

The August 6th special called meeting will be held in the annex. Due to COVID-19, a maximum of ten people will be allowed in the room. The meeting will be live-streamed

The special called board meeting to discuss the opening of schools on Plan B was held on Thursday, August 6, 2020 with all members present. Due to COVID-19 and limited seating, the meeting was held in the annex and also live-streamed. Chairman Jones called the meeting to order.

Jennifer Greene, Health Director for AppHealthCare shared the most recent information on COVID-19 testing, positive cases, and working with Ashe County Schools leadership to bring children back to school in a safe environment and answered questions from the board. She shared her support of the safety measures that Ashe County Schools employees were taking to ensure the safe return of students and teachers to school under Plan B.

Dianne Eldreth expressed significant concern about children returning to school under Plan B. Polly Jones shared that the parents have spoken and want their children back in school.

Dr. Beckworth made a motion to begin school under Plan B as presented by Superintendent Cox, with the condition to update the board if a transition was needed to move to Plan C. The motion was seconded by Keith McClure. The motion passed 4-1 with Dianne Eldreth opposing.

A motion to adjourn was made by Chairman Jones.