

September 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 September 17th and the regular meeting held on September 24th.

ENROLLMENT as of September 9, 2015

High School	1,701
Middle School	879
TOTAL	2,580

PRESENTATIONS

- New Staff Introductions
- Employee of the Year – Patty White
- Spotlight Teacher – Michelle DeLaurentis, HS English
- Back to School Update – Craig Stephenson and Brian Tonelli
- Technology Update – Robert Iocona

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)...

- Start of School
- New Staff Introductions
- Board Retreat/Goals
- Fundraiser Policy

PERSONNEL

District Employment

- Substitute(s):
 - Donald Spadel (Bus Driver)
 - Marion Brodie (Cafeteria Worker)
 - Cassidy Moellers (Teacher)
 - Cheryl Skrajewski (Secretary)
- Retirement(s):
 - Ronald McKinney (Bus Driver)
- Resignation(s):
 - Nicholas Mariano (Network Technician)

High School Employment

- Certificated Staff:
 - Nicholas Martino (Teacher of Mathematics)
- Custodian(s):
 - Gerald Smith
- Schedule "B": Various positions were approved.
- Resignation(s):
 - Margaret Reed (Physical Education Teacher)
- Student Teacher(s):
 - Erin Zambon (Honors Biology with Reena Ninan, Fall 2015)
- Fundraiser(s):
 - **9/25/15 – 10/3/15 JDRF Fundraiser.**
The field hockey team will be selling t-

- shirts; all proceeds will benefit the JDRF, which supports juvenile diabetes research.
- **9/28/15 – 10/2/15 Homecoming Tickets.** Student Council will be selling homecoming tickets to fund the homecoming event, as well as other charities and events throughout the year.
- **10/1/15 – 11/30/15 Habitat for Humanity Donation Collection.** The Habitat for Humanity club will be setting up a table during home football games to collect money, which will be donated to Gloucester County Habitat for Humanity.
- **10/13/15 – 10/16/15 Penny Wars.** Student Council is organizing a penny wars event; proceeds will benefit Hope Loves Company, a non-profit organization that supports the children and grandchildren of patients with ALS.
- **10/15/15 – 10/30/15 Paper Volleyballs.** The Girls volleyball team is selling paper volleyballs. All proceeds will benefit the Susan G. Komen foundation.
- **11/7/15 Art Sale.** The art club will be selling their art. Proceeds will be used to make a donation to the charity Water.

Middle School Employment

- Long-term Substitute(s):
 - Tara Reinerth (SPED)
- Schedule “B”: Various positions were approved.
- Resignation(s):
 - Bernice Valle (Cook)
 - Stephanie Johnston (Paraprofessional)
- Fundraiser(s):

- **10/12/15 – 10/16/15 Spirit Braids.** The MS Student Council will be making and selling spirit braids in the KRSD school colors. Proceeds will help pay for busses that are needed for a field trip.
- **11/9/15 – 11/19/15 Canned Goods Drive.** The MS Student Council will be collecting canned goods. Food baskets will be given to community members in need.
- **3/3/16 Basketball Tournament.** The MS Student Council will be hosting a basketball tournament; proceeds will help to pay for a MS field trip.
- **4/4/16 – 4/15/16 Flying Pigs Sale.** The MS Student Council will be having a flying pigs sale. Proceeds will go towards the Julie Riggi Scholarship Fund.
- **10/15/15 – 10/30/15 – Girls Volleyball** will sell paper volleyballs. A donation will be made to the Susan G. Komen Foundation.

EMERGENCY DRILLS/CALLS

School/Date	Time	Drill
HS 08/14/15	Start: 7:11 a.m. End: 7:15 a.m.	Precautionary Lockdown
MS 08/26/15	Start: 2:38 p.m. End: 2:47 p.m.	Fire Drill training for new middle school assistant principal and also testing of strobe lights for new open areas in the middle school.
HS & MS 08/28/15	Start: 10:00 a.m. End: 11:00 a.m.	MOA meeting with regional police to discuss and cover the safety and security procedures for the

School/ Date	Time	Drill
		district for the upcoming school year.

FIELD TRIPS

- **9/11/15** – The HS Marching Band’s horn line will be participating in a 9/11 ceremony at the Woolwich Twp. Municipal Building.
- **10/7/15** – The HS Video Game Design 2 club is going to Rowan University for the Advanced Programming Skills Using Unity 3D.
- **10/13/15** – The HS Student Council will be going to the College of New Jersey for the 2015 NJ Association of Student Councils Fall Convention.
- **10/22/15** – The Anti-Bullying club is going to the Charles G. Harker School to reach out to younger students and work to prevent bullying.
- **10/23/15** – 8-12 female students will be going to the ExxonMobil Paulsboro Technical Center to participate in the ExxonMobil STEM High School Outreach Program Proposal for Female Students.
- **11/19/15 – 11/22/15** – The HS Public Speaking and Debate Class are going to Washington DC for Model Congress to compete with other schools from around the country.
- **12/11/15** - The HS Public Speaking and Debate Class are going to the State House Annex in Trenton, NJ for Model Congress to compete with other schools from around the country (Party day).
- **1/9/16** – The Drama Club and the Public Speaking and Debate class are going to Absegami High School in Galloway, NJ to compete in NJ Dramatic and Forensic League at Eastern HS Drama and Speech categories.
- **1/16/16** – The Drama Club and the Public Speaking and Debate class are going to Northern Burlington HS in Columbus, NJ to compete in NJ Dramatic and Forensic

League at Eastern HS Drama and Speech categories.

- **1/26/16** – The Drama Club and the Public Speaking and Debate class are going to Dumont HS in Dumont, NJ to compete in NJ Dramatic and Forensic League at Eastern HS Drama and Speech categories.
- **2/6/16** – The Drama Club and the Public Speaking and Debate class are going to Eastern HS in Voorhees, NJ to compete in NJ Dramatic and Forensic League at Eastern HS Drama and Speech categories.
- **2/26/16** - The HS Public Speaking and Debate Class are going to the State House Annex in Trenton, NJ for Model Congress to compete with other schools from around the country (Leadership day).
- **2/27/16** – The Drama Club and the Public Speaking and Debate class are going to Raritan HS in Hazlet, NJ to compete in NJ Dramatic and Forensic League at Eastern HS Drama and Speech categories. (2/28/16 rain date)
- **3/17/16 – 3/18/16** – The HS Public Speaking and Debate Class are going to Rider University in Lawrence Twp., NJ for Model Congress to compete with other schools from around the country.
- **10/13/15** – The HS Student Council is going to the College of NJ for the 2015 NJ Association of Student Councils Fall Convention.

PROGRAMS

The Board approved the following programs:

- 2015 -2016 KRSD HIB Self-Assessment & Statement of Assurance

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING WORKSHOPS

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

- **Open Lab for SGOs** will be presented by Emily Virga on 10/08/15

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- **Interactive Notebooks: They're Not Just for Elementary School** will be presented by Connie Erikson on 10/21/15
- **It's All Fun and Review Games: Parts 1 and 2** will be presented by Connie Erikson on 10/28/15

POLICY

- **First Reading for Revision and/or Adoption:**
(None)
- **Second Reading and Adoption:**

Policy/ Reg #	Policy/Regulation Name
R5600	Student Discipline/Code of Conduct

BUSINESS, FACILITIES & FINANCE

- The Board approved the Board Secretary's Report, Treasurer's Report, Bill List, High School Student Activities and Athletic Reports, Middle School Activities Report and Cafeteria Report for August 2015.
- **Facility Use Fee Waiver:** (None)
- **GCIT Tuition Contracts.** The Board approved the tuition contract for Law Enforcement and Career-Technical Programs with Gloucester County Vocational-Technical School District for the 2015-2016 school year at an annual cost of \$2,205.00 per student.
- **2015-2016 KRBOE and KEA Memorandum of Agreement.** The Board approved the MOA and salary guide schedules with the Kingsway Regional Education Association.
- **2015-2016 KRBOE and KPSA Memorandum of Agreement.** The Board approved the MOA and salary guide schedules with the Kingsway Principals & Supervisors' Association.
- **2015-2019 Mid Atlantic Dairy Association Memorandum of Agreement.** The Board

approved the MOA with the Mid-Atlantic Dairy Association beginning August 1, 2015 and terminating August 1, 2019.

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 meeting of the Board is the work session meeting scheduled for **Thursday, October 15, 2015**, in the Board Conference Room and begins at 7:00 p.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board is **Thursday, October 22, 2015** in the Cafeteria East and begins at 7:00 p.m.