

Dover Board of Health COVID-19 Meeting Minutes - March 3, 2021

Held remotely via zoom

Participants: Professor Gerald Clarke, Chairman; Stephen Kruskall, M.D., member; Kay Petersen, M.D., member

1. Meeting called to order 7:02 pm
2. Protocols for football were discussed. It was proposed that football players would undergo weekly pool testing initially, but move to testing twice a week once students were back in school in person 4 days a week.
3. Protocols for lacrosse would be the same as football as would be other high-risk extracurricular activities.
4. Dr. Kruskall made a motion, seconded by Dr. Petersen, to approve the proposal that football players initially begin with weekly testing, but move to twice weekly testing once students are in school 4 times per week. The motion passed unanimously.
5. There was a discussion about increasing the number of days that students would be able to attend school in person. The school administration had sent out surveys to gauge sentiment on the matter and found the majority of parents wanted more in-person learning.
6. In-person school plan highlights:
 - Students to be 5.5 ft from one another
 - Additional inner classrooms to be utilized
 - Lunchroom space would be expanded
 - Air quality improvements to the buildings made
 - Buses would have modified seating and open windows
7. Dr. Petersen made a motion, seconded by Dr. Kruskall, to endorse the school plan as presented by the Health and Hygiene Committee for a return to increase in-person learning beginning on April 5, 2021.
8. At 7:38 pm it was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting. The motion was approved unanimously.