

March 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 March 17th and the regular meeting held on March 31st.

ENROLLMENT as of February 29, 2016

High School	1694
Middle School	883
TOTAL	2,577

PRESENTATIONS

- None

STAFF RECOGNITION

- Jane Dalton, Music – Spotlight Teacher

The March Board meeting served as a Middle School Recognition Program. We recognized Spotlight Students.

The Middle School Student Council Report was delivered by student Colin McGravey and Tara Maccarone

STUDENT RECOGNITION

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

Middle School Spotlight Students		
	January	February
D	Isabella Kuminka	Julia Nocentino
R	Kittana Tran	Allison Bruce
A	Divum Raval Riley Richards	Kallasandra Poole
G	Stephen Bleistine	Rabiya Haque
O	Patrice Martin	Jason Grandizio
N	James Burns	Colleen Burns Jacob Martin

1st SEMESTER SPOTLIGHT STUDENT

- R Team – Ruben Aisa

Athletes will receive a t-shirt displaying Athlete of the Month on the back. These awards are made courtesy of the Kingsway Education Foundation.

Middle School Athletes of the Month		
Team	January	February
Girl's Basketball	Olivia LaRubbio	Michiya Davis
Boy's Basketball	Alex Odom	Ryan Roney

February High School Athletes of the Month	
Boy's Basketball	Timar Brown
Girl's Basketball	Zoe Hahn
Bowling	Katie Robb
Boy's Swimming	Nathan Jess
Girl's Swimming	Sydney Jaramillo
Cheerleading	Faheem Davis & Nahj Ward
Boy's Winter Track	Chase Matthews
Girl's Winter Track	Destiny Stanford
Wrestling	Trace Kinner

WINTER ATHLETIC RECOGNITION

- Girl's Basketball – Tri County Royal Division Champions

- Zoe Hahn – Girl’s Basketball 1,000 points scored
- Trent Tutko – Wrestling District 31 Champion
- Trace Kinner – Wrestling 100 wins, District 31 Champion, 2nd place Region 8
- Quinn Kinner – Wrestling District 31 Champion, Regional 8 Champion, 3rd in State
- Sam Shinn – South Jersey Group IV Shot Put Champion
- Chase Matthews – South Jersey Group IV High Jump Champion
- Ryan Evernham – South Jersey Group IV Pole Vault Champion
- Ryan Evernham and Jacob Metheny – Group IV State Relay Pole Vault Champions
- Dominic Salerno – SJHSHL Ice Hockey Player of the Year
- Coach Chris Francis – SJHSHL Ice Hockey Coach of the Year

7	94.1	96.6	94.3
8	94.2	95.9	93.6
Total MS Average	94.2	96.2	93.9
9	92.5	95.4	93.3
10	93.0	94.6	92.0
11	91.9	93.7	92.4
12	90.7	92.9	91.1
Total HS Average	92.0	94.0	92.7
District Average	93.1	95.7	93.6

CORRESPONDENCE

None

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

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

- Academic results – Semester One
- CER Summer Camp 2016
- 2016-17 Tentative Budget
- Athletic Registration Fee Policy
- 2015-16 Revised School Calendar

ATTENDANCE SUMMARY

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

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Grade Level	Feb %	2015-2016 YTD Avg %	Past 6 Year Avg %

PERSONNEL

District Employment

- Resignation:
 - Rickey Cottrell (Bus Driver)
 - Danielle Long (Bus Driver)
- Schedule “B”: Various positions were approved.
- Non-Certified Staff: Heather DiTullio (General Cafeteria Worker)
- Substitute Teacher:
 - Madison Hall (As Needed)
 - Natasha Melendez (As Needed)
 - Carla Dudley (As Needed)
 - Stephanie Wood (As Needed)
 - Michelle Marino (As Needed)

High School Employment

- Retirement: Patsy Lafferty (Business/Bookkeeping Teacher)
- Resignation: Michael Shehan (Custodian)
- Schedule “B”: Various positions were approved.
- Long Term Substitute(s):
 - Pamela Pollock (04/01/2016 Pending Final Certification)
 - Jacqueline Keane (04/11/2016 to 06/30/2016)

- Leave of Absence: Linda Hedenberg (World Language Teacher, 05/31/16 to 09/01/2016)

Middle School Employment

- Schedule "B": Various positions were approved.
- Leave of Absence: Frank Hines, Sr. (Custodian, 03/28/16 to 06/07/2016)

Fundraiser(s):

- **03/30/16 – 04/01/16 Student Council.** The Student Council will be selling Mr. Kingsway tickets. The funds will support the club with activities, events and the NJASC State Charity.
- **04/15/16 – 05/15/16 Interact Club.** The Interact Club will be collecting items to donate to "Your Place at the Table Food Bank – Toni Werner".
- **04/25/16 Dragons Helping Dragons.** The Dragons Helping Dragons will be selling homemade cupcakes during lunch. The funds will support the club.
- **5/20/16 Student Council.** The Student Council will be selling tickets and concessions at the Powder Puff Game. The funds will support the club with activities, events and the NJASC State Charity.
- **06/11/16 Kingsway Goal Club.** The Kingsway Goal Club will be selling Flapjack Breakfasts at Applebee's. The funds will support senior gifts, game pins and summer trainers.

Field Trip(s):

- **03/26/16** – The Habitat for Humanity Campus Chapter will participate in an official Gloucester County Habitat for Humanity build site.
- **04/21/16** – The Special Olympics Project Unify will be going to Wood Lanes to unify the special education population with their peers.

- **04/07/16** – The STAFF students will be traveling to the Philabundance Warehouse to sort and pack meat and other groceries for families in need in the tristate area.
- **04/08/16** – The Multiple Disabled Classroom will be going to Tokyo Buffet to see how a restaurant works and to learn how to order, tip and pay.
- **04/15/16** – The Mentoring Program will be going to University Lanes Bowling Alley to interact with the mentors and with each other in a laid-back but constructive environment
- **04/15/16 – 04/17/16** – The Student Council will be going to the 2016 NASC Region 2 Conference in Manchester MD.
- **04/21/16** – The World Wildlife Fund and Environmental Club will be going to the wetlands institute to interact with animals that are endangered.
- **04/30/16** – The Habitat for Humanity Campus Chapter will participate in an official Gloucester County Habitat for Humanity build site.
- **05/14/16** – The Drama Club, Public Speaking and Debate Class will be competing in the NJ Dramatic and Forensic League at the Eastern HS Drama and Speech Categories.
- **05/14/16** – The Select Jazz Ensemble will be performing at the outdoor and living show.
- **06/03/16** – The National Art Honor Society will be going to the Philadelphia Museum of Art and Magic Gardens to tour the famous art work on display.
- **06/11/16** – The Student Council will be going to the NJASC mandatory TLC Training at Holy Cross HS

- **06/17/16** – The Senior Class of 2016 will be going on the Annual Senior Picnic.
- **06/22/16 – 06/28/16** – The Student Council will be going to the 2016 NASC National Conference in Portland, OR
- **09/19/16** – The Student Council will be going to the NJASC Exec Board meeting at the Pemberton HS
- **11/14/16** – The Student Council will be going to the NJASC Exec Board Meeting at the Pemberton HS
- **12/12/16** – The Student Council will be going to the NJASC Executive Board meeting at the Hamilton West HS.
- **02/06/17** – The Student Council will be going to the NJASC Executive Board meeting at the Mercer Count Technical HS

Research Project(s):

- 320 Middle School students will participate in a student-teacher relationship and performance survey to inform PD/Curriculum strategies.

EMERGENCY DRILLS/CALLS

School/ Date	Time	Drill
HS 02/02/2016	Start: 09:10 AM End: 09:16 AM	Fire Drill
HS 02/19/2016	Start: 12:06 PM End: 12:29 PM	Fire Drill
HS 02/25/2016	Start: 03:23 PM End: 03:30 PM	Fire Drill
HS 02/26/2016	Start: 09:03 AM End: 09:10 AM	Precautionary Lockdown
MS 02/19/2016	Start: 01:14 PM End: 01:22 PM	Precautionary Lockdown
MS 02/22/2016	Start: 01:45 PM End: 01:54 PM	Fire Drill

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING WORKSHOPS

The Board approved the following Professional Learning Workshops; please contact Stefanie Fox-Manno for more information:

- **A Series of PLWs to Promote Positive and Effective Co-Teaching Relationships** - will be presented by Alaeida DeColli and Sumana Stephenson on April 6th, May 4th and May 25th

PROGRAMS

The Board approved the following programs:

- None

POLICY

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

- Policy 2436 – Athletic Registration Fees.
- Policy 5200 - Attendance
- Regulation 5200 - Attendance

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 accepts as filed the Middle School, High School and Athletic financial report for the period ending 02/29/2016.
- **Receiving Tuition.** The Board approved the following tuition contract agreements on a receiving basis:
 - Sending District: Penns Grove School District
Duration: 11/22/15 to 06/30/16
Annual Tuition Rate: \$7,747.82
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Duration: 11/22/15 to 06/30/16
Annual Tuition Rate: \$7,747.82

- **Transportation Jointure with Logan.** The Board approved a transportation jointure for the 2015 – 2016 School Year with Logan Township School District on as needed basis for a special needs student at a cost of \$110.41 per day.
- **2015 Participation ESEA Action Plan.** The Board approved the 2015 Participation ESEA Action Plan.
- **Out of District and Twilight Placement(s).** The Board approved the Out of District and/or Twilight Placements for Hampton Academy in the amount of \$16,143.56 for the duration of 03/14/16 – 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, April 21, 2016**. The meeting is scheduled in the Board Conference Room and will begin at 7:00 p.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting for the Board is **Thursday, April 28, 2016** in the Cafeteria East and begins at 7:00 p.m.