

Windsor Central Unified Union School District
Board of Directors Special Meeting
December 13, 2021, 6:30 p.m., WCSU Conference Room
[Virtual Zoom meeting recording](#)

Board Members Present:

Barnard:

Bryce Sammel (virtual)

Bridgewater:

Matthew Hough (physical)

Sarah Adams (virtual)

Killington:

Jim Haff (physical)

Plymouth:

Josh Linton (virtual)

Pomfret:

Bob Crean (virtual)

Bill Overbay (virtual)

Reading:

Anna Sessa (virtual)

Adam Ameenle (virtual)

Woodstock:

Keri Bristow (physical)

Ben Ford (virtual)

Sam DiNatale (physical)

Todd Ulman (virtual)

Matt Stout (virtual)

Louis Piconi (virtual- 7:48 p.m.)

Superintendent: Sherry Sousa (physical)

Principals/ Administration: Garon Smail (virtual), Jack Boymer, Athletic Director (virtual)

Recording Secretary: Rayna Bishop (virtual)

1. Quorum noted. Meeting begins at 6:31 p.m.
2. Amendments to the Agenda: none.
3. Public Comment: Public comment was heard on encouraging the board to support Supt. Sousa's plan, and a question about the previous no-spectator plan ([here](#))
4. Time Scheduled Discussion- Winter Sports Plan:
 - Supt. Sousa shared the proposed plan for spectators attending winter sports events. There was considerable discussion about the proposed plan and the current state of the pandemic, and the potential consequences of and reasons for changing the plan.
 - Motion from Bill Overbay to obtain data regarding the current trends in our district and to look at a compromised solution here. No second.
 - Motion from Jim Haff to return to the original plan (of no spectators) until more data is obtained. No second.
 - Motion from Bill Overbay to allow the 5th and 6th grade program to go forward, and allow our own students to be spectators, but hold off on opening up the doors to the visiting spectators until we have some more data. Seconded by Adam Ameenle. Bill amends the motion to include all elementary grades (accidental omission). Adam Ameenle seconds the amended motion. Data to include the current COVID rates within the school and the community, and the absenteeism.
 - Roll call vote required due to verbal nays:
 - YAYS: Jim Haff, Adam Ameenle, Bill Overbay, Sarah Adams
 - NAYS: Matthew Hough, Keri Bristow, Sam DiNatale, Matt Stout, Anna Sessa, Todd Ulman, Bob Crean, Ben Ford, Josh Linton, Louis Piconi
 - Motion fails.
 - Question about rapid test availability and if spectators could be tested before being allowed into an event. Supt. Sousa to look into it.

5. Public comment: Public comment was heard on support for the Supt.'s proposal for allowing spectators at winter sports.

Clarification was asked for about COVID rules for the Union Arena and to whom those rules apply.

6. Motion to adjourn at 8:14 p.m. Moved: Jim Haff. Seconded: Matthew Hough. All in favor.