

**October 20, 2011 3:00 p.m. Grade 7 Students Report about Keene Middle School**

Present: Wayne Woolridge  
Tim Ruehr  
Kelly French  
Sheila Vara  
Cindy Benner  
Kristin Roach  
Emilia Whippie  
Vicki Dowley  
Jennifer Kiernan

Sydney Carlisle  
Julia Vizcaino  
Bradley Auclair

Three Nelson students from the seventh grade at Keene Middle School met with the Board regarding their experiences at Keene Middle School. The students represent Cluster A, B & C.

Students talked about their use of ENO boards and seem to prefer Nelson's Smart Boards. The students also talked about their lockers. There seemed to be some issues with the new lockers. The students talked about a time capsule that current sixth grade students would be digging up after reading "The Call of the Beaver." The students also discussed note taking and smart cards and mentioned being well prepared for math.

Ms. Vara asked what the school might do to make their transition easier. No one had any suggestions. The students discussed homework assignments.

The students remarked that the biggest change is having to get up really early and the difference in the size of the school. The students also talked about book reports they were working on or had recently completed.

The students shared that they were occasionally taking the late bus. The students suggested that future KMS students from Nelson get more instruction on how to set up the master binder. They also shared the issues around Nelson students being behind in typing class and are using Microtype at KMS.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Jill Wdowiak  
Recording Secretary

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