

# 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 August 17, 2021 and August 26, 2021.***

### ***ENROLLMENT as of June 30, 2021***

High School	1784
Middle School	1025
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2809</b>

### **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

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

- Adoption of BOE 12-Month Calendar
- BOE Goals
- Personnel Update
- BOE Meeting Proposed Change to start time 6:30 p.m.

### **PRESENTATIONS:**

- None

### **PERSONNEL**

#### **District Employment**

- Appointments:
  - Ryan Hoskinson (Custodian)
  - Nancy Moore-Gregal (Transportation Secretary)
  - Charae Whetstone (Instructional Supervisor Special Education & Visual/Performing Arts)
- Resignation:
  - Kathryn Fransko (Instructional Supervisor)
  - Susan Williams (Literacy Coach)
- Retirement:
  - None
- Schedule "B":
  - Various positions were approved.
- Leaves of Absence:
  - None

#### **High School Employment**

- Appointments:
  - Lauren Angarola (Teacher of Social Studies)
  - James Hasegawa (Teacher of English)
  - Carmen Buccheri (Teacher of Math)
  - Christine Schafer (Paraprofessional)
  - Julianne Spitalieri (Teacher of English)
  - Sharon Foth (Paraprofessional transfer from High School to Middle School)
  - Ann Kemner (Substitute Cafeteria Worker)
  - Steve Carver (Special Education Teacher)
- Resignation/Rescinded Appointment:
  - Samantha Simpson (Special Education Teacher)
  - Alexandra Duca (Italian Teacher)
  - Jessica Beal (Math Teacher)
  - Antwine Perez (Paraprofessional)
  - Skyler Lindsey (Rescinded Dive Coach)
  - Shane Tubb (Rescinded Swim Coach)
- Schedule "B":
  - Various positions were approved.

- Leaves of Absence:
  - Rebecca Popp (ELA Teacher)
  - Employee 4269 (Teacher)

**Middle School Employment**

- Appointments:
  - Michelle Neigut (LTS Teacher of Special Education)
  - Jennifer Earley (Secretary to Guidance/CST/Health Office)
- Resignation/Rescinded Appointment:
  - Victoria Battelini (Special Education Teacher)
  - Kimberly Schmirsky (Rescinded position Secretary to Guidance/CST/Health)
  - Lauren Kerr (Special Education Teacher)
- Schedule "B":
  - Various positions were approved.
- Leaves of Absence:
  - Sharon Young (Paraprofessional)

**FIELD/ TRIPS/ASSEMBLIES**

- **8/19/2021.** The Girls Tennis Team will have a tennis scrimmage in Ocean City, NJ.
- **8/31/2021.** The Boys Soccer Team will have a soccer scrimmage in Ocean City, NJ.
- **9/3/2021.** The Varsity Football Team will host fan busses to travel to Rutgers University for Kingsway's Rumble at the Raritan Football Game.
- **9/7/2021 - 1/28/2021.** The STEP Program will have Structured Learning Experience (SLE) Trips to Acme, Petals & Paints, Rosie's Farm Market and Cinder Bar.
- **10/5/2021.** The Boys Soccer Team will have a soccer game in Chester, PA.
- **6/16/2022.** The Class of 2022 will travel to Six Flags, Great Adventure in Jackson, NJ for their Senior Day Class Trip.

**FUNDRAISERS**

- **9/1/2021 to 9/15/2021.** The HS Field Hockey Team will sell gourmet popcorn to raise funds for Bownet goals, warmup shirts, banquet and senior gifts and game.

- **9/2/2021 to 10/16/2021.** The Class of 2022 will sell homecoming T-Shirts to raise funds for the 2022 Senior Prom.
- **8/23/2021 to 9/3/2021.** The Girl's Volleyball Team will sell cookie dough to raise funds for their team banquet, senior gifts, warmups and sweatshirts.
- **10/12/2021 to 10/15/2021.** The MS Reading Incentive Program will have a Scholastic Book Fair to raise funds for their field trip to Hershey Park.
- **10/17/2021 to 10/21/2021.** The MS Renaissance Program will raise funds for program activities at a Dine & Donate event at The Village Pub in Swedesboro, NJ.
- **12/6/2021 to 12/10/2021.** The MS VP Advisory Committee will host a toy donation drive to collect toys for Toys for Tots.
- **12/8/2021 to 12/22/2021.** The HS Business Club will host a Dodgeball Tournament and sell pretzels and water during the event to raise funds for DECA Registration fees.
- **12/23/2021.** The Dragons Helping Dragons Program will have a Staff only dress down day.
- **6/1/2022.** The Dragons Helping Dragons Program will sell pretzels and water at the MS Band Concert.
- **6/9/2022.** The Dragons Helping Dragons Program will sell pretzels and water at the MS Chorus Concert.

**EMERGENCY DRILLS/CALLS**

School/ Date	Time	Drill
MS 07/26/2021	Start: 10:36 AM End: 10:55 AM	Evacuation Drill
MS 07/28/2021	Start: 10:15 AM End: 10:18 AM	Fire Alarm Testing
HS 07/26/2021	Start: 10:35 AM End: 10:55 AM	Evacuation Drill
HS 07/28/2021	Start: 08:55 AM End: 09:57 AM	Fire 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:

- Fall 2021 Athletic Schedule
- Fall 2021 Marching Band Schedule

**PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

The Board approved the following Professional Development Plans and Teacher Mentor Program:

- District Professional Development Plan
- High School Professional Development Plan
- Middle School Professional Development Plan
- Teacher Mentor Program

**PROFESSIONAL LEARNING WORKSHOPS**

- **9/7/2021** – MAP Work Session for Proctors; HS Seminar Room 217 & Live Stream.

**HANDBOOKS**

The Board approved the following handbooks:

- KRHS Student Handbook 2021-2022
- KRMS Student Handbook 2021-2022
- Athletic Coaches Handbook 2021-2022
- Athletic Handbook Parents-Athletes 2021-2022

**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 July 31, 2021.

- **Interview for Vacant Board Seat.** The Board accepted applications for the vacant Board of Education Seat and interviewed applicant, Christopher Fay.
- **Appointment of Board of Education Member.** The Board appointed Christopher Fay for the vacant seat that expires on January 5, 2022.
- **ARP IDEA BASIC Grant Acceptance and Submission.** The Board authorized acceptance of and submission of a grant application for federal funds.
- **Swedesboro/Woolwich ESY Transportation Jointure.** The Board approved the 2021 ESY transportation jointure with Swedesboro-Woolwich Board of Education.
- **To/From Transportation Bid Award.** The Board awarded To/From Transportation Routes to Holcomb.
- **Parental Transportation Contract 2021-2022.** The Board approved a parental transportation contract for the 2021-2022 school year.
- **Donation.** The Board accepted a donation from the Gloucester Township Lowes for hand sanitizer, sanitizing wipes, all-purpose cleaner and desk shields.

**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 30, 2021 In Person in the High School East Cafeteria; or by [Zoom Conference](#) and begins at 6:30 p.m.