

MAPT
MONTHLY MEETING
July 16, 2020
Zoom Meeting

Board Members Present:

Michelle Caron-President
Brenda Cravens MSAD 60 - Secretary
Dottie Muchmore-Ex Officio

Cliff Chase- Vendor rep

Others Present: There were 32 attendees at the meeting.

Pat Hinkley

Meeting started at 10:00

Michelle welcomed everyone to the meeting. Reminder that ballots close at midnight for MAPT BOD positions.

The annual meeting is on 7/23 at 10:00 to count the ballots

Michelle reached out to Pat about the schedule of bus evacuations that are required by DOE and asked how we would do bus evacuation training for every student with the limitations of numbers of passengers. Pat encouraged everyone to attend the STARTS webinar for more information.

Michelle then asked for shares.

Katie Spear stated that they had not started their task force in their district until two weeks ago and she is unsure how they will be able to transport all her students without more guidance and help with funding.

Melissa Foye introduced herself as the new Director for Westbrook and stated that she is taking over for Joan Harmon. Michelle welcomed Melissa to the group..

Michelle stated that anyone who had questions should visit the NAPT site for their covid link. She stated that they have a very colorful powerpoint regarding busing and reducing outbreaks. Michelle stated that that is a good resource for people.

Michelle asked if anyone had thought about barriers.

Brenda stated that she is going ahead with lexan for now. Michelle spoke about the plastic barriers similar to what Adam had shared last month.

Peter Saucier asked about vans. Julie Waters has gone to a glass company to make a barrier for her single van.

Cliff Chase cautioned everyone to not compromise the integrity of the bus when installing barriers on buses and to check with Maine State Police prior to using.

Julie Waters asked Pat Hinkley about when information will be posted on the DOE site. Pat replied that information should be coming very soon and the information will include transportation guidance as well as school guidance.

Hand sanitizer questions:

. Is anyone putting dispensers in the bus? How are they attaching this to a bus? Some are installing dispensers, some are using bottles or spray.

Has anyone been asked to take student temperatures on the bus?

There was a great deal of discussion regarding this topic. Some Directors are not being asked to do this as the nursing staff will take temperatures at school, other districts are having parents self certify that they have taken the students temperatures and they are not exhibiting any symptoms.

Is anyone screening their staff?

Peter Saucier is screening staff and people who leave from home will need to take their own temperature and report to Dept. Head. Andy Madura stated that he had a bit of trouble with having temperatures of staff posted on a sheet for everyone to see and advised others to make a report sheet that only states that the person took their temperature.

Sanitizing buses:

Some are using spray bottles, some electrostatic sprayers.

Is anyone purchasing a washer and dryer to clean cloths that are being used to sanitize buses?

Dottie Muchmore stated that she is making this purchase as her bus aides are also wearing gowns while working with students with special needs.

Sandy Fecteau asked if anyone was changing to an electronic pre trip instead of paper.

Michelle is adjusting her paper forms to include disinfecting.

Dottie asked if anyone with pre K students are having parents help buckle in students on the bus.

No one stated that they were at that point yet.

Cliff asked the question, if daycares are required to re- take temperatures of students when they are already taking temps when students arrive at their daycare?. Michelle said she thought it would be up to individual schools to determine how that will happen and Pat agreed..

Michelle reminded everyone that voting closes tonight at midnight and please share with staff.

The meeting closed at 10:45 AM

Nest meeting July 23rd at 10:00

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Cravens

Secretary MAPT

