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From: Jenna Bacolor <bacolor@aaps.k12.mi.us>
Sent: Friday, December 11, 2020 6:12 PM
To: Susan Ringler-Cerniglia
Cc: Ruth Kraut
Subject: Re: Remote and In-Person School

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It might be moot. I can explain later.

Sent from my iPhone

On Dec 11, 2020, at 5:53 PM, Susan Ringler-Cerniglia <ringlers@washtenaw.org> wrote:

Today has gotten away from me. But, yes, I can reach out to Andrew. Or, Jenna, feel free to tell him he can reach out to me.

From: Ruth Kraut <krautr@washtenaw.org>
Sent: Thursday, December 10, 2020 10:10 PM
To: Bacolor, Jenna <bacolor@aaps.k12.mi.us>
Cc: Susan Ringler-Cerniglia <ringlers@washtenaw.org>
Subject: RE: Remote and In-Person School

Sounds good. Susan, are you following up with Andrew?

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From: Bacolor, Jenna <bacolor@aaps.k12.mi.us>
Sent: Thursday, December 10, 2020 9:18 PM

To: Ruth Kraut <krautr@washtenaw.org>
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The BOE didn't vote on anything related to going back to school, but Dr. Swift has stated at a previous BOE meeting that the plan is to bring small groups back at the end of Jan/early Feb. For the rest of your question, I'd prefer to have a phone conversation. In short, the focus of the metrics has changed over time, as new evidence has emerged -- I'd like to explain in a conversation vs email.

On Thu, Dec 10, 2020 at 7:02 PM Ruth Kraut <krautr@washtenaw.org> wrote:

I'd be happy to have Susan talk informally with Andrew – also can step in if needed.

I wonder if it might be helpful to show how the AAPS metrics have changed over time?

Also Jenna, I know there was a board meeting last night—was any specified plan voted on? (Eg return for special education or something?)

Ruth Kraut

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From: Susan Ringler-Cerniglia <ringlers@washtenaw.org>
Sent: Thursday, December 10, 2020 6:59 PM
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I'm happy to do that, unless you'd prefer to, Ruth? I also am wondering about the school list... and if clarifying is helpful or not. Any school could certainly be put in a similar situation with information taken out of context. Of course, the optimist in me wants to believe that none of them took the metrics accusations seriously?

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Would you be willing to talk to Andrew Cluley? He's been really disturbed by this as the district communications director. Then I don't have to be so close to it.

On Thu, Dec 10, 2020 at 6:44 PM Ruth Kraut <krautr@washtenaw.org> wrote:

Yes—Susan and I were discussing whether we do more harm or good if we weigh in.

Ruth Kraut

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Thanks. You can probably tell that I'm beyond frustrated that this narrative persists.

On Thu, Dec 10, 2020 at 5:49 PM Susan Ringler-Cerniglia <ringlers@washtenaw.org> wrote:

Thanks, Jenna. I hoped we had clarified in at least the one interview where we were asked. Initially, they didn't seem to be getting much attention, and I didn't want to draw more. Let's talk about what would be helpful at this point (and how/where).

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Hi Ruth and Susan,

Since the A2R2 community group continues to spread the misinterpretation (lie) about your email to me in September, I wonder if WCHD will ever clarify this stance publicly, and in reference to this email exchange in particular? This misinterpretation has been repeated in a "press release," in a WEMU interview, and in numerous statements to the Board of Education. Seems like the WCHD would want to clarify this exchange since it's been put out there repeatedly.

Happy to talk more about this, and thanks in advance for considering,

Jenna

On Thu, Dec 10, 2020 at 5:28 PM Ruth Kraut <krautr@washtenaw.org> wrote:

Hello Everybody,

Just a point of clarification: It is our goal to work in partnership with our school districts, charters, and private schools. We will work to help keep you as safe as possible whether you decide to operate in person or remotely.

We are fully in support of the governor's "Pause to save lives." Please keep in mind that at this point our test positivity rates and rates/100,000 remain very high.

Best,

Ruth

Ruth Kraut

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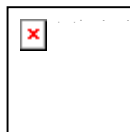
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