

July-August 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 July 23, 2020 and August 24, 2020.

ENROLLMENT as of June 31, 2020

High School	1774
Middle School	1036
TOTAL	2810

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

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

- 2020-2021 Revised School Calendar
- Reopening Plans
- District Calendar
- Staffing Update
- Budget Update
- Restart & Recovery Plan

PERSONNEL

District Employment

- Appointments:
 - Christina Armstrong (Bus Aide)

- Emily Virga (Director of Virtual Learning & Instruction)
- Nicholas Fiorentino (PT Custodian)
- Kelly Palumbo (PT Custodian)
- Pamela Snyder (PT Custodian)
- Resignation:
 - Trell Gonzoles (Bus Driver)
 - Rudolph Inman (Bus Driver)
 - Kate McEntee (Director of Human Resources)
 - Frank Patti (Bus Aide)
 - Redean Turner (Bus Driver)
- Retirement:
 - None
- Schedule "B":
 - Various positions were approved.
- Substitute:
 - None
- Leaves of Absence:
 - Patricia Bowe (Bus Driver)

High School Employment

- Appointments:
 - Megan Balinge (Teacher of English)
 - Brett Fereday (Night Custodian)
 - Kevin Rival (Teacher of Chemistry)
 - Dr. Kamal Benslama (Teacher of Physics)
 - John Gundaker (LTS Teacher of Special Education)
 - Erica Hart (Teacher of Special Education)
 - John Hogbin (LTS Teacher of Science)
 - Joseph Ivins (LTS Teacher of English)
- Resignation:
 - Patricia Conn (Teacher of Business)
 - Birttany Curran (Teacher of Physics)
 - Kyle Louis (Teacher of Special Education-Physics)
 - Kaitlyn Totoro (Teacher of Chemistry)
 - Kelsey Schipske (Teacher of English)
- Schedule "B":
 - Various positions were approved.

- Leaves of Absence:
 - Michelle Behringer (Teacher of English)

Middle School Employment

- Appointments:
 - Kathleen Mercado (LTS School Nurse)
 - Patricia Knott (LTS Teacher of Mathematics)
 - Kaitlin Whitman (Teacher of Spanish)
- Resignation:
 - None
- Schedule “B”:
 - Various positions were approved.
- Leaves of Absence:
 - Jay Allen (Night Custodian)
 - Katie Ford (Secretary)

POLICY

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

- Policy #1649 - Federal Families First Coronavirus (COVID-19) Response Act
- Policy #1648 - Restart & Recovery Plan
- Policy #1648.02 - Remote Learning Options for Families

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

- Policy #1649 - Federal Families First Coronavirus (COVID-19) Response Act

PROGRAMS

The Board approved the following programs:

- None

AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

The Board approved the following awards and scholarships:

- None

FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENTS

- None

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 the period ending June 2020 and July 2020.
- **2020-2021 School Calendar.** The Board approved the Revised 2020-2021 School Calendar.
- **School Bus Maintenance with Clearview.** The Board approved the shared service agreement for the 2020-2021 School Year.
- **Affiliation Agreements.** The Board approved the Affiliation Agreements for Student Athletic Trainer and Student Teacher Internships Between Rowan University and KRSD.
- **Transportation Jointures.** The Board approved transportation jointures for the 2020-2021 School Year with East Greenwich and Swedesboro-Woolwich School Districts.
- **CRESS Contract.** The Board approved the CRESS contract for the 2020-2021 School Year.
- **2020-2021 State Aid Reduction Narrative.** The Board adopted the district’s state aid reduction plan.
- **2020-2021 KRHS Student Handbook.** The Board approved the 2020-2021 KRHS Student Handbook.
- **2020-2021 KRMS Student Handbook.** The Board approved the 2020-2021 KRMS Student Handbook.
- **Standing Orders.** The Board approved the Standing Orders as provided by KRSD School Physician for the 2020-2021 School Year.
- **Alyssa’s Law Compliance.** The Board authorized submission of an Alyssa’s Law compliance certification and submission of a school security grant once available.

- **Digital Divide Grant Application.** The Board authorized submission of a grant application through the 2020 Bridging the Digital Divide Grant opportunity.
- **Senior Privilege.** The Board approved senior privilege for student providing their own transportation to school.
- **NBN Group Agreement.** The Board approved a contract with NBN Group for nursing services for the 2020-2021 School Year.
- **Receiving District Tuition with Clearview.** The Board approved the following tuition contract agreement.
 - **Sending District:** Clearview Regional School District
Duration: 09/01/2020 – 06/30/2021
Annual Tuition Rate: \$12,367.00
ICS 3 hours/day: \$4,849.00
- **Teacher and Administrator Evaluation Model.** The Board approved the use of the Marzano Teacher Evaluation Model.

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, September 24, 2020 by Zoom Conference and begins at 7:00 p.m.