

June 2021 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 meetings held on June 15, 2021 and June 22, 2021.

ENROLLMENT as of May 31, 2021	
High School	1791
Middle School	1037
TOTAL	2828

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

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

- July Meeting Dates
- End of School Year

STAFF RECOGNITION

- None

STUDENT RECOGNITION

- www.krsd.org/BOEPhotographs

Spotlight Students and Seniors of the Month each received a \$25.00 gift certificate to Martell's Corner. These awards are made courtesy of the Kingsway Education Foundation.

Middle School Spotlight Students

May 2021

K	Caitlin Estabillo
I	Brody Garrison
N	Arthur Richardson
N	Zoe Rengepis
G	Gabrielle Ciociola
S	Filip Mirkovic
W	Madison Marshall
A	Megan Mullarz
Y	Dominic Hibbs

High School Spotlight Students

May 2021

9 th	Jahaan Green
10 th	Ericah Wakiaga
11 th	Jordyn Scott
12 th	Johnathan Friedrich

June 2021

9 th	Nicole Poulson
10 th	Darius Davis
11 th	Karra Mooney
12 th	Elizabeth DeLoach

Seniors of the Month

May 2021

Dalton Britner

Rachel Robichaud

June 2021

Sarah Cancila

Laken Franchetti

Student Accomplishments

- Kat Bott – 1st Girls Wrestling State Champ
- Boys Golf – NJSIAA South Sectional Champions, Gloucester County Champions
- Boys Wrestling - #1 Public Team in NJ; #2 Team in NJ; #1 Team in South Jersey (Courier Post Cup Winner); Coach Mike Barikian – NJ Wrestling Coach of the Year; South Jersey Coach of the Year
- Kyle Rakitis – Boys Track and Field – South

Jersey Group IV Champion in the 800 and 1600 and Group IV State Champion in the 1600

- Conference Championship Teams:
Field Hockey; Boys Soccer; Girls Cross Country; Boys Cross Country; Girls Basketball; Boys Wrestling; Girls Swimming; Boys Track and Field; Girls Track and Field; Boys Tennis; Softball; Girls Lacrosse
- Jaden Rickards named Outstanding Musician at Virtual National Jazz Festival
- Students in Action Team won the Advocacy Award

PRESENTATIONS:

- None

PERSONNEL

Annual Renewal

The Board of Education approved the annual renewals of employees. Correspondence will be sent on an individual basis.

District Employment

- Appointments:
 - None
- Resignation/Retirement:
 - None
- Leaves of Absence:
 - None

High School Employment

- Appointments:
 - None
- Resignation/Retirement:
 - Stephanie Atene – Guidance Counselor
 - Kaitlyn Wratford – Special Education Teacher
 - Kathryn Harmon-White – Special Education Teacher
 - Benjamin Lloyd – Teacher of Physics
- Schedule “B” and Change of Status:
 - Various positions were approved.
- Leaves of Absence:
 - Dana Gaetano – Teacher of Special Education

- Mary Hawk – Night Custodian

- Practicum/Internships:

- Meredith Keller – CST Internship/Christina Bedisky, 07/06/2021 – 08/30/2021

- Change of Status

- Thomas Lawless (Teacher of Special Education) Rescinded employment
- Sharon Rosado (Paraprofessional Job Coach) Rescinded employment

Middle School Employment

- Appointments:

- None

- Retirement/Resignation:

- Peter Berger – Custodian

- Schedule “B” and Change of Status:

- Various positions were approved.

- Leaves of Absence:

- None

- Practicum/Internships:

- None

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

The Board approved the following staff training:

- Nicole Miller and Tia DuBose – Rowan PEER Train the Trainer; 6/22/2021-6/24/2021
- Holly Falvey – AVID Digital XP/AVID Elective-Experienced; 6/28/2021 – 6/30/2021
- Karla Morales and Dawn Marchetti – AVID Digital XP/Fostering an Equitable and Engaging Culture in Classrooms; 6/28/2021-6/30/2021
- Bobbi Havers – AVID Digital XP/Academic Language & Literacy Architects: Language Building Through Culture and Identity; 6/28/2021 - 6/30/2021
- Jayne Tomforde – AVID Digital XP/Mathematics: Cultivating a Discourse-Rich Classroom – Secondary; 6/28/2021 – 6/30/2021
- Joseph Kuppler – PLTW Principles of Engineering Training; 7/12/2021 - 7/23/2021

- Susan Romano – AVID Digital XP/Science; 7/14/2021 – 7/16/2021
- Lory Roberts – AVID Digital XP/Mathematics: Cultivating a Discourse-Rich Classroom – Secondary; 7/14/2021 – 7/16/2021
- Amanda Ottinger – AVID Digital XP/Academic Language and Literacy Architects: Language Building Through Culture and Identity; 7/14/2021 – 7/16/2021
- Olivia Kimber – AVID Digital XP/Science; 8/10/2021- 8/12/2021
- Melvin Allen and Meredith Alexander – AVID Digital XP/Leading Change for Educational Equity; 8/10/2021 – 8/12/2021

FIELD/ TRIPS/ASSEMBLIES

- 4/11/2022 – 4/15/2022: Class of 2022 Senior Class trip to Orlando, Florida
- 7/8/2021; 7/15/2021; 7/22/2021; 7/29/2021; 8/5/2021: STEP Program/ESY will travel to Westbrook Lanes for Community Based Instruction
- 8/12/2021: STEP Program/ESY will travel to Swedesboro Diner for Community Based Instruction

FUNDRAISERS

- None

EMERGENCY DRILLS/CALLS

School/ Date	Time	Drill
MS 05/20/2021	Start: 01:20 PM End: 01:24 PM	Fire Drill
MS 05/27/2021	Start: 02:00 PM End: 02:05 PM	Precautionary Lockdown Drill
HS 05/10/2021	Start: 02:33 PM End: 02:35 PM	Fire Drill / Evacuation Phase 2 Drill
HS 05/20/2021	Start: 09:57 AM End: 09:58 AM	Code Blue Drill
HS/MS 05/25/2021	Start: 09:15 AM End: 09:25 AM	School Bus Emergency Evacuation Drills

POLICY

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

- 5410 – Promotion and Retention

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

- None

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING WORKSHOPS:

- 6/10/2021 – Schoology & Gradebook Sync End of Year Work Session

PROGRAMS

The Board approved the following programs:

- None

AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

The Board approved the following scholarships:

- None

FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENTS

- None

OUT OF DISTRICT PLACEMENT

The Board approved the following out of district placements:

- 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 accepted the Student Activity and Athletic Account Financial Reports for the period ending March 31, 2021.
- **Void Prior Year AP Checks.** The Board approved outstanding checks to be voided.
- **Use of Facility Waiver.** The Board waived insurance requirement and facility use fees from Kingsway Education Foundation (KEF) and the Dragon Run Committee for activities during the 2021-2022 School year.
- **Job Description.** The Board approved the following job description:
 - Assistant Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds.

- **Renewal Agreement with Kelly Services, Inc.** The Board authorized the renewal of an agreement with Kelly Services, Inc. for the provision of substitute placement services for the 2021-2022 school year.
- **KEA Contract 2021-22.** The Board approved the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Kingsway Education Association and the Kingsway Regional Board of Education, with salary guides, for the period of July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.
- **NJSIAA Participation.** The Board authorized participation of the Kingsway Regional High School athletic teams in the NJ State Interscholastic Athletic Association for the 2021-22 school year.
- **Transfer of Excess Surplus to Capital Reserve Account.** The Board authorized the SBA to make a transfer to the capital reserve account.
- **2021 Class Funds.** The Board accepted a donation from the Class of 2021 of the remaining account balance to be split between the classes of 2025, 2024, 2023 and bulk of the funds to the class of 2022 to assist with senior activities.

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.

A special meeting of the Board will be held Thursday, July 8, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.; and the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board is Thursday, July 29, 2021. Meetings will be hybrid by Zoom Conference and in-person in the East Cafeteria to begin at 7:00 p.m.