

March 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 South Harrison Township Elementary School District Board of Education regular meeting held on March 17th.

ENROLLMENT as of February 27, 2015

RESIDENT STUDENTS	359
CHOICE STUDENTS	25
TOTAL	384

PRESENTATIONS

- (None)

CORRESPONDENCE

- Letter approving SEMI Waiver.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

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

- PARCC Update – 22 test refusals
- 2015-2016 Tentative Budget
- GCSSD Safety Award Received for \$1,000
- Board Meetings - Change start to 7:00 p.m.

ATTENDANCE SUMMARY

2014-2015 Monthly Average % of Students in Attendance for December through February:

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Grade Level	Dec %	Jan %	Feb %	2014-2015 Current YTD Average %
Pre-K 3	99.00	98.0	95.0	97.0
Pre-K 4	97.00	96.0	97.0	81.0
K	93.00	97.0	94.0	92.2
Average PreK & K	96.33	97.0	95.3	90.1
1	96.00	96.0	95.0	95.5
2	97.00	97.0	94.0	95.0
3	95.00	96.0	93.0	95.8
4	96.00	96.0	94.0	95.8
5	96.00	96.0	95.0	94.7
6	96.00	95.0	95.0	94.5
Average 1 - 6	96.00	96.0	94.3	95.2
Overall District Average	96.2	96.5	94.8	92.6

PERSONNEL

District Employment

- Leave of Absence:
 - Tina McDonnell, Paraprofessional return date changed to 3/9/15
- Substitute(s):
 - Barbara Buchenhorst (Nurse)

FIELD TRIPS

- **Franklin Institute** – 57 3rd grade students, along with 4 chaperones and 11 parents,

will be visiting the Franklin Institute in Philadelphia, PA on April 24th.

Wednesday evenings from 6:00pm – 8:00pm from 3/11/15 – 3/25/15.

EMERGENCY DRILLS/CALLS

- **2/25/15 – Fire Drill.** Begin time: 2:50 p.m., end time: 2:55 p.m.
- **2/27/15 – Precautionary Lockdown Drill.** Begin time: 2:35 p.m., end time: 2:45 p.m.

PROGRAMS/OTHER

The Board approved the following programs:

- The Board approved the tentative budget for the 2015-2016 School Year per Resolution 2-2014-2015.
- The Board approved an agreement to purchase natural gas services through the Alliance for Competitive Energy Services (ACES) from Direct Energy Business beginning in March 2015 for a 21 month term.
- The Board approved to submit an application to the County Office of Education to modify the current 3-year-old pre-school handicapped program to become an inclusive pre-school program.

POLICY

- The following policies were presented to the Board for first reading/introduction:
 - (None)
- The following policies were presented to the Board for a second reading/adoption:
 - (None)

BUSINESS, FACILITIES & FINANCE

- The Board approved the Board Secretary's Report and Bill List for January 2015.
- **Use of Facilities.** The following facility requests were approved by the Board:
 - South Harrison Little League will be using the facility for practice on

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 meeting of the Board is scheduled for **Tuesday, April 28, 2015**, in the South Harrison Elementary School library and begins at 7:00 p.m.