

**CHARLESTON BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**SPECIAL MEETING**  
**August 11, 2021**

The Charleston Board of Education met in special session on August 11, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. in the Fine Arts Building. Members present were: Mr. Jeff Hayes, Ms. Lacey Hewitt, Mr. Chad Keener, Mrs. Michele Schmitz, and Mr. Brian Verkamp. Also present were Mrs. Melissa Moore, Superintendent; Mr. Shane Storey, High School Principal; Mr. Brad Ray, Middle School Principal; Mr. Bruce Womack, Elementary School Principal; Mrs. Susan Brown, Federal Coordinator and Curriculum Specialist; Mrs. Rita Gramlich, District Treasurer, and members of the community.

Mr. Brian Verkamp established a quorum and called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m..

Mr. Jonas Schaffer presented information regarding the positive effects of CDC issued Covid guidelines and wearing facemasks.

Mr. Terry Scott presented an opposing view against the positive effects of wearing facemasks.

After the administration and board members held an in-depth discussion regarding facemasks, the following action was taken:

A motion was made by Mrs. Lacey Hewitt and seconded by Mr. Jeff Hayes to approve the requirement for all K-12 students and staff to wear facemasks indoors and on school buses effective August 16, 2021 through September 27, 2021, at which time the requirement to wear facemasks shall be reevaluated. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Mrs. Michele Schmitz and seconded by Mr. Chad Keener to accept the resignation of Rebecca Groen effective August 10, 2021. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Mr. Chad Keener and seconded by Mrs. Lacey Hewitt to adjourn at 6:58 p.m.. Motion carried 5-0.

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President

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Secretary