

Kane School Council

January 20, 2022

Present: Kalliope Pantazopoulos, Rupal Patel, Heather Sargent, Amy Allen, Kathy Cormier, Katherine Kerr, Maura Jones

Absent: Matt LeFevre, Jen Santillo

Start: 4:04 End: 5:01

Agenda

Approval of Minutes: Minutes from the November 30th meeting were approved.

School Update:

Kane's Boosterthon was a success! Kane raised over \$11,000. The Dance Party was held on January 19th in the gym. Kane is going to try and push our date until the Spring next year so that we can do something outside.

Covid cases in the school have gone down significantly since coming back after break.

Mask mandate will remain in place until February 28th, as of right now.

Testing: The Superintendent is working with School Committee on making a decision as to whether Marlborough will continue to test and stay or not.

NWEA is just about wrapped up for the mid-year assessment in both Math and ELA. Kane uses this data for intervention groups, SST process, and to see student growth in these academic areas.

Kane is also conducting ACCESS testing. This takes the month of January. Kane teachers are doing their best to catch up missed tests by absent students. The original window has been extended to March 4th due to Covid.

MCAS is still scheduled during its normal time. Marlborough doesn't have definite dates set as a district.

The first round of Kane's before and after school intervention is slated to end the week of January 31st. Next round starts February 7th, and these groups will be based on the latest round of NWEA data.

Winterfest was cancelled due to Covid. PTO is hoping for a Springfest or something similar but there is a chance the event may need to be skipped for one more year.

Kane's second book fair will be coming in March with a Family Night and book distribution.

Questions to discuss at the meeting:

What's one project we can organize to improve the physical environment of our school?

- Looking for donations of more durable tables/tents for the courtyard/front of school.
- Create a Garden Club to help with upkeep of courtyard (high school/Women's Garden Club)
- Composting bin to help with that gardening

- Revamp/update/freshen up the lunchroom

What system at Kane might we want to improve?

- Bulletin boards are being destroyed during buses. Awareness needs to be brought to this, so it stops.
- Adding shelves/hooks in the hall to alleviate classroom closet clutter/overflow. Kalliope will look into this.
- Food collection from breakfast to maybe get to the food pantry-milk, fruit.
- Clothing swap for families.

Open Forum: no public

Next meeting: February 17th

Adjournment: 5:01