

February 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 meeting held on February 23rd.

ENROLLMENT as of January 31, 2017

High School	1770
Middle School	925
TOTAL	2,695

STAFF RECOGNITION

Spotlight Teacher

- Jon Dalton – Visual & Performing Arts – Music

The February Board meeting served as a Middle School and High School Recognition Program. We recognized Middle School Spotlight Students, High School Spotlight Students, High School Athletes and Seniors of the Month. To view student pictures, [click here](#).

Student Recognition

Spotlight Students, Athletes and Seniors of the Month each received a \$25.00 gift certificate to

Martell's. These awards are made courtesy of the Kingsway Education Foundation.

Middle School Spotlight Students

D	Ava Passehl
R	Joseph Collins III Jessica Zhang
A	Amy Chen Gabrielle Reed
G	Madison Burlingame
O	Annalise Maciejewski
N	Layne Lenkowski

High School Spotlight Students

9th	Kaleb Borkowski
10th	Jakob Mostoller
11th	Joseph Turner
12th	Prisca Ogunkanmi

Seniors of the Month

January 2017

Rachael Kelley

Hailey Rivell

Athlete/Coach Recognition

Erin Gray	Winter Track
Girls Volleyball	Olympic Conference Patriot Division
Kristina Bullock	Coach of the Year

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

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

- 2017-18 Budget
- Curriculum & Program Night
- Course Electives and Master Schedules
- [Kingsway Funding Litigation](#)
- [Supreme Court rejects petition](#)

PRESENTATIONS

- Mr. Iocona, Wireless Infrastructure

- Mr. Stephenson, High School Program Spotlight

Experiences – 03/02/2017 and 03/09/2017)

ATTENDANCE SUMMARY

2016-2017 Monthly Average % of Students in Attendance for January:

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Grade Level	Jan %	2016-2017 YTD Avg %	Past 6 Year Avg %
7	95.1	95.9	95.3
8	94.3	95.4	94.7
Total MS Average	94.7	95.7	95.0
9	94.4	95.5	94.4
10	94.2	95.4	93.5
11	94.0	94.8	92.6
12	94.1	94.1	91.4
Total HS Average	94.2	95.0	93.0
District Average	94.5	95.3	94.0

PERSONNEL

District Employment

- Resignation:
 - Kathy DiStefano (Cafeteria-General Worker)
- Substitute:
 - Jordan Fagan (Per Diem Substitute Teacher)
 - Aileen Parker (Per Diem Substitute Teacher)
- Professional Learning Workshop Presenters
 - Lisa Camp (Instant Assessments with Plickers – 03/07/2017)
 - Lisa Camp (Go Guardian– 04/20/2017)
 - Lauren Smith (Developing Vertically Aligned and Cross-Curricular Learning

- CER:

- Michelle DeLaurentis (ELA Teacher – Spring SAT Prep Course)
- Lauren Smith (Math Teacher - Spring SAT Prep Course)
- Jessica Beal (Substitute Math Teacher – Spring SAT Prep Course)

- Appointment of Board Officials:

- Kathleen Jackson-Hill (Affirmative Action Officer)

High School Employment

- Resignation:

- Kare Waddington (Paraprofessional)

- Non-Certified Staff:

- Jayne Tomforde (Paraprofessional)

- Schedule “B”:

- Various positions were approved.

- Substitute:

- Angelina Bertino (LTS English Teacher)

- Practicum / Student Teachers:

- Vicki Steinmetz (Joanellen Fenimore – School Psychology – 09/01/2017 to 06/22/2018)
- Ryan Taylor (June Cioffi – Athletics – 02/27/2017 to 5/31/2017)

Middle School Employment

- Resignation:

- Aileen Parker (Paraprofessional)
- Lisa DeFulvio (LTS English Teacher)

- Substitute:

- Kirstyn Heller (LTS English Teacher)

- Leaves of Absence:

- Danielle Baney (School Psychologist)

FUNDRAISERS

- **03/08/2017 to 3/22/2017 Boys Volleyball.** The Boys Volleyball team will be selling Delicious Gourmet Popcorn. The funds will support hotel rooms, team clothing, senior gifts, senior night flowers and the end of the year banquet.
- **3/23/2017 to 4/14/2017 Girls Softball.** The Girls Softball team will be selling sporting apparel. The funds will support food for the tournament and a GoPro Camera.
- **3/23/2017 to 4/6/2017 Girls Lacrosse.** The Girls Lacrosse team will be selling cookies. The funds will support team clothing, senior gifts and team gear.
- **3/27/2017 to 4/7/2017 Class of 2020.** The class of 2020 will be selling Yankee candles. The funds will support the prom DJ, picnic fees and prom décor.
- **3/27/2017 to 4/5/2017 Interact Club.** The Interact club will be selling candy bar grams. The funds will provide in-district families with ShopRite gift cards for the Easter holiday.
- **3/31/2017 PAWS.** The PAWS club will be selling candy at the Battle of the Bands. The funds will be donated to the Gloucester County Animal Shelter.
- **4/21/2017 NAHS.** The NAHS will be selling ceramic bowls and soup. The funds will be donated to the South Jersey Food Bank.
- **5/1/2017 to 5/12/2017 Student Council.** The Student Council will be collecting supplies for Family Promise. All items collected will be donated to Family Promise.

FIELD TRIPS

- **3/16/2017** – The KEA Pride and SADD clubs will be traveling to the Kingsway South Media Center to assist in a “Save your teen driver” event.
- **3/17/2017** – The Middle School Performing Arts club will be traveling to the Grand

Theater Road Company and Hibachi Grill to reward the cast and crew of the talent show.

- **3/24/2017** – The Mentoring Program will be traveling to Wood Lanes to continue to use life skills learned in class.
- **3/24/2017** – The Student Council will be traveling to Williamstown High School to complete a peer review as part of our standards of excellence application.
- **4/21/2017 to 4/22/2017** – The Boys Volleyball team will be traveling to Rhode Island College to compete in a tournament.
- **4/21/2017** – The Middle School Choir and Art class will be traveling to Appel Farms Arts and Music Center to receive feedback on artwork and performances.
- **4/28/2017 or 4/29/2017** – The Select Jazz Ensemble will be traveling to Chi Chester High School or Upper Moreland High School to compete in Cavalcade of Jazz Championships.
- **5/5/2017** – The Student Council will be traveling to Head Start and Applebees to mentor and serve young children from our community.
- **5/6/2017** – The French III, IV, and V AP classes will be traveling to New York City to explore the French culture.
- **5/10/2017** – The Middle School Special Education class will be traveling to Historic Smithville, NJ to continue to use life skills learned in class.
- **5/20/2017** – The Concert and Jazz Bands will be traveling to Jackson Memorial High School and Six Flags to perform.
- **6/20/2017 rain date 6/22/2017** – The 7th grade class will be traveling to Marine Mammal Stranding Center to reinforce and extend knowledge of 7th grade science curriculum.

RESEARCH PROJECT(S)

- None

EMERGENCY DRILLS/CALLS

School/ Date	Time	Drill
HS 01/12/2017	Start: 12:07 PM End: 12:12 PM	Fire Drill
HS 01/25/2017	Start: 08:51 AM End: 08:55 AM	Precautionary Lockdown – Code Blue
MS 01/12/2017	Start: 09:17 AM End: 09:24 AM	Fire Drill
MS 01/26/2017	Start: 01:45 PM End: 01:53 PM	Full Lockdown Drill

POLICY

The Board recommended the following for FIRST reading for revisions and/or adoption. To access our Policy database, [click here](#).

- None

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

- None

SCHOLARSHIP

The Board approved the following Scholarship(s)

- None

PROGRAMS

The Board approved the following programs:

- 2016 – 2017 Senior class trip Orlando Florida chaperones.

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 reports for the period ending January 31, 2017.

- **Parent Handbook for 2017 CER Summer Camp.** The Board approved the Parent Handbook for 2017 CER Summer Camp.
- **Grant Acceptance.** The Board accepted a grant in the amount of \$500.00 from Gloucester & Salem County Advisory Panel.
- **Senior Privilege.** The Board approved a student for senior privilege.
- **Water Heater Bid Award.** The Board awarded a contract to Air Control Technology, Inc. in the amount of \$69,316.00 for water heater replacement in accordance with the bid results opened and read aloud on Thursday, February 16, 2017.
- **Out of District and Twilight Placement.** The Board approved the following placement.
 - Location: Salem County Special Services School District
Tuition: \$19,100.00 1:1 Aide \$18,000.00
Dates: 2/6/2017 to 6/30/2017

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, March 16, 2017**. The meeting will be held in the Board Conference Room and will begin at 7:00 pm.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board is **Thursday, March 23, 2017** in the Cafeteria East and begins at 7:00 p.m.