



Public Comment Responses Received During the WPS BOE Meeting on 6/22/2020

Below is the public record of public comment responses received during the 6/22/2020 BOE Meeting.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS/COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS - No public comment responses received during the live meeting. One test response received.

DISCUSSION

1. **Update from the Coleytown Middle School Building Committee** - No public comment responses received during the live meeting. One test response received.
2. **Report on Distance Learning Survey** - Public comments are posted exactly as they have been received.

Alex Kuhner	8 Quarter Mile Rd	What was the specific percent of teachers who said they were comfortable with distance learning for each school level? Saying it was "a majority" could mean 51%, which would mean 49% are not and we need to improve the situation for that group.
Alex Kuhner	8 Quarter Mile Rd	Comment: The system to manage attendance, assignments, schedules, grades, etc, needs to be a single platform with a standard use of each field. You can't have one teacher adding and assignment that says "Monday 5/15" while another writes a full sentence in the subject, or one teacher putting the date as the day you should do the work while another puts the date and time it must be turned in by (which is the correct way). There is no perfect platform, all of them can work, but poor implementations will ruin even the best software.
Alex Kuhner	8 Quarter Mile Rd	All the science says that High School should start later, 8:30am at the earliest. If we are still in distance learning mode, will we be able to set an earliest time of mandatory attendance online classes will start?

3. **Update from the School Reopening Committee** - Public comments are posted exactly as they have been received.

Elizabeth Williams	2 Cobble Hill	Thank you all for your hard work. Does taking a dynamic management approach consider starting from a goal-based decision making process? K-3 students are building foundational skills and online pedagogy is developmentally inappropriate. Is the district considering using many more teachers to teach small groups in person? Will the district consider re-organizing and reallocating the sizable assets at it's disposal?
Alex Kuhner	8 Quarter Mile Rd	When one speaker tonight said "sorry my internet went wonky" it was an illustration of how important broadband is to the educational experience online. We need to push internet providers to get more capacity to all of Westport and to subsidize it for those who need it. Or for all students. We also need to make sure teachers have strong broadband connections, no matter where they live, and pay for it so they have the best connections possible.

DISCUSSION/ACTION

1. **Authorization to Sign Contracts** - No public comment responses received during the live meeting. One test response received.
2. **Grant to Chief Financial Officer of emergency purchasing power-** No public comment responses received during the live meeting. One test response received.
3. **Second Reading of the Following Policies and Regulations:**
No public comment responses received during the live meeting. One test response received.
 - a. Policy 4138/4238 Non-School Employment
 - b. Regulation 4138/4238 Non-School Employment
 - c. Policy 4151.5/4215.5 Legal and Civic Duties
 - d. Policy 4118.24 Staff/Student Relations/Non-Fraternization