days.

- 00:58:24 Yeah, the expectation is, it's going to be renewed again.
- 00:58:27 So that was thinking about that that came up a couple times today. So the superintendent's that asked that question and it hasn't been renewed yet but they're expecting it to be renewed



Cathy Draper

00:58:36 That's a good point. He always renews it on the last day, or maybe the day before that since practice so far. So I assume that you're right that will happen that way again.

- 00:58:47 Anything else
- 00:58:50 She's muted. So I guess I'm moving along my screen to Valerie Williams and then comments.
- 00:58:58 And again, you need to unmute



Valarie Williams

00:59:01 So again, thank you. Thank you for welcoming me and I think that this is a great time to be an educator practicing teacher to be on this board and I really want to be a bridge between professional practice and governance and, you know,

- 00:59:22 I was like, very happy to hear Dr. Coles and Ms. Donal Jackie and their comments because like, I'm thinking as a teacher. I'm a reading specialist and right now I'm teaching kindergarten and first grade students
- 00:59:40 And I don't really feel comfortable about that the kids really learned anything new, because we did a lot of videos and then we brought them in
- 00:59:52 You know, so that they can socialize with each other, but I'm concerned about like how we actually instructing them and you know
- 01:00:00 You know, in kindergarten and first grade. That's the foundation of their learning how to read and I'm just thinking, how am. How are we going to do that.
- 01:00:09 And I'm thinking, like, you know, we can have like document cameras so like the kids can see us forming letters or, you know, actually see us writing, which is
- 01:00:19 Helpful. But we also need to see them. So I'm thinking they need document cameras, too. So just thinking about, like,
- 01:00:26 How we're going to do this if we're synchronous if we're doing it virtually so that the kids learn and you know it might be an opportunity in disguise it might be better than ever. Maybe this could be
- 01:00:39 Something that will help us to reach students who are struggling, you know, in a way that we weren't able to do. Traditionally, so I'm really interested in hearing what people on the board, say, and the guidance from the state and also just being a bridge from, you know, practical instruction.
- 01:01:01 At the school and the family level and governance, you know, at the district and state levels.



Cathy Draper

01:01:11 Thank you know it's good, it's good to have another educator here with with all of your experience and inform us at all these things.

- 01:01:21 Sarah anything



Sheryl Brady

01:01:23 Welcome Valerie. I'm looking forward to work with you and looking forward to my first full term starting on. I'll just mentioned, since I especially since I missed the last meeting that I had the really wonderful opportunity to attend a number of the graduations and moving up ceremonies.

- 01:01:43And I was just struck by how personal they were health heartfelt um it was really just such a pleasure to be able to, you know, to, to really get a sense of, you know, this sort of the staff and the student interactions and what they've meant to each other. So
- 01:02:04I really enjoyed that.



Cathy Draper

01:02:06If you enjoyed that you will love it next year when you can



Sheryl Brady

01:02:09Absolutely.



Cathy Draper

01:02:11Thank you. Anything else



Sheryl Brady

01:02:13That's it.



Cathy Draper

01:02:14Okay. JOHN anything



jfiliberti

01:02:16 You just wanted to also welcome Valerie looking forward to, you know, the time when we can sit at a table next to each other.

- 01:02:24 So, you know, I don't know when that's going to be, but you will, in the meantime, and then I also wanted to wish everybody a wonderful long and happy Fourth of July weekend.



Valarie Williams

01:02:36 So that a table and eat.



jfiliberti

01:02:40 It.



Cathy Draper

01:02:41 Okay, moving on to comments from members of the staff. Again, I'm just going to go in the order in which you appear, which means that I will start with Kathy come



Kathy Conley

01:02:52 I good, nice to meet you, Valerie and we look forward to working with you.

- 01:02:58 I want to talk a little bit about when you were saying we met the staff at the Rick to the Met with a number of districts where
- 01:03:08 They're considering a hybrid model of instruction and doing live streaming where the teacher has students in front of her in the classroom, but

also a group of students that are remote and we were looking at the technology needs for that and

- 01:03:30 We chatted a little bit about union issues that would be involved with people watching the actual instruction and one of the biggest hardships right now is get is purchasing the equipment, the cameras.
- 01:03:49 The devices that are needed. The teacher in many cases needs.
- 01:03:55 A computer that acts as the student that's not there, and the computer that she's teaching from and
- 01:04:06 We were talking about what kind of training the teachers would need for that kind of technology and being facile with that as they teach but
- 01:04:18 There are huge, huge delays on the equipment Dell is talking about February deliveries now with orders being purchased. Now, a lot of deliveries are
- 01:04:31 being projected for October. We're used to ordering now and having them delivered at the beginning of August. So those are huge constraints that the districts are dealing with on top of the pedagogy of it all.
- 01:04:46 So,



Cathy Draper

01:04:47 Thank you. I haven't thought about that. Valerie. You have a question.



Valarie Williams

01:04:50 And, you know, just the consideration with our rollout in New Rochelle, a lot of our families. They were having difficulty with Wi Fi access and even though

- 01:05:02 Wi Fi was being presented for free if they did not pay their wife I built it that cable bills in the past. Then they did not have access and then



Kathy Conley

01:05:14 On those companies because those were the families that needed it most. Of course.



Valarie Williams

01:05:18 That's true. And then if you have like five children in one home and you do have five devices, the Wi Fi. There's going to be problem with that too.

- 01:05:27 So there are a lot of things that we really have to work out. And if you're on free and reduced lunch and you're on a line to, you know, to get your meals, then you can be in your home doing your lesson. So it's like, there are a lot of little things that we need to work out.



Cathy Draper

01:05:48 Have any questions for Kevin

- 01:05:51 Yeah, okay. Valerie really anything



vcermele

01:05:56 One thing.

- 01:05:58 Several Brady sent me an email in regards to Education Week.
- 01:06:05 Is anybody interested in it. Should I do it, I believe you could do it.
- 01:06:10 Virtually, you know, the information online.



Cathy Draper

01:06:14 Electronically is probably better right



vcermele

01:06:16 Electronically should I ordered for the board. Did it work in the past. Did anybody read it.



Sheryl Brady

01:06:27 I'm



vcermele

01:06:30 Sure Brady's interested in buddy else



Valarie Williams

01:06:33 Okay, interested in what I'm sorry it



vcermele

01:06:36 Education Week.



Valarie Williams

01:06:37 Okay. Oh, the publication.

- 01:06:40 IDs.
- 01:06:41 In it. Thank you.



Lynn McBride

01:06:42 Okay, Valerie, I'd be interested in it, though I broke down and finally paid for it, even though we're seeing on a fixed income.

- 01:06:53 Because I had made that comment. Oh, wow.
- 01:06:57 Okay, board members are working. I'm retired.
- 01:07:03 Okay, you're



vcermele

01:07:04 Looking to tomorrow.



Sheryl Brady

01:07:06 Thank you.



Valarie Williams

01:07:07 Thank you.



Cathy Draper

01:07:08 Great. Anything else. Oh.



vcermele

01:07:10 No, that was it.

- 01:07:11 Thank you. Welcome. Valerie was a pleasure talking to
- 01:07:14 You and getting you all set up.



Cathy Draper

01:07:18 As if

- 01:07:19 You're the person she needs to go to with anything she needs you will always get it done.
- 01:07:24 So we all rely on



Valarie Williams

01:07:25 Your HTML and I can vouch for our bow.



Cathy Draper

01:07:32 Right.

- 01:07:34 Jim grata



James Gratto Jr.

01:07:38 So the server is just finished up

- 01:07:41 And now, on July 6 we're about to start our remote
- 01:07:44 Extended school year program. So you just have a week.
- 01:07:49 In between times what we're ready to go. Continuing with the various Jackie Wilson. So we have a very solid plan.
- 01:07:55 And they're ready to start



Cathy Draper

01:07:59 Any questions for you.

- 01:08:02 Know, okay, I'm Susanna bendable they are watching your cat. Again, the towel across the screen and everything. I always enjoy this.
- 01:08:10 Any comments from you.



Suzanne Doherty

01:08:11 Good evening, everyone. Valerie I'm Susie and already. I'm the

- 01:08:14 Director of Human Resources.
- 01:08:16 And that is Luna
- 01:08:17 Who has made every board meeting.
- 01:08:20 And it was a little persistent because we have thunderstorms here and she doesn't like
- 01:08:24 Them.



Suzanne Doherty

01:08:25 Just wanted to say. I mean, you saw from the board agenda. Unfortunately, regrettably, there were some reduction and forces on their personnel agenda and that's never easy for anyone. I just want to say a big thank you to my team.

- 01:08:38 And to Hank land and from EA t
- 01:08:41 We were able to put together a virtual information session.
- 01:08:45 That was very well attended had 35 and one of them and over 15 and the other one and union reps.
- 01:08:54 As well, which was fantastic.
- 01:08:56 To support our staff during tough times. So just really nice to see you again.
- 01:09:01 Would you say challenging times, but we're coming up with creative



Lynn McBride

01:09:04 Ways to



Suzanne Doherty

01:09:05 Solve some of those issues.



Cathy Draper

01:09:07 Thank you. Any questions for Suzanne.

- 01:09:11 Okay, so



Steve Tibbetts

01:09:15 I just Welcome aboard Valerie. It's great to have you on board.

- 01:09:18 And I'm glad that we have an audit committee as well. So that will be meeting. We have a report from our internal auditor that will, we will be reviewing
- 01:09:31 Over the summer it we don't have a date yet, but I'll be reaching out to the new audit committee members to get that rolling. So thank you for the Fourth of July.



vcermele

01:09:40 Thank you. Thank you.



Cathy Draper

01:09:41 Any questions for Steve.

- 01:09:44 Okay, we don't want Victor



Victor Pineiro

01:09:48 Just a welcome aboard Valerie and no other comments for me.



Cathy Draper

01:09:52 All right, short sweet John Miller.



John Miller

01:09:57 Evening Valerie. Welcome to the board. Hopefully the accounts receivable reports will be a little shorter. And the month, going forward, but we get the money when it comes in and hope everybody has a safe and enjoyable holiday weekend.



Cathy Draper

01:10:10 Thank you.

- 01:10:11 You know we like those accounts receivable reports wonder million dollars or whatever that number was stuff that no objection to to the link from. That's what it does.
- 01:10:20 Okay, we reached the end of the agenda, unless anybody has anything that they wanted to say that I haven't given you the opportunity to say
- 01:10:29 Now I will remind board members and this will be new to Valerie. We do traditionally have one morning meeting and that is our next meeting, and then a 20 something 28 something like that, whatever it is, it's on your, your calendar. So that will be an early morning meeting.
- 01:10:50 But fortunately, you may not have to travel to get

- 01:10:53A call to do that. So I look forward to seeing you all. Then I hope you enjoy your long Fourth of July weekend. Maybe some other time off between now and then and unless there's anything else I would like a motion to adjourn.
- 01:11:08And I will say, all those in favor. Aye.



Sheryl Brady

01:11:11Aye. Aye.



Cathy Draper

01:11:12Anybody post. All right, thank you tonight, and I will see you on couple weeks.



Valarie Williams

01:11:19Thank you.



jfiliberti

01:11:21Everybody



Cathy Draper

01:11:23Bye bye.