

BOARD BRIEF

KINGSWAY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Committed to Excellence



★ **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 September 7, 2023 and September 14, 2023.

ENROLLMENT as of September 14, 2023	
High School	1963
Middle School	979
Out of District	50
TOTAL	2.992

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

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

- Opening of School
- Student Representation
- New Teacher Orientation
- 2022-2023 HIB Self-Assessment
- Superintendent’s Goals

STAFF RECOGNITION

- We had the pleasure of introducing our [new staff](#) members to the Board of Education.



STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES.

- The Board administered the Oath of Office to the Student Representatives to the Board of Education for the 2023-2024 School Year:
 - Logan Schaffer
 - Grace Morris



PERSONNEL

DISTRICT EMPLOYMENT

Appointments:

- John Peplowski (Groundsperson)

Resignations/Retirements:

- None

Schedule “B”:

- [Various positions were approved.](#)

Leaves of Absence:

- None

HIGH SCHOOL EMPLOYMENT

Appointments:

- None

Resignation/Retirement:

- None

Schedule “B”:

- [Various positions were approved.](#)

Leaves of Absence:

- Kathy Gallen (Secretary – HS)
- Heather Haines (Teacher of Special Education)

- Erica Fox (Teacher of Science)

MIDDLE SCHOOL EMPLOYMENT

Appointments:

- Patricia Knott (Building Permanent Sub and LTS)
- Thomas Aimino (Custodian)

Resignation:

- Tara Kuroda (Teacher of Science)
- Leonardo Santiago (Teacher of World Language)

Schedule "B":

- [Various positions were approved.](#)

Leaves of Absence:

- None

INTERNSHIPS/PRACTICUM

The Board of Education approved the following Practicum, Student Teachers, Visitors and Internships:

- **10/10/2023 – 10/17/2023:** Ryan Mathis, Rylie Phillips, Ava Rozmus, Alexandra Smith and Emily Valentino: Field Experience-Music Education, Rowan University. Cooperating Mentors: Stephanie Owens (MS: Grades 7-8) and Joe Henderson (HS: Grades 9-12)
- **10/24/2023 – 10/31/2023:** Jack Darischuk, Emma Friel, Rachel Gavin, Daine Ionescu, and Katherine Lanzerotti: Field Experience-Music Education, Grades 7-12, Rowan University. Cooperating Mentors: Stephanie Owens (MS: Grades 7-8) and Joe Henderson (HS: Grades 9-12)
- **11/14/2023 – 11/21/2023:** Francesco Angelastro, Abigail Betz, Brooke Blizzard, Lillian DeFrank, and Alexander DeStefano: Field Experience-Music Education, Grades 7-12, Rowan University. Cooperating Mentors: Stephanie Owens (MS: Grades 7-8) and Joe Henderson (HS: Grades 9-12)
- **9/15/2023 – 12/20/2023:** Alyssa Bonitatibus: Field Experience-Child Study Team, Rowan University. Cooperating Mentor: Melissa Lachall, Grades 9-12).
- **9/15/2023 – 12/20/2023:** Christa Hiddemen: Field Experience-Child Study Team, Rowan University. Cooperating Mentor: Dr. Shanna Hoffman (Grades 7-12).
- **9/15/2023 – 12/20/2023:** Lauren Tuller: Field Experience: Child Study Team, Rowan University.

Cooperating Mentor: Maria DiGiovanni (Grades 9-12).

- **9/15/2023 – 12/20/2023:** Amanda Hannigan: School Leadership Administrative Internship, Wilmington University. Cooperating Mentor: Emily Virga.

PRESENTATIONS:

- Student Representatives Report

FIELD/ TRIPS/ASSEMBLIES

- **10/21/2023.** The Model UN Club will attend the South Jersey Model UN Conference at Eastern High School in Voorhees, NJ.
- **10/25/2023.** Team Scholastics will tour the University of Delaware in Newark, DE.
- **10/26/2023.** Team Scholastics will tour West Chester University in West Chester, PA.
- **10/27/2023.** Team Scholastics will visit Widener University in Chester, PA.
- **11/2/2023.** Team Scholastics will tour Richard Stockton University in Galloway, NJ.
- **12/9/2023.** The Model UN Club will attend the Tech Model UN Conference at Camden County Technical High School in Sicklerville, NJ.
- **2/3/2024.** The Model UN Club will attend the Moorestown Model UN Conference at the Moorestown High School in Moorestown, NJ.
- **2/24/2024.** The Model UN Club will attend the Clearview Model UN Conference at Clearview High School in Mullica Hill, NJ.
- **3/23/2024.** The Model UN Club will attend the Haddonfield Model UN Conference at the Haddonfield Memorial High School bin Haddonfield, NJ.
- **4/20/2024.** 8th Grade Jazz Ensemble will participate in the NJAJE Jazz Festival/MS State Performance at Princeton High School Performing Arts Center.
- **5/18/2024.** The Model UN Club will attend the Cherry Hill East Model UN Conference at the Cherry Hill East High School in Cherry Hill, NJ.
- **5/31/2024.** The Class of 2024 will hold their Senior Prom at DoubleTree by Hilton in Cherry Hill, NJ.
- **6/7/2024.** 8th Grade Band Concert will attend Music in the Parks Festival at Six Flags Great Adventure in Jackson, NJ.

FUNDRAISERS

- **9/18/2023 – 9/29/2023.** The HS Class of 2024 will sell homecoming t-shirts to raise funds for their Prom Venue costs.
- **10/11/2023.** The MS Renaissance Program will hold the Kingsway Idol Vocal Competition to raise funds for Renaissance cardholder incentives.
- **10/13/2023.** The MS #1DragonFamily will collect a \$1 donation to wear PJs to school to raise funds to donate to the Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia.
- **10/23/2023 – 11/2/2023.** The MS Business Club will host a Dodgeball Tournament to raise funds for donation to the Ronald McDonald House.
- **10/23/2023 – 11/3/2023.** The HS FCA Club will collect gifts and supplies to donate to Operation Christmas Child.
- **10/30/2023 – 11/13/2023.** The HS Boys’ and Girls’ Swimming & Diving Team will sell Thanksgiving Pies to raise funds for senior shirts, gifts, flowers, fatheads and banquet food.

OUT-OF-DISTRICT PLACEMENT

- Various placements were approved

• **EMERGENCY DRILLS/CALLS**

School/ Date	Start Time	End Time	Drill
HS 08/18/2023	10:02 am	10:14 am	Fire System Drill
HS 08/28/2023	12:11 pm	12:13 pm	Lockdown Drill
MS 08/15/2023	9:30 am	12:30 pm	Fire Drill Test
MS 08/18/2023	10:00 am	2:00 pm	SRP Drills
MS/HS 08/30/2023	9:00 am	10:30 am	Annual MOA Meeting

POLICY

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

- None

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

Policy/Regulation Number:	Title:
Policy #0144	Board Member Orientation and Training
Policy #2520	Instructional Supplies

Policy #3217	Use of Corporal Punishment
Policy #4217	Use of Corporal Punishment
Policy #5305	Health Services Personnel
Policy and Regulation #5308	Student Health Records
Policy and Regulation #5310	Health Services
Policy #6112	Reimbursement of Federal and Other Grant Expenditures
Policy #6115.01	Federal Awards Funds Internal Control
Policy #6115.04	Federal Awards-Duplication of Benefits
Policy #6311	Contracts for Goods or Services Funded by Federal Grants
Policy #7440	School District Security
Policy #9140	Citizens Advisory Committee
Regulation #2520	Instructional Supplies

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

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

- **10/14/2023 & 10/15/2023.** Karen Schonewise will attend the 56th Annual Easter States Swim Clinic in King of Prussia, PA.
- **10/23/2023 – 10/26/2023.** The Board of Education members, Patrick Daley, Lauren Boerlin, Kelly Bonapfel, James Lavender, Jason Schimpf, Patricia Calandro and Emily Virga, will attend the NJSBA Workshop in Atlantic City, NJ.
- **9/16/2023, 10/17/2023, 11/14/2023 and 12/12/2023.** Laura Beck, Greg Smith and Christina Gray will attend the virtual Advanced Placement Mentoring Session.
- **9/15/2023, 11/20/2023, 1/19/2024, 3/18/2024, and 5/17/2024.** Fallon Corcoran will attend the ASAP NJ Association: Southern Region Meeting in Sicklerville, NJ.
- **10/13/2023.** Stephanie Marich will attend the NJ Family Leave and Federal Family & Medical Leave Program in Toms River, NJ.
- **10/6/2023.** Trevor Lacy will attend the Hillyard Open House Vendor Fair in Warminster, PA.
- **9/20/2023 – 9/21/2023.** Sarah Reynolds will attend the NEA Lobby Day (ESSA Focus) in Washington, DC.

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING WORKSHOPS

The Board approved the following workshops:

- None

RESEARCH PROJECTS

The Board approved the following Research Projects

- None

PROGRAMS

The Board approved the following Programs:

- None

AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

The Board approved the following awards and scholarships:

- None

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 August 31, 2023.
- **FURever As Friends Agreement.** The Board approved an agreement with FURever As Friends, Inc., for pet therapy services for the 2023-24 School Year.
- **Joint Transportation Agreement with Gateway Regional** The Board approved Joint Transportation Agreements with Gateway Regional High School for the 2023-20243 school year.

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, October 19, 2023, in person in the High School East Cafeteria; or by [Zoom Conference](#) and begins at 6:30 p.m.

KINGSWAY IS HIRING

GROWTH. BELONGING. TEAMWORK. STUDENT-CENTERED. PERSEVERANCE

Kingsway Regional School District is Hiring!



Full Time:

- Custodian
- Maintenance - HVAC
- HS Paraprofessional
- Summer Technology Student Workers
- Bus Drivers
- ESL Teacher
- World Language Teacher
- HS Registered Behavior Technician
- HS Teacher of Biology
- Teacher of Special Education

Long-Term Substitutes:

- HS Business Teacher

Apply online at KRSD.org/employment or simply send your resume to HR@KRSD.US.

APPLY NOW

Aspiring Teachers

KRSD is participating in a new program to simplify the certification process. To see if you qualify and to learn more, email HR@KRSD.US.

www.krdsd.org



21st Annual HOLIDAY CRAFT SHOW

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4th
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.

Galleries can be viewed at www.krdsd.org/CRAFTSHOW or on our Facebook Event page at: www.krdsd.org/VirtualGallery

For more information, please contact Susan Vance at vances@krdsd.us; or call (856) 467-3300 x4205

Indoor Vendor Spaces Are Full
Volunteer Link will open SOON!