during quarantine and Flex Fridays.

Board Treasurer Ron Schwarz suggested that the board concentrate on what it can control. He asked what the community could do to make the return less of a risk.

Frampton responded that the most important thing is not to come to school sick.

Asked about a target date for reopening, Somers said it is March 8 due to the logistical complications involved. He said that many nearby districts are aiming for some time in March and said that the advantage of March 8 is that it would allow two weeks of instruction followed by spring break, during which time any adjustments could be made.

Somers said that there is a great deal of emotional and psychological anxiety involved in such a major change.

Board President Chris Taylor said it would be less disruptive to continue as we are with the hybrid model and said that some students fear that the schools will shut down entirely again in the event of a large outbreak.

Board Secretary Tiffiney Upchurch commented that some high school seniors would really like a return of normalcy before graduation, including a prom.

Leadership changes

Somers reported that three leadership positions are currently being filled. These are the principal of Palmer Ridge High School, the principal of Lewis-Palmer Elementary School, and the district's chief financial officer. Advisory committees have been formed for the principal positions and interviews will begin soon. The current chief financial officer will continue to work until the end of the school year but will do so remotely.

Grace Best update

Somers also reported that the Steering Committee for the Grace Best Master Plan has been selected. All who applied were accepted to the committee and they have met twice. There will be a community discussion in April. Three tours of the facility have been

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conducted, and a community survey will be sent out.

Energy audit update

The Schneider Electric energy





- Supporting the Needy in March 2021
 - Pennies for Patients for LLS at Bear Creek Elementary

Saturday ZOOM Meetings. New Time: 9:00am

- D38 High School Key Club Projects Ongoing
- **Granting Cycle Opens in April**
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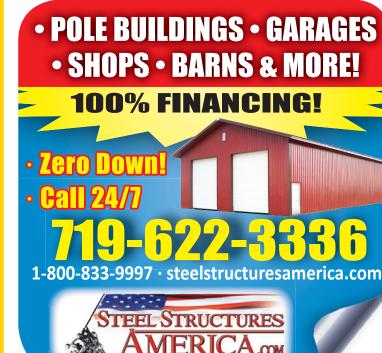
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