



Mr. Watson –

- Thank you to the BOE for the support to make decisions regarding lockers and cafeterias.
- KMS has a handful of students who are in quarantine this week.
- Ms. Thomas has been working with grades 5-8 focusing on bullying.
- 5<sup>th</sup> graders will participate in the elementary career day on April 30<sup>th</sup>.
- 8<sup>th</sup> grade science day is May 14<sup>th</sup>, students will spend the day at the Hill property with Ms. Smith and HS science teachers.
- Report cards will be sent home April 6<sup>th</sup> for the 3<sup>rd</sup> marking period.
- PSAT for 8<sup>th</sup> grade is scheduled April 13<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade MSTEP April 27<sup>th</sup>-the end of May.

#### **Board Reports/Requests –**

Mrs. Kelly Saxton – The finance committee met tonight, facilities will meet tomorrow.

#### **Discussion –**

##### **1. End of Year Activities: Prom, Graduation, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Promotion – Dr. Keith Smith**

Prom is scheduled for May 1<sup>st</sup> at Greystone Mansion, the venue has outside tents and will limit the food area to 25 guests at a time. Prom will be for KAS juniors and seniors only, invited underclassmen with principal approval. Graduation is scheduled for June 11<sup>th</sup>, ideally inside adhering to capacity guidelines knowing that we may have to plan the venue outside. 8<sup>th</sup> grade promotion is an important passage for our students. All 3 of these events are in the planning stages at this time, we will have to remain flexible to current guidelines at the time of the event.

##### **2. Self-Funding Insurance – Dr. Keith Smith**

2020/2021 has been a rough year for high cost claims, we are expecting an approximate increase of 12% however that increase would have been 25% if not for switching to the self-funding, this increase puts us around the 2018 rates. Employees enrolled in the HSA plan are estimated to receive \$200 per month into their HSA accounts down from approximately \$300 previously. Stop loss will be set at approximately \$97,000.

##### **3. Food Service Spend Down – Dr. Keith Smith**

The food service spend down plan has been approved by the state, KAS was forced to spend \$18,000, planned upgrades should bring us down for a few years, we are also looking at procuring a food service vehicle.

##### **4. State Testing Update – Dr. Keith Smith**

The state testing blanket waiver was not approved but districts will be held harmless. State testing is starting this week, Dr. Smith is in support of state testing, virtual learning is not successful and the testing should reflect that. Virtual learners will not be forced to test so test scores will not be totally accurate due to the lack of virtual students who will participate.

#### **Public Comment –**

Ron Spellman – COVID executive order concerns

Paul Postal – COVID & mental health concerns, 4/5/21-4/9/21 high school/middle school closure, did the health department give directive or suggestion?

Dr. Keith Smith – It was the belief of Dr. Smith that when the health department issued a directive to close that KAS was to follow that directive.

Lori Tulppo – Prom is more important than COVID, COVID testing of athletes is against student rights.

Brad Jewett – COVID/Prom

Wes Harrand – COVID/Prom/Graduation

Ron Spellman – COVID testing violation of rights

Mark Bancroft – COVID/Prom

Mrs. Beth Lajko – This is a reminder that the Board of Education does not reply to public comment during a public meeting.

#### **Motion to: Amend the agenda – add Discussion and Action #3 Prom and Graduation**

Motion made by Max

2<sup>nd</sup> Vivien

Carried

**Discussion and Action –**

**1. Finance Committee Recommendations – Mrs. Kelly Saxton**

Finance is recommending that Kingsley Area Schools offer \$12,000.00 towards the DDA wayfinding sign project.

**Motion to: Approve \$12,000.00 towards the DDA wayfinding sign project with final approval of sign design.**

Motion made by Kelly 2<sup>nd</sup> Vivien

Mr. Mike Schueller – while the wayfinding sign project is a great idea, I do not support the \$12,000.00 expenditure during COVID.

Mrs. Beth Lajko - \$12,000.00 is a compromise of the amount the DDA requested, this would be a one-time expenditure, the DDA would be responsible for up-keep.

Dr. Keith Smith – In support of the community project which directly benefits the school.

Heather – Aye, Mike – No, Kelly – Aye, Beth – Aye, Vivien – No, Max – Abstain

**Motion did not meet minimum votes required**

**2. Approval to Hire – Dr. Keith Smith**

a. **Tim Wooser/MS Boys Track & Field Coach**

b. **Jared Case/MS Track & Field Coach**

c. **Renee Thon/MS Special Education Aide**

**Motion to: Approval to hire Tim Wooser/MS Boys Track & Field Coach, Jared Case/MS Track & Field Coach and Renee Thon/MS Special Education Aide.**

Motion made by Kelly 2<sup>nd</sup> Heather Carried

**3. Prom/Graduation – Dr. Keith Smith**

Mr. Moran is requesting Board of Education support for Prom, the BOE does not need to make a decision about how many students can attend.

Dr. Keith Smith – we appreciate the public opinion, while we all want normal we have to be mindful that we could be shut back down.

Mr. Moran – not as concerned about outside guests attending prom as how we are going to control the numbers if KHS is the only school hosting prom. Mr. Moran will contact the venue to find out what current number restrictions are.

KHS student – consider only allowing students with a boyfriend/girlfriend from outside of KHS to bring an outside guest, keep a list of all attendees with phone numbers.

Mrs. Beth Lajko – Kingsley students are known for being respectable and making the right decisions. The decision made tonight is at this moment in time, due to COVID this could all change.

**Motion to: Move forward with prom under Mike Moran’s direction.**

Motion made by Kelly 2<sup>nd</sup> Vivien

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

**Board Round Table –**

None

**Closed Session –**

**Motion to: Go into Closed Session at 8:40pm for student discipline.**

Motion made by Vivien 2<sup>nd</sup> Mike Carried

Out of Closed Session at 9:30pm.

**Motion to: Reinstate student 2020/2021B to return in-person starting Wednesday, April 14, 2021 with amended behavioral plan under strict supervision of Mr. Watson. Student will check-in with Mr. Watson daily prior to the start of school to turn in his phone and check-in at the end of the day and pick up his phone. Any violation of the behavioral contract will result in a Board hearing.**

Motion made by Heather 2<sup>nd</sup> Vivien

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

**Motion to: Go into Closed Session at 9:36pm for student discipline.**

