

# November 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 November 30, 2017.**

### ENROLLMENT as of October 31, 2017

High School	1754
Middle School	962
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2716</b>

### STAFF RECOGNITION

#### Spotlight Teacher

- None

#### Support Staff Spotlight

- None

#### New Staff Introductions

- Jordan Edwards – HS Science Teacher
- Nicole DiFelice – HS Math Teacher
- Charles Armstrong – Bus Driver

The November 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 each received a \$25.00 gift certificate to Martell's. These awards are made courtesy of the Kingsway Education Foundation.

#### Middle School Spotlight Students

October 2017

D	Jack Arena Genesis Moore
R	Grant Holly
A	Jackson Busza
G	Audrey Pachuta
O	Austin Curtis
N	Kyle Kirwin
S	Claire Mathis

#### High School Spotlight Students

October 2017

9 <sup>th</sup>	Sophia Koutsoubis
10 <sup>th</sup>	Leilani Collazo
11 <sup>th</sup>	Darrius VanMonter
12 <sup>th</sup>	Serena Varelli

#### Seniors of the Month

October 2017

Matthew Miles

### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

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

- Guide to the Chief School Administrator Evaluation Process
- School Calendar Survey
- Vaping/Code of Conduct
- Faculty/Student/Parent Surveys

### PRESENTATIONS

- Data Update – Mr. Rosenheim and Mrs. Calandro
- 2016 – 2017 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report – Mr. Holt
- Kingsway Dragon Carving – Mrs. Matthias

### ATTENDANCE SUMMARY

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

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Grade Level	Oct %	2017-2018 YTD Avg %	Past 6 Year Avg %
7	97.6	97.4	95.4
8	97.2	97.1	94.8
<b>Total MS Average</b>	<b>97.4</b>	<b>97.3</b>	<b>95.1</b>
9	95.7	96.0	94.7
10	95.8	96.2	94.0
11	95.1	96.2	93.1
12	94.3	96.4	92.0
<b>Total HS Average</b>	<b>95.2</b>	<b>96.2</b>	<b>93.4</b>
<b>District Average</b>	<b>96.3</b>	<b>96.7</b>	<b>94.2</b>

### PERSONNEL

#### District Employment

- Resignation:
  - Dave Zeck (Maintenance)
- Non-Certified Staff:
  - Jonathan Hooley (Custodian)
- Schedule "B":
  - Various positions were approved.
- Substitute:
  - Joseph Murray (Substitute Custodian)
- Leave of Absence:
  - Donna Selfridge (Bus Driver)

#### High School Employment

- Certified Staff:
  - Daniel Murray (History Teacher)
- Schedule "B":
  - Various positions were approved.
- Substitute:
  - Tara Pridy (LTS Special Education Teacher)
  - Rory Watkins (LTS Special Education Teacher)
- Leave of Absence:
  - Lauren Smith (Chemistry Teacher)

#### Middle School Employment

- Resignation:
  - Donna Berkauzer (Secretary)
- Schedule "B":
  - Various positions were approved.
- Substitute:
  - Anthony Siravo (LTS Science Teacher)
- Leave of Absence:
  - Amanda Leto (Italian Teacher)

### FUNDRAISERS

- **12/6/2017 to 12/20/2017 Cultures Club.** The Cultures Club will be collecting food and donations. The food and donations will support local families in need.
- **12/11/2017 to 12/15/2017 Choir.** The Choir will be selling Candy Grams. The funds will support the choir trips.
- **12/16/2017 to 2/28/2018 Boys Basketball Team.** The Boys Basketball Team will be selling concession stand items at home games. The funds will support spirit wear for the team.
- **12/16/2017 to 2/28/2018 Girls Basketball Team.** The Girls Basketball Team will be

selling concession stand items at home games. The funds will support the end of the year events.

- **1/13/2018 Student Council.** The Student Council will be collecting donations. The funds will be donated to charities of their choosing.
- **1/13/2018 Student Council.** The Student Council will be selling Mr. Kingsway Tickets. The funds will support student council events.
- **1/15/2018 to 1/19/2018 Habitat for Humanity.** The Habitat for Humanity is hosting a penny war between teachers and students. The funds collected will be used for building materials for the Gloucester Country H4H.
- **2/23/2018 National Art Honor Society.** The National Art Honor Society will be selling soup. The funds collected will be donated to the South Jersey Food Bank.
- **3/5/2018 and 3/6/2018 Renaissance Program.** The Renaissance Program will hold a March Madness basketball Tournament. The funds collected will support the Renaissance Program.
- **5/25/2018 National Art Honor Society.** The National Art Honor Society will be selling paintings and baskets. The funds collected will be used for art supplies and field trips.

#### FIELD TRIPS/ASSEMBLIES

- **12/11/2017**– The Student Council will be traveling to the State Student Council Interview Meeting.
- **12/13/2017** – The High School SURE group will be traveling to the Deptford Mall to assist students in becoming familiar with the community and life after graduation.
- **12/13/2017** – The Middle School SURE group will be traveling to the Deptford Mall to assist students in becoming familiar with the community and life after graduation.
- **12/15/2017 to 12/17/2017** – The Wrestling Team will be traveling to the Beast of the East Wrestling Tournament.
- **12/16/2017** – The Habitat for Humanity Club will be traveling to a house build.
- **12/19/2017** – The Student Council will be traveling to Head Start to perform an outreach to local children.
- **1/9/2018 and 1/31/2018.** The Honors English and Creative Writing classes will be traveling to Samuel Mickle School to work closely with third graders on an original book.
- **1/9/2018.** DECA will be traveling to the Southern Regional Blue Conference to participate in a Regional DECA Competition.
- **1/10/2018.** The Student Council will be traveling to the TCNJ Winter Convention.
- **1/13/2018 to 1/14/2018** – The Wrestling Team will be traveling to the Escape the Rock Tournament.
- **1/17/2018.** The Young Authors and Art students will be traveling to Samuel Mickle School to work closely with third graders on an original book.
- **1/20/2018** - The Habitat for Humanity Club will be traveling to a house build.
- **1/22/2018** – The SURE group will be traveling to Rowan University for training to be college and career ready.
- **2/7/2018** – The Mock Trail Group will be traveling to the Southern Regional Mick Trail Championship.
- **2/15/2018** – The Jazz Band will be traveling to Rowan University for a Jazz Festival.
- **2/17/2018** – The Habitat for Humanity Club will be traveling to a house build.
- **2/23/2018 to 2/24/2018** – The Wrestling Team will be traveling to Regions Wrestling Tournament.

- **3/1/2018 to 3/4/2018** – The Wrestling Team will be traveling to the State Tournament.
- **3/15/2018** – The SURE group will be traveling to Rowan University for a SURE Summit.
- **3/17/2018** – The Habitat for Humanity Club will be traveling to a house build.
- **4/12/2018** – The Student Council will be traveling to Head Start to perform a community service project.
- **4/17/2018** – The Wildlife Club, Animal Science, AP Bio and Environmental Club will be traveling to the Philadelphia Zoo.
- **4/20/2018 to 4/21/2018** – The Boys Volleyball Team will be traveling to the Rhode Island Invitational.
- **4/21/2018** - The Habitat for Humanity Club will be traveling to a house build.
- **5/19/2018** - The Habitat for Humanity Club will be traveling to a house build.
- **5/19/2018** – The Band will be traveling to Six Flags for a performance.
- **5/21/2018** – The Foreign Language Club will be traveling to the United Nations.
- **5/28/2018** – The Photo Club and Art Club will be traveling to the National Gallery of Art in Washington DC.
- **5/30/2018** – The AP Art History class will be traveling to the Museum of Art in NYC.
- **5/30/2018** – The AP Physics 1 and 2 will be traveling to Six Flags to explore real world physics.
- **5/30/2018** – The Student Council will be traveling to Six Flags for the NJASC Convention.
- **6/1/2018** – The Art Honor Society will be traveling to Grounds for Sculpture in Hammonton, NJ to view famous outdoor sculptures.
- **6/8/2018** – The Middle School Choir will be traveling to Kutztown University and Dorney Park.
- **7/2/2018 to 7/11/2018** – The French 3 to 5AP will be traveling to France.
- **Between 12/2017 to 6/2018** - The Community Based Instruction will be travelling to the following places to become familiar with their community and to be better prepared for life.
  - Rowan College
  - Gloucester County Institute of Technology
  - Timberline Shopping Center
  - ERIC
- **12/8/2017** – The Peer Facilitators will be traveling to High Elevations to receive training to help student deal with interpersonal conflicts.

#### RESEARCH PROJECT(S)

- None

#### EMERGENCY DRILLS/CALLS

School/ Date	Time	Drill
HS 10/2/2017	Start: 12:56 PM End: 01:01 PM	Precautionary Lockdown
HS 10/27/2017	Start: 09:20 AM End: 09:26 AM	Precautionary Lockdown
HS 10/31/2017	Start: 12:01 PM End: 12:06 PM	Fire Drill
MS 10/13/2017	Start: 01:45 PM End: 01:52 PM	Fire Drill
MS 10/27/2017	Start: 07:35 AM End: 07:58 AM	Evacuation Drill (Stage 1 & 2)
HS and MS 10/24/2017	Start: 07:00 AM	School Bus Emergency Evacuation 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 Winter Activities Schedule

### SCHOLARSHIPS

- None

### OUT OF DISTRICT/TWILIGHT PLACEMENT

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

- Out of District Placement

Placement	Cost	Dates
Burlington County Special Services School District	\$41,963.00	9/6/2017 – 6/19/2018
Bankbridge Career Center	\$30,240.00	11/1/2017 – 6/30/2018
Bankbridge South Auditory Impairment Program	\$60,120.00*	9/1/2017 – 6/30/2018
Bankbridge North	\$31,000.00	11/13/2017 – 6/30/2018

\*Previously BOE approved at different rate

### 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 October 31, 2017.
- **Comprehensive Maintenance Plan.** The Board authorized the submission of the

District's 2018-2019 Comprehensive Maintenance Plan (CMP).

- **FURever as Friends Agreement.** The Board approved an agreement with FURever As Friends Inc., for pet therapy for the 2017-2018 school year.
- **Change Order Request.** The Board approved the change of order request for the Kingsway Regional High School domestic hot water replacement project.
- **Sending Tuition Student.** The Board approved the tuition contract for the following:
  - Student:** 8<sup>th</sup> grade student
  - Tuition:** \$11,730.00
  - Resource Room:** \$3,240.00
  - Total:** \$14,970.00
- **Salem County YMCA Agreement.** The Board approved an agreement with Salem County YMCA to use their facility for swim practices on December 2, 9, 16, 30, 2017 and January 6, 13, 2018. The cost of the six practices is \$960.00.
- **2017 – 2018 GCIT Tuition.** The Board approved the tuition contract with Gloucester County Vocational-Technical School District for the 2017 -2018 school year. The cost per enrolled student is \$2,340.00 per month.
- **Physical Therapist Agreement.** The Board approved an agreement with Tamera Siner to provide physical therapy student services beginning December 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018 at a cost of \$60.00 per hour.
- **2016 – 2017 CAFR.** The Board accepted the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017 and related documents for submission to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools.
- **2017 – 2018 KRSD Middle School Student Handbook.** The Board approved the updated 2017 – 2018 KRSD Middle School Student Handbook.

- **2017 – 2018 KRSD Coaches Handbook.** The Board approved the updated 2017 – 2018 KRSD Coaches Handbook.

### 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, December 21, 2017** in the Eitel Theater and begins at 7:00 p.m.