

August 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 August 20th and the regular meeting held on August 27th.

ENROLLMENT as of June 30, 2015

High School	1,664
Middle School	870
TOTAL	2,534

Moment of Silence

The Board paid tribute to Kingsway graduate John DiGiovacchino.

PRESENTATIONS

- Jay Sciuillo – Marathon Engineering

CORRESPONDENCE

- Sweeney East Greenwich Funding Reply
- Eagle Scout Project

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

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

- Administrative Retreat
- Administrator/District Goals
- Board Retreat/Goal Setting
- School Funding
- Opening Week
- KEA Grievance
- Arbitration/Former Employee
- Shared Services Update

ATTENDANCE SUMMARY

2014-2015 Monthly Average % of Students in Attendance for June:

2014 - 2015 Monthly Average % of Students in Attendance			
Grade Level	June 2015 %	2014-2015 Current YTD Average %	Past 5-Year Average %
7	96.1	96.1	94.4
8	95.1	95.4	94.2
MS Average	95.6	95.7	94.3
9	94.9	95.4	94.0
10	94.5	94.9	92.8
11	92.1	92.7	92.3
12	91.7	92.1	90.9
HS Average	93.3	93.8	92.5
District Average	94.5	94.7	93.4

PERSONNEL

District Employment

- Administration:
 - Dr. Lavender (Superintendent), renewal of contract (7/1/15-6/30/20)
- Certificated Staff: (None)

- Non-Certificated Staff:
 - Nellie Martinez (Bus Driver)
 - Trell Gonzalez (Bus Driver)
 - Trevor Lacy (Maintenance Night Supervisor)
 - Leave of Absence: (None)
 - Substitute(s):
 - Angelique Pizzuto (Nurse)
 - Heather DiTullio (Food Service)
 - Nick Iannacone (Bus Driver)
 - Mike Baker (Custodian)
 - Pam Rouse (Custodian)
 - Mark Brucker (Custodian)
 - Homebound Instructor: (None)
 - Retirement(s): (None)
 - Resignation(s): (None)
 - Workshop Presenter: (None)
- High School Employment**
- Administration: (None)
 - Certificated Staff:
 - Kathryn Harmon (SPED)
 - Stephanie Taraschi (Health & PE)
 - Non-Certificated Staff: (None)
 - Paraprofessional(s): (None)
 - Long-term Substitute(s):
 - Elizabeth Fago (English)
 - Corey Romeyn (English)
 - Data/Tech Mentors: (None)
 - Secretarial/Clerical: (None)
 - Food Service: (None)
 - Claudia Millar
 - Custodian(s):
 - Michael Shehan
- Schedule "B": Various positions were approved.
 - Athletic Study Hall Monitors: Various positions were approved.
 - Leave of Absence:
 - Wendy Lynch, Math Teacher (maternity leave 10/30/15 – 4/11/16)
 - Lauren Forbes, Math Teacher (maternity leave 11/1/15 – 3/1/16)
 - Rebecca Cochran, Science Teacher (maternity leave 11/20/15 – 2/15/16)
 - Joannellen Fenimore, School Psychologist (11/16/15 – 3/11/16)
 - Resignation(s):
 - Mark Brucker (Custodian)
 - Kathryn Beaver (In-Program Resource Teacher)
 - Amber McCullough (LTS – English)
 - Maggie Reed-Goodman (Health & PE Teacher)
 - Michele Filippello (Paraprofessional)
 - Michael Schottler (Paraprofessional)
 - Retirement(s): (None)
 - Substitute(s): (None)
 - Student Teacher(s): (None)
 - Extended School Year: (None)
 - Twilight Teacher(s):
 - Various positions were approved.
 - Twilight Substitute(s):
 - Various positions were approved.
 - Fundraiser(s):
 - **2015-2016 School Year – KEF Corporate Sponsorships.** The KEF is selling corporate sponsorships that will be placed throughout the campus during the school year. Proceeds will benefit the KRSD.

- **8/28/15 – 10/1/15 Kingsway Goals Club/Ruffneck Scarves & Apparel.** The Kingsway Goals Club will be selling scarves to raise money for trainers, senior gifts, and equipment.
 - **8/30/15 – 11/15/15 Girls Soccer/Concession Stand.** The girls soccer program will be selling food and drinks at the concession stand to raise money for filming, training, gear and water bottles.
 - **8/30/15 – 9/15/15 Girls Soccer Heritage Hoagie Sale.** The girls soccer program will be having a hoagie sale to raise money for filming, training, gear and water bottles.
 - **8/31/15 Football Team/ T-Shirts.** The football team will be selling t-shirts on August 31st.
 - **9/8/15 – 9/18/15 Fall Cheerleading/Digital Savings Membership Phone App.** The cheerleading team is utilizing the app to raise money for the banquet, t-shirts, future choreography/camp.
 - **9/11/15 – 12/1/15 Senior Chris Cook, Eagle Scout project/ “Wall of Honor” plaque.** Chris will be soliciting donations during football games and SMART lunch to raise money to purchase a “Wall of Honor” plaque, which will honor KRSD graduates who served in the armed forces.
 - **9/25/15 Kingsway Goals Club/Pasta dinner.** The Kingsway Goals Club will be hosting a pasta dinner to raise money for trainers, senior gifts, and equipment.
 - **10/1/15 – 11/18/15 Kingsway Goals Club/eteamsponsor.com.** The Kingsway Goals Club is using eteamsponsor.com to raise money for trainers, senior gifts, and equipment.
 - **10/1/15 – 10/20/15 SADD/Discount Shopping Coupons.** The SADD club will be selling coupons to raise money for SADD community service projects/donations, high school student incentives and awards, and SADD supplies for projects.
 - Schedule “B” Club:
 - **World Wildlife Fund – Kingsway Chapter.** The mission is to help preserve the animal species on an international scale. Students will gain experience in entrepreneurial skills such as fundraising, advertising, and leadership that would help them in future careers in fields like animal science, environmental engineering, and environmental science.
 - **Book Club.** Students in the book club would read one book per month independently and then meet to discuss the book. Advisor Marissa Crimaldi would read the selected books along with students and participate in discussions. Students will have the opportunity to write a book review or create some other reflection as a record of their experience.
 - Schedule “B” Job Description: (None)
- Middle School Employment***
- Administration: (None)
 - Certificated Staff: (None)
 - Non-Certificated Staff:
 - Stephanie Gilbert (Food Service)
 - Paraprofessional(s):
 - Amanda Hengel
 - Jessica Immediato
 - Jennifer Ruzek-Zuccato
 - Cherry Hester
 - Stephanie Johnston

- Ashley DeLuce
- Long-term Substitute(s):
 - Benjamin Hedenberg (Social Studies)
- Data/Tech Mentors: (None)
- Secretarial/Clerical: (None)
- Food Service: (None)
- Custodian(s): (None)
- Schedule "B": Various positions were approved.
- Leave of Absence: (None)
- Resignation(s):
 - Mike Schottler (Paraprofessional)
- Retirement(s): (None)
- Student Teacher(s):
 - Zachary Baer (Tom Yourison)
 - Nicholas Buckley (Tom Yourison)
 - Aaron Crispin (Steve Ottinger)
 - Paul Esposito (Steve Ottinger)
- Extended School Year: (None)
- Fundraiser(s): (None)

EMERGENCY DRILLS/CALLS

School/ Date	Time	Drill
HS 07/21/15	Start: 7:40 a.m. End: 7:43 a.m.	Precautionary Lockdown
HS 07/31/15	Start: 6:49 a.m. End: 6:52 a.m.	Fire Drill
MS 07/27/15	Start: 1:30 p.m. End: 2:45 p.m.	Table top planning over the Middle school safety security plans and distribution of information
MS 07/30/15	Start: 2:46 p.m. End: 2:54 p.m.	Fire Drill

FIELD TRIPS

- **10/21/15** – Mock Trial will be going to the New Jersey Law Center in New Brunswick to perform the exhibition trial for the teacher coaches during their annual workshop.

PROGRAMS

The Board approved the following programs:

- 2015 – 2016 HS and MS Student Handbooks
- 2015 – 2016 KRSD Coaches Handbook
- 2015-2016 KRSD Parent and Athlete Handbook
- 2015-2016 KRSD Athletic Medical Emergency Action Plan
- 2015-2016 Course Deletions and Adjustments
- 2015-2016 HS and MS Emergency Booklets
- 2015-2016 MS Map Stage 2 Evacuation
- 2015-2016 KRSD Automated Emergency Defibrillator EAP
- 2015-2016 KRSD Transportation Personnel Manual

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING WORKSHOPS

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

- **SGOs 2.1: On the Road to Ownership** will be presented by the Curriculum Team on 9/14/15
- **Collecting Data to Tier Your Students** will be presented by Data Tech Mentors Emily Virga and Joe Kuppler on 9/17/15
- **SGOs 2.1 On the Road to Ownership** will be presented by the Curriculum team on 9/23/15
- **Google Classroom** will be presented by Jaime Lloyd on 9/30/15 (Tentative)

POLICY

- *First Reading for Revision and/or Adoption:*

Policy/ Reg #	Policy/Regulation Name
P5200	Attendance
R5600	Student Discipline/Code of Conduct

- *Second Reading and Adoption:*
(None)

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 July 2015.
- **Facility Use Fee Waiver:**
 - The Dragon Run Committee will be using the HS main lobby and room 208 for race day preparation and registration.
- **To/From Student Transportation Route Bid Award.** The Board approved the To/From transportation routes for the 2015-2016 school year.
- **Clearview Regional Shared Services Agreement.** The Board approved the shared services agreement with Clearview Regional School District for Technology Management Services beginning September 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016 at an annual cost of \$51,218.00 (pro-rated).
- **Harrison Township Shared Services Agreement.** The Board approved the shared services agreement with Clearview Regional School District for Technology Management Services beginning September 9, 2015 through December 31, 2016 at an annual cost of \$35,320.00 (pro-rated).
- **Shared Services Agreement for PT and Behaviorist Services with East Greenwich School District.** The Board approved the shared services agreement for physical therapy and behaviorist services between the KRSD BOE and the East Greenwich

School District BOE for the period of September 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016 at a fee of \$80 per hour and \$75 per hour respectively.

- **Swedesboro-Woolwich Day Buses.** The Board approved the use of 4 buses and drivers for SW Day on September 26, 2015 at no charge to the SW Day committee.

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, September 17, 2015**, in the Board Conference Room and begins at 7:00 p.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board is **Thursday, September 24, 2015** in the Cafeteria East and begins at 7:00 p.m.