

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.

**In Memory of Teacher , Laura (Lolly) Newton
who passed away on
Monday, November 11, 2019**



Highlights from the Kingsway Regional School District Board of Education meeting held on November 21, 2019.

ENROLLMENT as of October 31, 2019

High School	1786
Middle School	1028
TOTAL	2814

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 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

October 2019

K	Jacqueline Tarum Carina Velez
I	Hannah Murawski
N	Soren Kipphut
G	Kate Clune
S	Braden Mission
W	Addison Springer
A	Chase Lewandowski
Y	Harley DeFay
1st MP	Amani Armour

High School Spotlight Students

October 2019

9 th	Zykiria Cottemond
10 th	Colin McEvoy
11 th	Nicholas Ammazzaorsi
12 th	Alyssa Defeo

Seniors of the Month

October 2019

Abigail Brown
Nikolaos Kalfas

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 School Calendar](#)
- Notice of Hearing
- 2020-2021 Budget Preparation Calendar

STAFF RECOGNITION

- New Staff Introduction

PRESENTATIONS

- Mr. Iocona – Technology Update
- LMTI Experience
- KEA donation to KEF

ATTENDANCE SUMMARY

2019-2020 Monthly Average % of Students in Attendance for October 2019:

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Grade Level	Oct %	2019-2020 YTD Avg %	Past 6 Year Avg %
7	96.9	97.4	95.5
8	96.3	97.0	94.9
Total MS Average	96.6	97.2	95.2
9	96.0	96.6	94.8
10	94.7	95.6	94.4
11	95.4	96.0	93.4
12	92.9	94.3	92.2
Total HS Average	94.8	95.6	93.8
District Average	95.7	96.4	94.5

PERSONNEL

District Employment

- Non-Certified Staff:
 - Antoinette Hawk (Cafeteria Worker)
- Resignation:
 - Heather DiTullio (Cafeteria Worker)
- Substitute:
 - Jonathan Ammaturo (Custodian)
 - Christina Armstrong (Bus Aide)
 - Brett Matteucci (Custodian)
 - Justin McCann (Custodian)
- Professional Learning Workshop Presenters:
 - Donna Carpenter (Ins & Outs of New College Board On-line AP Classroom)
 - Christina Smith (Ins & Outs of New College Board On-line AP Classroom)
- Practicum/Internship:
 - Allyson Link (Melissa Lachall – School Psychology – Practicum)
 - Catie Koeing (Robert Baerman – Athletic Training – Internship)

- Noah Underwood (Robert Baerman – Athletic Training – Internship)

High School Employment

- Certified Staff:
 - Meredith Alexander (Assistant Principal)
 - Michelle Beech (LTS Counselor)
- Schedule “B”:
 - Various positions were approved
- Leaves of Absence:
 - Carol Ewald (Family and Consumer Science Teacher)
 - Stephanie Champion (Administrative Assistant)
 - Edward Moody (History Teacher)
 - Reena Ninan (Science Teacher)

Middle School Employment

- Resignation:
 - Thomas Shute (Paraprofessional)
- Leaves of Absence:
 - Amanda Leto (Italian Teacher)

FUNDRAISERS

- **11/3/2019 to 11/17/2019** – The Swimming and Diving Team sold Thanksgiving pies.
- **11/20/2019 to 12/10/2019** – The SURE Group will be collecting items to donate to the Family Promise Group.
- **12/2/2019 to 12/13/2019** – The Renaissance Program will be selling school spirit wear.
- **11/21/2019 to 12/5/2019** – The Dance team will be selling tickets to the Philadelphia Wings game.
- **11/27/2019 to 12/10/2019** – The DECA students will be selling spirit sleeves.
- **11/21/2019** – The FCA group hosted a volleyball tournament.

FIELD/ TRIPS/ASSEMBLIES

- **12/2/2019** – The Kingsway Scholastics will be traveling to the Wells Fargo Center.
- **12/3, 12/10, 12/17, 1/17, 1/14, 1/21 and 1/28/2020** – The STEP students will be traveling to Cinder Restaurant.

- **12/3/2019** – The STEP group will be traveling to Target and Chick-Fil-A.
- **12/4/2019** – The STEP students will be traveling to Target and Chick-Fil-A.
- **12/11/2019** - The STEP student will be traveling to the Deptford Mall and Chick-Fil-A.
- **12/12/2019** – The SURE group will be traveling to Family Promise of Gloucester County.
- **12/16/2019** – The Student Council will be traveling to the State office meeting.
- **12/19/2019** – The Gospel Choir will be traveling to the Mullica Hill Parish Center.
- **1/14/2020** – The BLA students will be traveling to Villanova University School of Business.
- **1/28/2020** – The STEP group will be traveling to Shoprite.
- **2/13/2020** – The Jazz Ensemble will be traveling to Rowan University.
- **3/10/2020** – The STEP student will be traveling to the Rowan Planetarium.
- **4/2/2020** – The SURE group will be traveling to a competition and awards ceremony.
- **4/15/2020** – The Senior Chorus and Gospel Choir will be traveling to New York City.

RESEARCH PROJECT

- None

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:

- Nursing Services Plan 2019-2020 School Year

AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

The Board approved the following awards and scholarships:

- The Scrabbler Award

FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENTS

- None

OUT OF DISTRICT PLACEMENT

- Various placements were approved

EMERGENCY DRILLS/CALLS

School/Date	Time	Drill
MS 10/03/2019	Start: 08:30 AM End: 09:30 AM	Stage 2 evacuation and alternate evacuation drill
MS 10/18/2019	Start: 09:15 AM End: 09:28 AM	Precautionary Lockdown
MS 10/21/2019	Start: 02:02 PM End: 02:10 PM	Fire Drill
HS/MS 10/16/2019	Start: 07:00 AM	Bus Emergency Evacuation Drill
HS 10/17/2019	Start: 01:45 PM End: 01:50 PM	Fire drill
HS 10/31/2019	Start: 08:15 AM End: 08:45 PM	Active Shooter Tabletop

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 October 2019.
- **Grant Application.** The Board authorized the application for the Pet in the Classroom Grant.
- **Transportation Jointure with Cherry Hill Public School District.** The Board approved a transportation jointure with the Cherry Hill Public School District.

- **Corrective Action Plan.** The Board adopted a corrective action plan in relation to the food service procurement audit conducted by PKF O'Connor Davies.
- **South Harrison Township IT Shared Services Agreement.** The Board approved a shared services contract to provide information technology management services to South Harrison Township.
- **[2020-2021 School Calendar.](#)** The Board approved the 2020-2021 school calendar.
- **Settlement Agreement and General Release.** The Board approved a settlement agreement and general release.

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 for/mal 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 19, 2019 in the Cafeteria East and begins at 7:00 p.m.