

April Board Brief



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Board Brief

The following information is intended to inform staff and community members of recent action taken by the Board. The information included in this brief is not intended to be complete and does not replace official Board minutes.

Highlights from the Kingsway Regional School District Board of Education work session held on April 21st and the regular meeting held on April 28th.

ENROLLMENT as of March 31, 2016

High School	1690
Middle School	882
TOTAL	2,572

PRESENTATIONS

- Public Hearing on 2016-2017, Mr. Schimpf

STAFF RECOGNITION

- Nancy McCloskey, Guidance – Spotlight Faculty

The April Board meeting served as a High School Recognition Program. We recognized Spotlight Students and Seniors of the Month.

The High School S.U.R.E. club reported on the clubs activities.

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.

High School Spotlight Students		
	February	March
9 th	Trevor Bobst	Meghan Labbree
10 th	Madison Brzozowski	Stephen Macke
11 th	Antonio Saporito	Daniel O'Neill
12 th	Gabriella Dooley	Hailey Laskowski

Seniors of the Month	
February	March
Gianna Emmett	Michael Massaro
Anna Kjellson	Simran Shinh

High School Select Jazz Band
2016 Woody Herman Jazz Band Champions

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

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

- NSBA Conference
- Baseball & Softball Fields
- 2016 – 2017 District Budget

ATTENDANCE SUMMARY

2015-2016 Monthly Average % of Students in Attendance for March:

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Grade Level	March %	2015-2016 YTD Avg %	Past 6 Year Avg %
7	94.4	95.9	94.3
8	93.7	95.3	93.6
Total MS Average	94.1	95.6	93.9
9	94.5	94.9	93.3
10	94.1	94.3	92.0
11	94.2	93.5	92.4
12	91.5	92.4	91.1
Total HS Average	93.5	93.6	92.7
District Average	93.8	92.5	93.6

PERSONNEL

District Employment

- Resignation: Kevin Shipman (Maintenance/Groundskeeper)
- Retirement: Thomas Pili (Custodian)
- Non-Certified Staff:
 - Kim Fulton (Bus Driver)
 - Tina Newlin (Bus Driver)
 - Angelo DiJoseph (Maintenance/Grounds Keeper)
- Substitutes: Lori Messina (School Nurse)

High School Employment

- Resignation:
 - Andrea Kornbluh (LTS Science Teacher)
 - Nicole Soderholm Auge (Science Teacher)
- Retirement: Joanne Neilio (Secretary)
- Certified Staff: Farid Syed (Health and Physical Education Teacher)
- Schedule "B": Various positions were approved.

- Practicum / Student Teachers:
 - Kristen Mandicz (Chrissy Ludlam and Rob Baerman– Athletic Training – 08/2016 to 11/2016)
 - Sara Balliet (Wendy Young, Thomas Stelling, Lauren Smith, Dean Ilconich – 05/16/16 – 06/30/16)
- Long Term Substitute(s): Anne Noble-Vetter (LTS Biology Teacher – 04/29/16 to 06/30/16)

Middle School Employment

- Schedule "B": Various positions were approved.
- Leaves of Absence:
 - Thomas Pili (Custodian)
 - Madalyn Marlin (English Teacher)
- Long Term Substitute(s): Jeff Herrman (History – 05/04/2016 to 06/30/2016)

FUNDRAISERS

- **04/30/16 – 05/07/16 - Gold Laces for Pediatric Cancer.** The Baseball team will be selling gold shoe laces to raise funds to support Pediatric Cancer.
- **05/01/16 – 06/15/16 - Plant Sale.** The Environmental Club will be selling plants to continue the school beautification project.
- **05/21/16 – Packaging Food/ Meals.** The FCA will be packaging food and meals for the Stop Hunger Now Group.
- **05/26/16 – Dress Down Day.** The Key Club will be raising funds to support the troops by having a dress down day.
- **05/26/16 –Yogo Factory.** The Key Club will be raising funds for a charitable group that has yet to be determined by working with the Yogo Factory to keep a percentage of the sales made on that day.
- **05/26/16 –Kingsway Football Social.** The football program will be raising funds for

the program by having a Kingsway Football Social at Botto's Italian Line.

- **06/27/16 – 07/29/16 –Bench Press Fundraiser.** The football program will be raising funds to support the football program by having a bench press contest.
- **08/12/16 – 09/10/16 – Discount Card Fundraiser.** The football program will be raising funds to support the program by selling discount cards.

FIELD TRIPS

- **04/29/16** – The Student Council will spend time mentoring early childhood students in the Head Start program.
- **05/02/16** – The Mock Trial students will attend the Gloucester County Bar Foundation Law Day Luncheon at Auletto's Deptford, NJ.
- **05/05/16** – The Economic students will travel to Wellshire Farms to give them access to a successful company to discuss careers and economics.
- **05/14/16 Rain Date 05/21/16** – The Environmental Club, Middle School Environmental Club and WWF will be going to Oldmans Creek Preserve in Auburn, NJ to teach the students about the South Jersey's native species and the eco systems.
- **05/25/16** – The EEL Classes will be going to the Franklin Institute to have an educational experience.
- **06/01/16** – The Middle School Student Council will be going to Six Flags Great Adventure for the State Student Council Spring Awards Program.
- **06/10/16** – The Special Olympics Project Unify students will be going to The College of New Jersey to discuss school unification and to get ideas for unifying Kingsway next year.

- **07/20/16** – The Extended School Year team will be going to Wood Lanes in Woodstown, NJ to learn math and life skills.
- **07/28/16** – The Extended School Year team will be going to Denny's in Carney's Point, NJ to learn math and life skills.
- **08/03/16** – The Extended School Year team will be going to Acme Markets in Logan, NJ to learn math and life skills.

RESEARCH PROJECTS

- 12-15 Middle School teachers will participate in a dissertation research project for final requirements of Ed. D. in Educational Leadership from May 2016 through June 2016.

EMERGENCY DRILLS/CALLS

School/ Date	Time	Drill/Call
HS 03/04/2016	Start: 09:37 AM End: 09:44 AM	Precautionary Lockdown
HS 03/08/2016	Start: 08:26 AM End: 08:32 AM	Precautionary Lockdown
HS 03/30/2016	Start: 01:25 PM End: 01:32 PM	Fire Drill
HS 03/31/2016	Start: 09:46 AM End: 10:21 AM	Precautionary Lockdown
HS 03/31/2016	Start: 11:44 AM End: 11:47 AM	Precautionary Lockdown Scheduled K9 Dog Sweep
MS 03/10/2016	Start: 01:40 PM End: 01:52 PM	Full Lockdown
MS 03/30/2016	Start: 08:50 AM End: 08:54 AM	Fire Drill
MS 03/31/2016	Start: 09:38 AM End: 09:57 AM	Precautionary Lockdown Scheduled K9 Dog Sweep

POLICY

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

- Policy 2436 – Athletic Registration Fees.
- Policy 5200 - Attendance
- Regulation 5200 - Attendance (with edits)

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

- Policy 1110 - Organization Chart
- Policy 2363 – Pupil Use of Privately-Owned Technology
- Policy 2361 – Acceptable Use of Computer Network/Computers and resources

BUSINESS, FACILITIES & FINANCE

- The Board approved the Board Secretary's Report and Bill List for March 2016
- **Receipt and Acceptance of Student Activity and Athletic Account Financial Reports.** The Board accepted as filed the Middle School, High School and Athletic financial report for the period ending 03/31/2016.
- **Addendum to the Memorandum of Agreement Regarding Seventh Period Stipend.** The Board approved for the period of April 14, 2016 through June 30, 2016, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, the Board President and Secretary be authorized to execute a copy of the addendum, and that a copy of such addendum be part of the minutes on file in the Board Secretary's office.
- **KEA & BOE Collective Bargaining Agreement.** The Board approved the [collective bargaining agreement](#) with salary guides for the period of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2018 and a copy of such agreement be part of the minutes on file in the Board Secretary's office.
- **Job Descriptions.** The Board approved [job descriptions](#) as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.
- **2016-2017 Safety Grant.** The Board approved the submission of the grant application for the 2016 Safety Grant Program through the New Jersey Schools Insurance Group's ERIC SOUTH subfund to provide partial funding for the District's Schools Resource Officer in the amount of \$4,452.48 for the period of July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017.
- **Cooperative Transportation Services.** The Board approved the participation in Cooperative Transportation Services with the GCSSSD for the 2016-2017 school year.
- **Shared Services Agreements Clearview Regional School.** The Board approved the Shared Services Agreements with the Clearview Regional School for the following services:
 - **Technology Management Services** – July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017- \$51,218
 - **Vehicle Maintenance Services** - July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017 - \$55.50 per hour
- **Interlocal Agreement with Camden County Educational Services Commission.** The Board approved the shared services agreement with the Camden County Educational services commission for the Website Hosting Services for the period of April 28, 2016 to April 30, 2019 at the cost of \$5,750.00 each year.
- **Interlocal Agreement with the Township of Harrison.** The Board approved the Shared Services Agreement with the Township of Harrison for the Information Technology Services for the period of January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017 at a cost of \$35,350.00
- **Shared Services Agreements with South Harrison School District.** The Board approved the Shared Services Agreements

with the South Harrison Township School District for the following services:

- **Facility Maintenance Services** – July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017 - \$60,000.00
- **Information Technology Services** – July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017 - \$35,000.00
- **Curriculum Services** – July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017 - \$60,000.00
- **Child Study Team Supervisory Services** – July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017 - \$16,000.00
- **Business Administration Services** – July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017 - \$58,183.00
- **Transportation Jointure-Delsea Regional.** The Board approved the transportation jointure with the Delsea Regional School District for the 2015-2016 school year at a cost of \$2,254.00 annually.
- **2016-2017 Logan Township School District Tuition.** The Board approved the tuition contract with the Logan Township School District for the 2016 – 2017 school year.
- **2016 – 2017 Budget.** The Board authorized the submission of the 2016-2017 budget to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools.
- **State Commodities Hauling.** The Board approved Paul’s Commodity Hauling, Inc. as its official commodity transport for the 2016 – 2017 school year.
- **School Health Insurance Fund.** The Board approved the joining with the State of New Jersey to form the Schools Health Insurance Fund hereafter referred to as “SHIF”.
- **Out of District and Twilight Placement(s).** The Board approved the Out of District and/or Twilight Placements for Bankbridge North in the amount of \$7,980.00 for 04/18/16 – 06/30/16.

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 work session meeting is scheduled for **Thursday, May 19, 2016**. The meeting is scheduled in the Board Conference Room and will begin at 7:00 p.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board is **Thursday, May 26, 2016** in the Cafeteria East and begins at 7:00 p.m.