

BOARD BRIEF

KINGSWAY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Committed to Excellence



K **Vision for Excellence:** It is the vision of the Kingsway Regional School District to successfully prepare students for their unique path in life. **Mission:** The Kingsway Regional School District, guided by our core values, engages students within a diverse and nurturing community dedicated to our Vision for Excellence.



Highlights from the Kingsway Regional School District Board of Education meetings held on October 13, 2022 and October 20, 2022.

ENROLLMENT as of September 30, 2022	
High School	1952
Middle School	958
TOTAL	2910

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Lavender updated the Board on a variety of topics related to the District, which included the following discussion item(s):

- NJSBA Convention
- Fall Activities
- Policy Updates
- HIB Self-Assessment
- Student Board of Education Representative

STAFF RECOGNITION

- We had the pleasure of introducing Tori Drechsler and Elizabeth Whitehurst to the Board of Education.



STUDENT RECOGNITION

Spotlight Students and Seniors of the Month each received a \$25.00 gift certificate to Martell's Corner. These awards are made courtesy of the Kingsway Education Foundation.

Middle School Spotlight Students	
October 2021	
K	Efrain Kitchin
I	Mason DeNick
N	Kian Perry
G	Tyler Sedlock
S	Raina Christenson
W	Audrey Curtis
A	Hope Jones
A	Lena Smith
Y	Amelia Giordano

High School Spotlight Students	
Grade 9	David Oravetz
Grade 10	Hannah Weismer
Grade 11	Robert Scott
Grade 12	Christine Yang

Seniors of the Month	
September 2022	
	Mahgul Mahmood
	Timothy Ninan
October 2022	
	Daniel Allen
	Deshon Cooper

PERSONNEL

DISTRICT EMPLOYMENT

Appointments:

- Mary Mattson Deojay (General Café Worker Substitute)
- Melissa Weicker (General Café Worker Substitute)
- Lauren Ficke (School Nurse Substitute)

Resignations:

- None

Schedule "B":

- [Various positions were approved.](#)

Leaves of Absence:

- Brian Boone (Custodian)
- Lance Bovain (Custodian)
- Virginia Getsinger (Bus Driver)

Internships/Practicum

- None

HIGH SCHOOL EMPLOYMENT**Appointments:**

- Dana S. Ott (Teacher of Business LTS)
- Michael Husni (Teacher of Special Education)

Resignation:

- None

Retirement:

- None

Schedule "B":

- [Various positions were approved.](#)

Leaves of Absence:

- None

MIDDLE SCHOOL EMPLOYMENT**Appointments:**

- Mary Ann Allen (Paraprofessional)
- Lamar Price, Jr. (Network Technician)

Resignation:

- None

Schedule "B":

- [Various positions were approved.](#)

Leaves of Absence:

- None

FIELD/ TRIPS/ASSEMBLIES

- **10/19/2022.** KRHS Choirs will attend a workshop at Rowan University in Glassboro, NJ.
- **10/25/2022.** HS Team Scholastics will attend a college visit to Villanova University in Villanova, PA.
- **10/26/2022.** DECA will attend COLT Chapter Officer Leadership Training in Union, NJ.
- **10/26/2022.** STEM Academy & Engineering Classes, Grades 10-12, will participate in STEM Enrichment at PSE&G Co.

- **10/26/2022.** HS Team Scholastics will attend a college visit to Rowan University in Glassboro, NJ.
- **10/27/2022.** HS Team Scholastics will attend a college visit to Stockton University in Atlantic City, NJ.
- **10/27/2022.** HS STEM Academy, Grade 9, will participate in STEM Enrichment at Temple University School of Engineering in Philadelphia, PA.
- **10/28/2022.** HS STEP Class will participate in Community Based Instruction (CBI), Hill Creek Farms, in Mullica Hill, NJ.
- **11/01/2022.** HS Team Scholastics will attend a college visit to Stockton University in Galloway, NJ.
- **11/2/2022, 11/16/2022, 11/30/2022.** The HS STEP Class will participate in CBI at 2nd Chance Boutique in Woodbury, NJ.
- **11/4/2022.** The HS STEP Class will participate in CBI at the Swedesboro Diner in Swedesboro, NJ.
- **11/5/2022.** The HS Students in Action (SIA) Team will attend the Regional Fall Conference in Edison, NJ.
- **11/16/2022.** The HS Honors Holocaust & Genocide Studies Class will attend the Sara & Sam Schoffer Holocaust Center at Stockton University in Galloway, NJ.
- **11/17/2022.** The MS STEP Class will participate in CBI at ShopRite in Mullica Hill, NJ.
- **11/18/2022.** The HS STEP Class will participate in CBI at ShopRite in Mullica Hill, NJ.
- **11/30/2022.** The HS STEP Class will participate in CBI at the Philly Pretzel Factory in Mullica Hill, NJ.
- **12/9/2022.** The HS STEP Class will participate in CBI at the Deptford Mall, Deptford, NJ.
- **12/15/2022.** The MS STEP Class will participate in CBI at the Deptford Mall in Deptford, NJ.
- **5/23/2023.** The KRHS Choirs will attend a Choral Competition at Rowan University in Glassboro, NJ.
- **6/9/2023.** The 8th Grade Students will attend the 8th Grade Class Trip on the Spirit of Philadelphia in Philadelphia, PA.

FUNDRAISERS

- **10/21/2022 – 10/23/2022.** The HS Student Council will sell Homecoming Dance Tickets to raise funds for dance décor, dance D.J., dance linens, Stuco Field Trips (5) and the Winter Formal.
- **11/18/2022 – 12/9/2022.** The MS #1DragonFamily will have a toy collection drive and donate toys to the Toys for Tots program.

EMERGENCY DRILLS/CALLS

School/ Date	Time	Drill
MS 09/16/2022	Start: 08:15 AM End: 08:30 AM	Stage 1 Evacuation Drill
MS 09/30/2022	Start: 09:10 AM End: 09:18 AM	Fire Drill
HS 09/12/2022	Start: 01:45 PM End: 02:00 PM	Fire Drill
HS 09/29/2022	Start: 10:58 AM End: 11:05 AM	Fire Drill

POLICY

The Board recommended the following for **FIRST** reading for revisions and/or adoption.

Policy/Regulation Number	Title
Policy #0143.2	High School Student Representative to the Board of Education
Policy #5722	Student Journalism
Policy/Regulation 2432	School Sponsored Publications (ABOLISHED)
Policy/Regulation #1581	Domestic Violence
Policy/Regulation #5330	Administration of Medication
Policy #2431.3	Heat Participation Policy for Student-Athlete Safety
Policy/Regulation #5330.04	Administering an Opioid Antidote
Policy #5756	Transgender Students
Regulation #2460.8	Special Education - Free and Appropriate Public Education
Policy/Regulation #8461	Reporting Violence, Vandalism, Harassment, Intimidation, Bullying, Alcohol, and Other Drug Offenses
Policy/Regulation #3218/4218	Use, Possession, or Distribution of Substances
Policy #8670	Transportation of Special Needs Students
Policy #5610	Suspension
Policy #5620	Expulsion
Policy #1620	Administrative Employment Contracts
Policy #2431	Athletic Competition
Regulation #2431.1	Emergency Procedures for Sports and Other Athletic Activity
Policy/Regulation #5330.05	Seizure Action Plan
Policy 6440	Cooperative Purchasing
Policy/Regulation #6470.01	Electronic Funds Transfer and Claimant Certification
Policy #7450	Property Inventory
Policy #8420	Emergency and Crisis Situations

Policy #8561	Procurement Procedures for School Nutrition Programs
Policy #5517	School District Issued Student Identification Cards

The Board recommended the following for **SECOND** reading for revisions and/or adoption.

- None

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

The Board approved the following Professional Development Plans and Teacher Mentor Program:

- **11/30/2022.** Valerie Palmer and Lauren Warner will attend Best Practices in Co-Teaching: Effective Strategies and Realistic Solutions for Inclusive Classrooms (Grades 1-12) in Cherry Hill, NJ.
- **11/30/2022 – 12/2/2022.** Balvir Singh will attend the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics (NCTM) 2022 Regional Conference in Baltimore, MD.
- **1/11/2023.** Patricia Calandro will attend the virtual Co-Teaching & Consultation workshop.
- **3/28/2023 – 3/31/2023.** Susan Vance will attend Finalsite University in Orlando, FL.

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING WORKSHOPS

The Board approved the following workshops:

- **11/2/2022.** Nicole Cammarota will facilitate Extension and Expansion: Designing for Rigor in HS Room 217.
- **11/15/2022.** Nicole Cammarota will facilitate Progress Monitoring: Putting Your Best Foot Forward to Track Student Progress in HS Room 216.
- **11/15/2022.** Megan Bruder and Charae Whetstone will facilitate Assessment Literacy, Weights & Ranges in HS Room 217.

PROGRAMS

The Board approved the following:

- KRSD Emergency Virtual or Remote Instruction Program 2022-2023
- Marzano Teacher Evaluation Model (2014) for the evaluation of all teaching faculty and the NJ Principal Evaluation and Professional Learning Instrument for the evaluation of an administrative faculty as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

The Board approved the following awards and scholarships:

- None

RESEARCH PROJECTS

- The Board approved a project for a voluntary and anonymous survey of Child Study Team (CST) perceptions of disabilities and sexual orientation & CST's preparedness to address needs by applicant Dr. Joseph Hogan of Kean University. Dates TBD after Kean University Institutional Review Board approval.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENTS

- None

OUT-OF-DISTRICT PLACEMENT

- Various placements were approved.

BUSINESS, FACILITIES & FINANCE

- **The Board approved the Board Secretary's Report and Bill List.**
- **Receipt and Acceptance of Student Activity and Athletic Account Financial Reports.** The Board accepted the Student Activity and Athletic Account Financial Reports for the period ending September 30, 2022.
- **Textbook List.** The Board approved the Kingsway Textbook List for the 2022-2023 school year.
- **Depositories and Signatories.** The Board approved official depositories and signors of the Kingsway Regional School District.
- **Bid Award Baseball Stadium Renovations.** The Board authorized the School Business Administrator to execute a contract with W.J. Gross, Inc.
- **HIB Self-Assessment.** The Board approved the 2021-2022 HIB Self-Assessment & HIB Grade Report.
- **Application for Grant Funding.** The Board authorized Kingsway Regional School District to apply as a partner with Rowan College of South Jersey (RCSJ) for National Science Foundation (NSF) grant funding on the proposed Racial Equity along STEM Pathways project.

MISCELLANEOUS

Numerous other requests for approval for workshop attendance, student activities, and education items were approved by the Board of Education. These approvals will be reflected in the formal minutes of the meeting, which are available in the office of the Board of Education secretary as well as posted online after Board approval.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board is Thursday, November 17, 2022, in person in the High School East Cafeteria; or by [Zoom Conference](#) and begins at 6:30 p.m.

UPCOMING EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

- [Full Schedule Activity Calendar](#)
- 10/29 – BLA Community Paint Event @ 10:00 a.m.
- 11/3 – Title 1 Parent Information Night (Virtual)
- 11/5 - [KEF 20th Annual Holiday Craft Show](#)
- 11/7-11 – Fall Break – School Closed
- 11/8 – Election Day
- 11/14 – BLA Academy/DECA Parent Night
- 11/16 – KEF Harvest Gala for Senior Citizens
- 11/17 – MS Veteran's Day Breakfast
- 11/17 – MS Play @ 6:30 p.m.
- 11/17 – National Honor Society Induction @ 6:30 p.m.
- 11/17 – Board of Education Meeting
- 11/18 – MS Play @ 6:30 p.m.

HOLIDAY CRAFT SHOW
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5th
9AM TO 3PM
 Kingsway Regional High School
 Route 322 & Kings Hwy, Woolwich
Handmade Crafts & Kingsway Apparel

Show your support for our vendors by shopping small business this holiday season.
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