

Dr. Smith –

The week of December 6, 2021 Dr. Smith, Mr. Moran and Mr. Watson interviewed students and involved the sheriffs department in investigating possible threats. Every possible threat will be thoroughly investigated and the police will be contacted. Even a student who waved an imaginary knife was taken seriously. Students cannot talk or joke about school violence or post false information on social media, if you hear or see something please call the superintendent, his office phone is forwarded to his cell phone. The school will look into every concern or possibility aggressively, it will result in discipline, please report to an administrator.

Board Reports/Requests –

Mr. Max Anderson – the Finance committee met and discussed the purchase of a buss, budget updates and ESSER funding.

Discussion Only –

1. ESSER Survey Results – Dr. Keith Smith

The ESSER survey is still open, 400+ surveys have been completed so far, ESSER funds are specific to COVID.

2. Millage Renewal – Dr. Keith Smith

The millage renewal will appear on the special election ballot May 3, 2022. This is the operating millage that mainly affects businesses and 2nd homeowners and will appear on the January agenda. If not passed the state will not backfill the foundation allowance shortfall.

3. January Organizational – Dr. Keith Smith

The January meeting will be our organizational meeting for BOE positions, committees and 2022 meeting dates will be set.

4. Staffing Update – Dr. Keith Smith

At a Special BOE meeting in November we approved the new hire of Nancy Olenchek who is a West Point grad for HS chemistry teacher, she will be working on her physics endorsement. We were losing a teacher to Cadillac however after accepting the position Cadillac changed the assignment so our teacher changed their mind and will be staying with KAS.

5. School Bus Update – Dr. Keith Smith

We received the purchase of one bus for 2021/2022 and will be asking for approval of the purchase of 1 additional bus for 2021/2022 if we are able to receive it prior to June 30, 2022.

6. Code of Conduct – Mrs. Beth Lajko

Beth forwarded the code of conduct information from our school attorney to the BOE to review and has not received any suggested changes. If we are making this policy we will need to conduct 2 readings, for the time being this will be a BOE document.

Motion to: Amend the agenda to add the following to discussion and action: 1. Bus Purchase, 2. Code of Conduct

Motion made by Max

2nd Tony

Carried

Public Comment –

Bre Mayer – School safety, parent communication concerns.

Steve Morgan – BOE member concerns, code of conduct.

Lydia Eggleston – Lunch comments, MS lockdown rumor, bathroom soap, paper towels and hand sanitizer availability.

Discussion and Action –

1. Bus Purchase

Motion to: Approve the purchase of a bus not to exceed \$95,000.

Motion made by Tony

2nd Max

Carried

2. Board of Education Code of Conduct

Motion to: Approve the Board of Education Code of Conduct document as presented to the BOE.

Motion made by Kelly 2nd Max

Mike – Aye, Tony – Aye, Kelly – Aye, Beth – Aye, Vivien – Aye, Max – Aye Carried

Board Round Table –

Mrs. Vivien Snyder – The combined band/choir concert was the most impressive concert yet!

Mrs. Kelly Saxton – Congratulations to all of the students of the month.

Mr. Tony Temple – Would like the Code of Conduct to go back to the school attorney.

Mr. Mike Schueller – Congratulations to the students of the month for all of your hard work and to Leslie Hamilton for signing.

Mike is very frustrated with all of the false information on Facebook, if you have questions please call the superintendent or a board member, the false information is creating more problems and fear. We need to have a BOE discussion about procedures.

Closed Session –

Motion to: Go into Closed Session for Student Discipline at 7:45pm.

Motion made by Tony 2nd Kelly

Carried

Out of Closed Session at 9:35 pm

Motion to: Suspend student 2122A for 60 days, student must sign and abide by behavioral contract, student is required to report to the Board of Education at the February 2022 meeting.

Motion made by Vivien 2nd Beth

Carried

Motion to: Go into Closed Session for Superintendent Evaluation at 9:41pm.

Motion made by Tony 2nd Mike

Carried

Out of Closed Session at

Adjournment –

Motion to: Adjourn at

Motion made by

Mary Bogart
Administrative Assistant
Kingsley Area Schools