

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 meeting held on March 22, 2018.

ENROLLMENT as of February 28, 2018

High School	1759
Middle School	970
TOTAL	2729

STAFF RECOGNITION

- None

STUDENT RECOGNITION

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

Spotlight Students 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

February 2018

D	Juliana Mendek
A	Gavin Springer Sarah Mower
G	Adam Bretz
O	Nathan Maiers
N	Ryan Allen

High School Spotlight Students

February 2018

9 th	Joseph Collins III
10 th	Jordan Kelley
11 th	Nicholas Woodburn
12 th	Adeyemi Ogunkanmi

Seniors of the Month

February 2018

Annie Lancos
Anup Shah

Athletes

Boys Basketball	Tri County Royal Division Champions
Girls Bowling Team	Tri County Conference Royal Division Champions
Katie Robb	South Jersey Times Bowler 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)...

- School Safety
- School Budget & State Aid
- Students Threats

PRESENTATIONS

- VFW Post Patriots Pen Winner - Audrey Pachuta presented by Post Commander Charles Wells
- Tentative 2018-19 School Budget, presented by Mr. Schimpf

ATTENDANCE SUMMARY

2017-2018 Monthly Average % of Students in Attendance for February:

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Grade Level	Feb %	2017-2018 YTD Avg %	Past 6 Year Avg %
7	91.3	95.5	95.4
8	90.1	94.4	94.8
Total MS Average	90.7	95.0	95.1
9	90.4	93.9	94.7
10	89.7	93.9	94.0
11	90.1	93.7	93.1
12	89.3	93.0	92.0
Total HS Average	89.9	94.3	93.4
District Average	90.3	94.6	94.2

PERSONNEL**District Employment**

- Non-Certified Staff:
 - Gertrude Dallett (Bus Driver)
- Resignation:
 - Melinda Clunn (English as a Second Language Teacher)
 - Juan Martinez (Bus Driver)
- Schedule "B":
 - Various positions were approved.
- Substitute:
 - Rebecca Barb (LTS English as a Second Language Teacher)
 - Santino Collins (Custodian)
 - Thomas DeSimone (Per Diem Substitute Teacher)

- Phyllis Bergin (Secretary)

High School Employment

- Resignation:
 - Lauren Smith (Chemistry Teacher)
- Schedule "B":
 - Various positions were approved.
- Substitute:
 - Kevin Costill (LTS English Teacher)
- Leaves of Absence:
 - Laura Newton (Special Education Teacher)

Middle School Employment

- Retirement:
 - Roberta Burlock (Special Education Teacher)
- Substitute:
 - Danielle McKeown (LTS Guidance Counselor)
 - Eric DeDonatis (LTS MS Italian Teacher)

FUNDRAISERS

- **4/9/2018 to 4/20/2018 SADD.** The SADD students will encourage kids to sign the project prom promise not to drink and drive and they will receive a ticket to win a Chinese Auction basket.
- **4/16/2018 to 4/27/2018 NHS.** The NHS will be collecting items to provide military care packages for 5 to 10 Kingsway graduates currently in the military.
- **4/27/2018 Student Council.** The Student Council will be hosting a Video Game Tournament. The funds will support the buying of supplies for the Teacher Appreciation Celebration.

FIELD TRIPS/ASSEMBLIES

- **04/19/2018–** The French III, IV, V and AP classes will be traveling to New York City.

- **4/20/2018** – The Art Students and NAHS will be traveling to the Teen Arts Festival in Elmer, New Jersey.
- **5/12/2018** – The Drama Club, Public Speaking and Debate Classes will be traveling to the Dumont High School.
- **4/27/2018** – The Middle School students will be traveling to the Rowan University Fossil Park.
- **4/27/2018** – A Student Council student will be traveling to a NJASC meeting at Ocean City High School.

EMERGENCY DRILLS/CALLS

School/ Date	Time	Drill
HS 02/23/2018	Start: 10:18 AM End: 10:33 AM	Lockdown Drill
HS 02/27/2018	Start: 09:35 AM End: 09:43 AM	Fire Drill
MS 02/15/2018	Start: 09:35 AM End: 09:42 AM	Fire Drill
MS 02/22/2018	Start: 09:40 AM End: 09:50 AM	Lockdown Drill

POLICY

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

- None

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

- None

PROGRAMS

The Board approved the following programs:

- 2017 – 2018 Spring Athletic Schedule

AWARD(S) and SCHOLARSHIP(S)

- The Kingsway Youth Field Hockey Award

OUT OF DISTRICT/TWILIGHT PLACEMENT

The Board approved the following out of district/twilight placement:

- None

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 February 28, 2018.
- **Donation from Ryan's 41319 Foundation.** The Board accepted a donation from the Ryan's 41319 Foundation for podium and plaque construction as well as maintenance free landscaping at the baseball field.
- **TSA Custodian Appointment.** The Board appoints Newport Trust Company (NTC) as custodian of the District's Vanguard TSA.
- **Health Benefit Proposals.** The Business Administrator shall solicit proposals to determine which proposal, if any, meets the District's dual goals of providing health care and creating economies for the taxpayers.
- **FY18 ESEA Application Amendment.** The Board authorized the submission of an amendment to its FY18 ESEA application to appropriate carry-over funds from the FY17 allocation.
- **ACES Natural Gas Purchase.** The Board agreed the NJSBA will meet from time to time during the effective period as defined to solicit bids from natural gas suppliers for retail natural gas supply services.
- **ACES Electric Purchase.** The Board agreed the NJSBA will meet from time to time during the effective period as defined to solicit bids from electric power suppliers for electric generation services.
- **2018-2019 Tentative Budget.** The Board authorized the submission of the 2018-2019 tentative budget for submittal to the

Executive County Superintendent of Schools.

- **Award of Bid #18-001.** The Board awarded bid number 18-001, 26" Dry Box Truck to Hunter Keystone Peterbilt LP, as the lowest responsible bidder at a total cost of \$91,970.34.
- **SRO Interlocal Agreement.** The Board approved the interlocal agreement with Woolwich Township for a School Resource Officer beginning March 12, 2018 through June 19, 2018.
- **NJ Ethics Act Resolution.** The Board approved the NJ Fair Funding Resolution.

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 regularly scheduled meeting of the Board is **Thursday, April 26, 2018** in the Eitel Theater and begins at 7:00 p.m.