

**KINGSLEY AREA SCHOOLS**  
**Board of Education Emergency Meeting**  
**November 12, 2020**  
**Meeting held at the High School Commons at 7:00 P.M.**

**Emergency Meeting Called to Order – at 7:00 p.m.**

**Motion to: Approve Emergency Meeting**

Mike – Aye, Clay – Aye, Beth – Aye, Kelly – Aye, Tracy – Aye, Vivien – Aye, Tony – Aye      Carried

**Members Present** – Tony Temple, Beth Lajko, Kelly Saxton, Vivien Snyder, Mike Schueller, Clay Skrzypczak, Tracy Endres

**Roll Call** – Pledge of Allegiance

**Approval of Agenda –**

Motion to: Approve agenda as presented.

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

**Discussion –**

**1. COVID Update – Dr. Keith Smith**

A member of the football coaching staff has tested positive for COVID and a number of athletes are out of school this week, on the evening of November 11, 2020 Keith, Mitch, Mike Moran, Tony, Clay and Mike Schueller met to discuss the football game scheduled to take place on November 13, 2020.

The following safety precautions were put in place:

- Any player absent from school this week was asked to submit to a rapid COVID test
- Athletes who choose not to test will not practice or play this week (or until 14 days following their absence)
- Of the 6 athletes who were requested to test 2 were positive, 3 were negative and 1 chose not to test
- Mr. Moran conducted contact tracing; 13 students and 1 staff member were identified as close contacts, the health department will also conduct contact tracing
- As of right now there are 2 positive players and 6 football players quarantined

Coach Wooer (via phone) feels that the remaining players can play safely

Dr. Smith – There is no shame in canceling the game, safety has to come first, can we proceed in a responsible manner, will the coaching staff be able to proceed without the positive coach?

Coach Wooer – yes, we have prepared this week. Players have also been temperature checked and asked the COVID questions prior to practice.

**Public Comments –**

None

**Discussion and Action –**

**1. COVID – Dr. Keith Smith**

The health department recommends keeping students in school for social distancing, halting all sports at this time, switching to virtual learning Thanksgiving through Christmas. With the rise in positive cases contact tracing is taking longer.

Coach Wooer has put safety measures in place for practicing, temperature checks and COVID questions have also been added. Parent transportation to the game and limiting the number of players attending are good measures.

**Motion to – Proceed with the November 13, 2020 game, reduce the number of players attending and transportation to be provided by parents.**

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

Tracy – No, Vivien – Aye, Kelly – Aye, Mike – Aye, Clay – Aye, Beth – No, Tony – No Carried

**Board Round Table –**

Mike – The meeting was short notice however he would have appreciated parent and player input, we are making the best decision that we can.

Clay – Feels marginally comfortable with the decision that was made with the current data.

Beth – Good luck with the game, our coach is a great mentor who puts athletes health and safety first.

Vivien – Agrees with the health department, students in school is safer, Tim is a responsible coach, we are doing all that we can do to be safe.

Tony – the Board has been very proactive along with the coaches, it's okay to disagree. Good luck to the team.

**Adjournment –**

**Motion to: Adjourn at 8:03 pm.**

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

Carried

Mary Bogart  
Administrative Assistant  
Kingsley Area School