

Medical Working Group Meeting

Monday, December 7, 2020 6:00 p.m. - 7:15 p.m.

Slides: [December 7 Slide Presentation](#)

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Committee Members present: Erik Reisdorf, Dr. Jon Temte, Dr. Joanna Bisgrove, Dr. Beatriz Folcik, Shelly Shaw, Brian Stamm, Jill Klotz Flitter, Erin Olheiser, Dr. Katie Schmitt, Alice Egan, Amie Mitchell, Evan Fitzgerald, Matthew Payne, Becky Berkan, Raven Foulker, Beth Rozak.
Drew Howick(facilitator)

School Board Members present: Krista Flanagan, Tim LeBrun, Troy Pankratz (observing), Heather Garrison (observing), Ahna Bizjak (observing).

OSD Administrators and Staff observing: Dr. Leslie Bergstom (committee member), Jon Tanner (small group facilitator), Dr. Candace Weidensee, Erika Munding, Jina Jonen, Andrew Weiland, Lauren Wysocky.

A. Public Comment

None

B. Old Business

- Introduction of committee member: Beatriz Folcik - Physician Assistant
- Review of OSD Five Values
- Summary of 11/30/2020 meeting
- Updates included news about upcoming health guidance; Oregon Observer article with incorrect second semester start date; current OSD dashboard data.

C. New Business

1. **Introduction of facilitator Drew Howick from Howick Associates**
2. **Review of Group Norms**
3. **Breakout Sessions for suggestions for OSD consideration related to Phased Restart**
 - Question for breakout session: "Given your area of expertise, what is important for us to consider before implementing each phase of the plan?"

Group One Summary:

- **Balancing physical and mental health impacts:** Key in on screening of students who are struggling or encountering new struggles such as learning gaps, dealing with loss of family, loss of jobs, exposure to violence, and/or AODA as they return to school.
- **Data set:** Dial down further to develop a data set specific to our students and their families. The data can evaluate not only our daily changes but trends within our schools. We will need to include effective communication when relaying information to families.
- **School Community Engagement:** Motivating our students and their families to practice safety protocols helps us stay in school.
- **Contact tracing:** There is a good plan in place for contact tracing for Grades K-2. As OSD adds Grades 6-12, do we need to look at staff capacity for contact tracing?
- **Educating the Community:** How can we incorporate this as an educational opportunity to teach our community about what we are learning? Information on safety regarding the vaccine process.

- **Flexibility:** Should we look at being more creative about our school structure (schedule, calendar, grade level restart)?

Group Two Summary:

- **COVID and Kids:** Students, especially younger-aged children, have been shown to not be active spreaders. They need to be taught consistently about how to wear a mask properly, frequent hand washing/sanitizing, and social distancing.
- **Mental Health:** Balancing both mental health and physical health for students with the same level of importance.
- **Equity:** People of color are more likely to suffer from the negative effects and impacts of this pandemic along with families living at or below the poverty level.
- **Community Knowledge:** Understanding the role the community plays in managing the pandemic and increasing awareness.. Getting the community motivated to follow COVID guidelines, protocols and procedures.
- **School Logistics:** Anything that creates lines (taking temperature and checking for masking before entering a room) creates an opportunity for spread.
- **Kids at risk:** Make sure we are cognizant of those children with less supervision at home and the impacts of those situations, including injury..

4. Establish topic for December 21 meeting

- OSD will share any changes/adjustments made to the Phased Restart Plan based on considerations shared by the Medical Working Group from this meeting and the Oregon School Board at their 12/14 meeting.

D. Future Business:

- Send additional thoughts, questions, and data requests to Dr. Bergstrom by Friday, December 11.

E. Future Meeting: Monday, December 21, 2020 6pm - 7:15pm