



Baltimore Regional Cooperative Purchasing Committee

Call Report issued by Debbie Groat

6/9/20	Debbie Groat
	Education COVID19 Workgroup
	Mark Miller, Marie Ash, Rick Raulie, Bobbie Tolston, Dom Cusimano,
	Megan Bluthardt, Blake Fisher, & Kay Porter

DISCUSSION

Main point of discussion was to share information on COVID19 operations, disruptions and supply chain demands:

- a. Mark/Marie (Wicomico): Preparing for distance learning in the Fall but undecided as of yet. Using 1-1 for distance learning and Kajent to provide hotspot internet services to those who do not have it. Noted that poultry industry has a 2nd spike in COVID cases but are still operating. It is believed that social distancing is not being practiced in the densely populated areas that may be contributing to this, esp. since these areas are a major source for poultry plant employees. Rehoboth also has some new COVID hotspots.
- b. Rick (Cecil): Administrative employees will be returning to work beginning June 22 at a 50% capacity plan. They have installed barriers for public interface areas and social distancing signage in their buildings. They will operate on a 4 day 10 hours/day work schedule. Cecil County is in Stage 2. They will require a daily sheet for employee temperature checks and general health documentation. Plans for students are not known yet.
- c. Bobbie (Harford): Administrative employees are returning @ June 15 but telework is being encouraged. They are using committees to determine their return to work/school processes. Decisions about students are pending decisions by the State Superintendent of Schools. On 6/8/20, the Board approved their order for PPE supplies. They are installing barriers for pubic interface areas and will be on a 4 day 10 hours/day work schedule. They have a documented recovery plan.
- d. Dom (Howard CC): College will continue distance learning in the Fall with the exception of labs that will use the larger classrooms to accommodate social distancing. Employee return has no specific date as of yet. Howard County cases are down significantly and they are likely to follow the County's decision for employee return, expecting a 50% capacity return procedure.
- e. Megan/Blake (BMC): Interested in receiving a copy of Harford County Public Schools' recovery plan and any others that may be available. Mentioned the National stockpile for PPE as a resource and that they are looking for additional warehousing.
- f. Mark raised other concerns being faced with transportation under any full or partial opening, in light of the anticipated requirement for social distancing. There is simply, no capacity in the bus inventory for that. This will likely trigger more parents dropping off their children that will cause a significant increase in traffic at the schools. In addition, in order to accommodate social distancing in the Administrative Buildings, they may need to use schools for administrative staff.

Action Items:

<u>1.</u> Bobbie will share HCPS's recovery plan for distribution.