

## ACE Meeting Minutes

*The purpose of the Advisory Council for Education is to provide a systematic representative public involvement in educational decisions under consideration by the Board of Directors.*

**April 19, 2021**  
**6:00-7:30 p.m.**

**Members Present:** Sarah Blake, Sarah Cofer, Erika Coghill, Montan Copenhaver, Britt Kleinman, Mary Levesque, Anne McAlvey, Will Nelson, Gary Sabol, Chrys Sweeting, Sophie Willis

**Call to order:** 6:01 p.m.

### **Approve Minutes**

Will Nelson made a motion, seconded by Mary Levesque, to approve the March 1 meeting minutes. The minutes were approved by voice vote.

### **District Updates**

- The Community Voices event will be held Thursday, April 22 at 6 p.m. Dr. Sweeting invited ACE members to attend.
- Dr. Sweeting shared that the AHS was working out details for graduation. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, there will be no prom this year.

### **Reopening Update**

Dr. Sweeting provided a Reopening Arlington School update to the committee.

- COVID-19 cases continue to rise in Snohomish County and throughout the state.
- One-third of residents in the county have received at least one dose of the COVID vaccine. One out of five people are fully vaccinated.
- COVID tests are available to staff.
- Secondary students returned to school in March.
- Dr. Sweeting shared that schools will continue with their current hybrid schedules with limited changes. We are looking for opportunities for additional intervention support throughout the week and on Fridays. There will not be added hybrid instruction on Fridays. District admin is currently developing the Advancing Academics & Well-Being Plan. The district is planning and preparing for step six in the fall – five days full time (dependent on DOH, OSPI & L&I guidelines/requirements). The goal is to go back to normal next year, except for mask wearing.

1. Montan asked if we will ever go to three feet. Staying at six feet for now. It depends on if the close contact requirements change. We will observe other districts who are fully in person to see how they're doing it.
2. Sarah Cofer said she is excited for five days of instruction. She was curious how to make lunch time a safer time.
3. Committed Distance Learning- Not sure about status at this time. Many students would not be returning to CDL at this time. Having high risk family members was their reason for not returning to in person, not as much of a problem now that people are being vaccinated.
4. Can we send out messaging about 16-17 year olds getting vaccinations? We will work with the health

department to see what messaging they have.

5. Can we not have buses so packed?

**Equity Plan**

Will shared the draft equity plan with the committee. He went through all the pages and the committee provided feedback on the plan.

**Adjournment**

Mary Levesque made a motion, seconded by Montan Copenhaver, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

**Next Meeting, Monday, May 3, 2021**