

# 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 24, 2019.**

### **ENROLLMENT as of December 31, 2018**

High School	1750
Middle School	989
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2739</b>

### **STAFF RECOGNITION**

#### **Teacher of the Year**

- High School – [Reena Ninan](#) (Science Teacher)
- Middle School – [Dana Ott](#) (Language Art & Literature)

#### **Educational Services Professional of the Year**

- [Barbara Neal](#) (Nurse)

### **New Staff Introduction**

- Brendan Pollick – Paraprofessional
- Brianna Cormaney – Health & Physical Education Teacher

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 2018**

<b>D</b>	Aryan Bhagat
<b>R</b>	Caittlin Mooney
<b>A</b>	Matthew Wolosin
<b>G</b>	Charles Schneider
<b>O</b>	Owen Gasparon Bella Zuccato
<b>N</b>	Sincir Walker

#### **High School Spotlight Students**

**December 2018**

<b>9<sup>th</sup></b>	Allison Macfarland
<b>10<sup>th</sup></b>	Madelyn Johnson
<b>11<sup>th</sup></b>	Talia Coombe
<b>12<sup>th</sup></b>	Yadira Ibarra

#### **Seniors of the Month**

**December 2018**

Daniel Reynolds
Timothy Reynolds

- **Ani Muralidharan** – Fuel Up to Play 60

**SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT**

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

- High School Open House January 30<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm
- [KEF Toast of the Town February 1<sup>st</sup>](#) – Get your tickets now!
- [2019-2020 School Calendar](#) was approved.

**PRESENTATIONS**

- **Melvin Allen** – High School Academic Program Spotlight
- **Ron Baus and Wendy Beckett** – Greater Swedesboro Business Association donated \$1,000 to students in need.

**ATTENDANCE SUMMARY**

*2018-2019 Monthly Average % of Students in Attendance for December:*

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Grade Level	Dec %	2018-2019 YTD Avg %	Past 6 Year Avg %
7	95.1	96.6	95.5
8	94.8	96.2	94.9
<b>Total MS Average</b>	<b>95.0</b>	<b>96.4</b>	<b>95.2</b>
9	94.7	96.0	94.8
10	94.5	95.9	94.4
11	93.5	94.9	93.4
12	92.4	94.1	92.2
<b>Total HS Average</b>	<b>93.8</b>	<b>95.2</b>	<b>93.8</b>
<b>District Average</b>	<b>94.4</b>	<b>95.8</b>	<b>94.5</b>

**PERSONNEL**

**District Employment**

- Non-Certified Staff:

- Chris Purviance (Bus Driver)
- Frank Patti (Bus Aide)
- Resignation:
  - Kenya King (Bus Aide)
- Substitute:
  - Maddalena Putorti (General Worker)
- Leaves of Absence:
  - Mildred Byrne (Cafeteria)
  - Gary Clark (Transportation)
  - Dana Stevens (Payroll Administrator)
  - Jason Sturek (Transportation)
  - Rita Fabritiis (Transportation)
  - Karen Murray (Food Service)
  - John Peplowski (Custodian)
  - Amanda Ottinger (English Teacher)
  - Cassie Tomczak (Math Teacher)
- Professional Learning Workshop Presenters:
  - Allie Shelley – Google Sites Work Session
  - Karla Morales – Bias and Macroaggressions within the Classroom
  - Jeanine Delaney – Making the most of Google Classroom to enhance instruction

**High School Employment**

- Schedule “B”:
  - Various positions were approved.

**Middle School Employment**

- Schedule “B”:
  - Various positions were approved.

**FUNDRAISERS**

- **01/28/2019 to 02/13/2019** – The Student Council will be selling lollipop grams.
- **03/22/2019** – The Mentoring Program is holding a Floor Hockey Tournament.

- **03/19/2019 to 03/21/2019** – The Musical students will be selling baked goods and water at the band and choir concerts.

**FIELD TRIPS/ASSEMBLIES**

- **01/15/2019**– The STEP program traveled to the VillageThrift Store.
- **01/22/2019, 02/05/2019, 02/19/2018 and 02/26/2019** – The STEP program will be traveling to Patals & Paints and Dukin Donuts.
- **02/14/2019** – The Jazz Ensemble will be traveling to Rowan University.
- **02/22/2019** – The Adoptive PE group will be traveling to Gateway High School.
- **02/22/2019 and 02/23/2019** – The Wrestling Team will be traveling to Egg Harbor Township High School.
- **02/28/2019, 03/01/2019 and 03/02/2019** – The Wrestling Team will be traveling to the Atlantic City Convention Center.
- **03/21/2019** – The Sure group will be traveling to a Summit Conference.
- **05/17/2019 and 05/18/2019** – The Jazz Ensemble will be traveling to Hershey Park.

**EMERGENCY DRILLS/CALLS**

School/ Date	Time	Drill
MS 12/13/2018	Start: 09:31 AM End: 09:45 AM	Precautionary Lockdown Drill
MS 12/20/2018	Start: 01:40 PM End: 01:46 PM	Fire Drill
HS 12/05/2018	Start: 07:45 AM End: 08:05 AM	Precautionary Lockdown Drill
HS 12/12/2018	Start: 01:30 PM End: 01:35 PM	Fire Drill
HS 12/20/2018	Start: 09:05 AM End: 09:12 AM	Shelter in Place 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.

- Policy 0169.02, 1511, 2700, 3437, 4437, 5516.01, 5620, 7130, 7300, 7425, 7461, 8505, 8550, 8630, 9242
- Policy and Regulation 1240, 3126, 3221, 3222, 3223, 3224, 3240, 5610, 7100, 7101, 7102, 7424, 7440, 7441
- Regulation 5460.1, 7300.1, 7300.2, 7300.3, 7300.4

**PROGRAMS**

The Board approved the following programs:

- Kaplan Test Prep – SAT Prep

**OUT OF DISTRICT PLACEMENT**

- Various placements were approved.

**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 accepted the Student Activity and Athletic Account Financial Reports for period ending December 2018.
- **Revised PPO Medical Rate.** The Board approved the revised costs with Amerihealth through SHIF.
- **Joint Transportation Agreement with Gateway Regional.** The Board approved a joint transportation agreement with Gateway Regional School District for field trips and sports runs.
- **Approval of Program Planning Guide.** The Board approved the Program Planning Guide for the 2019-2020 school year.
- **2019-2020 School Calendar.** The Board approved the 2019 – 2020 KRSD school calendar.

**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 21, 2019** in the Cafeteria East and begins at 7:00 p.m.