

**THORP BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING
WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 2, 2020 6:00 p.m.
FLEX ROOM, THORP HIGH SCHOOL, 605 SOUTH CLARK ST, THORP, WI**

The special meeting of the Thorp Board of Education was called to order at 6:04 p.m. on Tuesday, September 2, 2020, in the Flex Room by Marie Karaba, Board President. Members present Amy Penterman, Marie Karaba, Jeanette Kodl, Ty Schneider, and Clint Klapatauskas. District Staff in attendance were Administrator Paul Blanford, via remote video stream Elementary Principal and Director of Student Services Misti Trowbridge and High School Principal Adrian Foster.

Report on Notice of Meeting

The notice was posted per board policy.

Approve Agenda

A motion was made by C. Klapatauskas to approve the agenda, second by J Kodl. Voice vote. All aye. Motion carried.

Hear Visitors Regarding Agenda Items

Board was presented with letters from parents that are in support of getting kids back in school. They feel strongly that kids need the structure, education, socializing and safety that school provides.

Action Items/New Business

Review/Approve Plan B for reopening school.

A Penterman made a motion to approve plan B as presented reopening school. J. Kodl 2nd. Voice Vote. 4 Aye, 1 Nay. Motion carried.

Discussion on fall sports.

Mr. Blanford informed the board on the plan for fall sports. He will be working with the conference for an alternate schedule. He also informed the board of the 50% threshold chart for each fall sport for spring alternate in the event the fall season is canceled.

Review/Approve Selected level of spectator participation at home events

Discussed the options for spectator attendance at sporting events. The board would like more information on how the conference is handling it. Table until next meeting.

Discuss/Address impacts/solutions for two-week delay in starting school

Possible solutions to make up the missed days could be eliminating the spring break in March, except for Good Friday. Eliminate snow days as we have the option to teach virtual on those days. Board asked that the discussion go back to the calendar committee and verify we are meeting all requirements for minutes.

C. Klapatauskas left meeting at 7:06 p.m.

Review/Approve selected elementary emergency sick leave option for staff members required to be absent due to Covid-19

J. Kodl made a motion to have Mr. Blanford draft language to section 2.09 in the handbook to address additional information on paid time off and expectations of duties during pandemic required leave. A. Penterman 2nd. Voice Vote. 3 Aye, 1 abstain

Adjourn

A motion was made by J. Kodl to adjourn, second by A. Penterman. Voice vote. All aye. Motion carried at 7:34 p.m.



Marie Karaba, Board President



Amy Penterman, Board Clerk