

# January 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 January 25, 2018.**

### ENROLLMENT as of December 31, 2017

High School	1758
Middle School	969
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2727</b>

### STAFF RECOGNITION

#### Teacher of the Year

- **High School** – Jennifer Stark (Science – AP Biology Teacher)
- **Middle School** – Evelyn Torres (World Languages Teacher)

#### Spotlight Teacher

- None

#### Support Staff Spotlight

- None

#### New Staff Introductions

- None

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

### Student Recognition

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

December 2017

<b>D</b>	Christian Torres
<b>R</b>	Andrew Doyle
<b>A</b>	Matthew Simon
<b>G</b>	Robert Powers
<b>O</b>	Thomas Daley Alexandra Weatherby
<b>N</b>	Jack Aregood

#### High School Spotlight Students

December 2017

<b>9<sup>th</sup></b>	Veatriki Nitsolas
<b>10<sup>th</sup></b>	Isabella Huhn
<b>11<sup>th</sup></b>	Nyah Doaman
<b>12<sup>th</sup></b>	Victoria Muhlbaier

#### Seniors of the Month

December 2017

Grace Fagan
Harry Huder

### 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 Funding Litigation
- School Funding
- Mr. Kingsway

**PRESENTATIONS**

- High School Academic Program Spotlight  
Sports Medicine Program, Robin Jaramillo

**ATTENDANCE SUMMARY**

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

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Grade Level	Dec %	2017-2018 YTD Avg %	Past 6 Year Avg %
7	94.7	96.4	95.4
8	93.6	95.4	94.8
<b>Total MS Average</b>	<b>94.2</b>	<b>95.9</b>	<b>95.1</b>
9	92.8	94.9	94.7
10	93.3	94.9	94.0
11	92.6	94.7	93.1
12	92.3	94.6	92.0
<b>Total HS Average</b>	<b>92.8</b>	<b>94.6</b>	<b>93.4</b>
<b>District Average</b>	<b>93.8</b>	<b>95.8</b>	<b>94.2</b>

**PERSONNEL**

**District Employment**

- Retirement:
  - Jeananne Hummel (Cook)
  - Joan Warlow (Cook)
- Leave of Absence:
  - Donna Selfridge (Bus Driver)
- Substitute:
  - Anthony Barchuk (Per Diem Substitute Teacher)
  - Grace Ewing-Reiter (Per Diem Substitute Teacher)

• Internship/Practicum:

- Meghan Treiber (Occupational Therapy, Kate Guzzetti, 01/26/2018 to 06/30/2018)
- Emily Caccia (English, Stacey Oehler, 2/14, 2/21, 2/28, 3/7, 3/21, 3/28 and 4/4/2018)
- Jeffrey Crisanti (English, Stacey Oehler, 2/14, 2/21, 2/28, 3/7, 3/21, 3/28 and 4/4/2018)
- Jada Dawkins (English, Takiyah Dumas, 2/14, 2/21, 2/28, 3/7, 3/21, 3/28 and 4/4/2018)
- Zachary Dawson (English, Takiyah Dumas, 2/14, 2/21, 2/28, 3/7, 3/21, 3/28 and 4/4/2018)
- Carlos DeLeon (English, Amanda Ottinger, 2/14, 2/21, 2/28, 3/7, 3/21, 3/28 and 4/4/2018)
- Brianna Santarelli (English, Amanda Ottinger, 2/14, 2/21, 2/28, 3/7, 3/21, 3/28 and 4/4/2018)
- Kat Petrillo (Spanish, Evelyn Torres, 2/14, 2/21, 2/28, 3/7, 3/21, 3/28 and 4/4/2018)
- Maria Trejo-Mendiola (Spanish, Evelyn Torres, 2/14, 2/21, 2/28, 3/7, 3/21, 3/28 and 4/4/2018)
- Paola Florido (Spanish, Evelyn Torres, 2/14, 2/21, 2/28, 3/7, 3/21, 3/28 and 4/4/2018)
- Professional Learning Workshop Presenters:
  - Connie Erikson (Writing to learn strategies that work in all content area classrooms, 01/30/2018)

**High School Employment**

- Certified Staff:
  - Jennifer Cressman (Paraprofessional)
  - Lamont Robinson (Social Studies Teacher)

- Schedule "B":
  - Various positions were approved.
- Leave of Absence:
  - Katherine Bond (English Teacher)

### Middle School Employment

- Certified Staff:
  - David Dominik (Paraprofessional)
  - Judith Gomes (Paraprofessional)
- Leave of Absence:
  - Debra Bushby (Paraprofessional)

### FUNDRAISERS

- **02/10/2018 Key Club.** The Key Club will be hosting a movie night. The funds earned will support the club's dues.
- **1/29/2018 to 2/9/2018 World Wildlife Club.** The World Wildlife students will be selling bracelets. The funds earned will support the World Wildlife Fund.

### FIELD TRIPS/ASSEMBLIES

- **02/03/2018** – The Math Counts club will be traveling to Rowan University.
- **7/22/2019 to 7/31/2019** – The Spanish students will be traveling to Spain.
- **3/5/2018** – The Renaissance Group will be traveling to the Jostens Renaissance Pep Rally.
- **2/5/2018** – The Student Council will be traveling to the NJASC State Officer Meeting.

### RESEARCH PROJECT(S)

- None

### EMERGENCY DRILLS/CALLS

School/Date	Time	Drill
HS 12/15/2017	Start: 11:30 AM End: 11:46 AM	Precautionary Lockdown Drill

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HS 12/19/2017	Start: 01:08 PM End: 01:14 PM	Fire Drill
MS 12/13/2017	Start: 01:45 PM End: 01:52 PM	Fire Drill
MS 12/22/2017	Start: 09:30 AM End: 09:36 AM	Precautionary Lockdown Drill

### POLICY

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

- Policy #5756 – Transgender and Gender Nonconforming students

The Board recommended the following for **FIRST** reading to be repealed.

- Policy # 5750.1 – Equal Educational Opportunity for Transgender and Gender Nonconforming students.

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

- None

### PROGRAMS

The Board approved the following programs:

- None

### SCHOLARSHIPS

- None

### OUT OF DISTRICT/TWILIGHT PLACEMENT

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

- Clearview Regional Transition Program- \$13,440.00-12/19/2017 to 6/30/2018

### 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 December 31, 2017.

- **Adoption of Substitute Employment Rates.** The Board approved changes to the substitute employment rates for the period of January 1, 2018 through June 30, 2018.
- **Division of Food Nutrition Corrective Action Plan.** The Board adopted the corrective action plan in relation to the food service net cash resources that currently exceed three months of average expenditures.
- **CRESS Services Agreement.** The Board approved the Professional Services Agreement through Gloucester County Special Services School District – CRESS for the 2017-2018 school year for speech-language services at a cost of \$27,357.00.
- **Solid Waste and Recycling Interlocal with Woolwich Township.** The Board approved an interlocal agreement for collection and disposal of solid waste and recycling services for 2018 with Woolwich Township at a cost of \$24,852.00.
- **Child Nutrition Program.** The Board is not required to participate in the Child Nutrition Program (CNP) nor required to charge students for reduced and/or paid meals for the 2018-2019 school year.
- **Special Olympics Grant.** The Board accepted a \$1,666.00 UNIFY Special Olympics Grant to be used to promote inclusive sports for the 2017-2018 school year.
- **Approval of Program Planning guide.** The Board approved the Program Planning Guide for the 2018-2019 school year.
- **2018-2019 KRSD School Calendar.** The Board approved the [2018-2019 School Calendar](#).

- **Board Officials.** The Board appointed the following for the 2017-2018 school year.
  - Ed Dubbs – School Safety Specialist

#### 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, February 22, 2017** in the Eitel Theater and begins at 7:00 p.m.