

**MADISON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 5  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES SPECIAL MEETING  
Sunday, March 15, 2020**

The regular meeting was called to order at 5:03 p.m. by Chair William T. C. Wood. Board Members present were William Fabel, Charles Gilman (arrived at 5:13), John Russ Hamilton, Therese Sutton, Klint Todd and William T. C. Wood. Kendra Horn joined the meeting electronically at 5:06. Superintendent Micheal Wetherbee and Principal Stout were present.

Visitors: Laurie Bartoletti and Melissa Brummel

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None.

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Comment

**ADDRESSING CORONAVIRUS CONCERNS:**

The Board and Administration discussed the Governor's order closing public schools Monday, March 16 through Friday, March 27. They reviewed the education plans for closing the school, handouts on COVID-19, and CDC considerations for school closure. Discussion included, but was not limited to, the following: Teaching staff will begin preparing packets for distance learning, following the level 2 plan for school closure (see enclosed); all activity on campus will be suspended; meals will be available to students through grab and go or delivery; hourly staff will be employed as needed, possibly in alternative duties; events like graduation, prom, FFA and FCCLA competitions will be postponed for now; state-required assessments will be pushed back; teaching staff should be available through electronic means and will develop ways to work with students to best meet their needs; the administration will communicate frequently with the Board to keep trustees updated on plans for delivering education under these circumstances. The Trustees agreed to a weekly special meeting for the duration of the school closure. Since it appears that the Governor's order includes provision for full school funding, the Trustees directed that classified employees should be put on paid administrative leave for their contracted hours.

Coronavirus

Melissa Brummell, Madison County Public Health Department, stated that her office would be providing information to the public regarding the COVID-19 outbreak and updating people on the changing guidelines for public health and safety through the county website and Facebook page.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 5:41 p.m., John Russ Hamilton made a motion that the meeting be adjourned.

The minutes of this meeting were recorded and transcribed by Rebecca E. Larsen, District Clerk.

Adjourn

  
CLERK

  
CHAIRMAN