

September 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 September 23rd.

ENROLLMENT as of September 19, 2014

RESIDENT STUDENTS	348
CHOICE STUDENTS	27
TOTAL	375

PRESENTATIONS

- New Teacher Introductions – Mr. Mumbower

CORRESPONDENCE

- None

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

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

- Negotiations
- Personnel
- Legal
- Individual Privacy
- Security
- Investment/Property Acquisition
- Contract Litigation or Negotiations
- October Board Meeting
- NJSBA Workshop

PERSONNEL

District Employment

- Administration: (None)
- Certificated Staff: (None)
- Non-Certificated Staff: (None)
- Leave of Absence: Brittany Goldstein, Special Ed. (medical); Linda Davis, Music Teacher (medical); Melissa Fardella, Grade 2 Teacher (extension of maternity leave).
- Long-Term Substitute(s): Tonya Foster (LTS-Special Ed.)
- Substitute(s): (None)
- Homebound Instructor: (None)
- Retirement(s): (None)
- Resignation(s): (None)
- Curriculum Lead Person: The Board approved the following teacher(s) to be a Curriculum Lead Person from 9/1/14 – 6/30/15 for a \$1,333.00 stipend:
 - Robert Rosenheim (Grades 3-6)
 - Gail Bram (Special Areas)
- Volunteer(s): (None)

FIELD TRIPS

- **10/14/14 – Stewart Park**. The Board approved a 4th grade field trip to Stewart Park at no cost to the BOE. There will be 62

students, 24 teachers/chaperones, and it will be a walking trip.

EMERGENCY DRILLS/CALLS

- **9/17/14 – Gas Leak Evacuation.** Stage 1 Evacuation drill was initiated due to a puncture of a gas line from 2:30-2:35pm. Stage 2 was initiated at 2:45-3:00pm. Students were dismissed at 3:22pm to busses and parent pick-up. At 3:30pm the building was clear and the Y program returned to the building.

PROGRAMS/OTHER

- **2014-2015 District Challenges & Superintendent/Board Goals.** The Board approved the KRSD and South Harrison 2014-2015 District Challenges & Superintendent Goals.
- **East Greenwich Twp. BOE 2014-2015 ESY Program.** The Board approved a contract with Greenwich Township BOE for their 2014-2015 ESY Program for two students at a cost of \$3,000.00 (\$1,500.00 each student).
- **East Greenwich Twp. BOE 2014-2015 Out of District Program.** The Board approved a contract with Greenwich Township BOE for their 2014-2015 Out of District Program for two students at a cost \$66,000.00 (\$33,000.00 each student).
- **2014-2015 Rural Education Achievement Program Grant.** The Board approved the Rural Education Achievement Program Grant for the 2014-2015 school year in the amount of \$31,759.00.
- **School Self-Assessment for Determining Grades under the Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act Report.** The Board approved the submission of the School Self-Assessment for Determining Grades Under the Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act Report.
- **2014-2015 Logan Township School District Special Education Tuition Contract.** The Board approved the special education tuition contract with Logan Township School District for one student for the 2014-

2015 school year. (Regular School Year Tuition is \$16,395.00, 1:1 Aide cost is \$26,085.00 for a total cost of \$42,480.00).

- **2014-2015 Curriculum Adoption.** The Board approved the Math and ELA curriculums for Grades K-6.
- **2014-2015 Child Nutrition Program Consolidation Agreement.** The Board approved a child nutrition program consolidation agreement with the Kingsway Regional School District for the 2014-2015 school year.
- **Playground Upgrades Project.** The Board approved Change Order #1 for the Playground Upgrades Project in the amount of \$8,555.00 increasing the original contract amount (\$257,450.00) to \$266,005.00 (3.32% of the original contract budget).

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:

Policy Alert No. 202

Policy 0141 – Board Member Number and Term (Revised)

Policy 0143 – Board Member Election and Appointment (Revised)

Policy 1581 – Victim of Domestic or Sexual Violence Leave (M) (New)

Policy 3125 – Employment of Teaching Staff Members (M) (Revised)

Policy 3230 – Outside Activities (Revised)

Policy 3240 – Professional

Development for Teachers and School Leaders (M) (Revised)

Regulation 3240 – Professional

Development for Teachers and School Leaders (Revised)

Policy 4125 – Employment of Support Staff Members (M) (Revised)

Policy 4230 – Outside Activities

(Revised)
 Policy 6511 – Direct Deposit (New)
 Policy 8507 – Breakfast Offer Versus Serve (OVS) (NEW)
 Policy 8508 – Lunch Offer Versus Serve (OVS) (New)

Policy Alert No. 203

Policy and Regulation 2412 – Home Instruction Due to Health Condition (M) (Revised)
 Policy and Regulation 2417 – Student Intervention and Referral Services (M) (Revised)
 Policy and Regulation 2481 – Home or Out-of-School Instruction for a General Education Student for Reasons Other Than a Temporary or Chronic Health Condition (M) (Revised)
 Policy 3283 – Electronic Communications Between Teaching Staff Members and Students (M) (New)
 Policy 4283 – Electronic Communications Between Support Staff Members and Students (M) (New)
 Policy and Regulation 5200 – Attendance (M) (Revised)
 Policy and Regulation 5610 – Suspension (M) (Revised)
 Policy and Regulation 5611 – Removal of Students for Firearms Offenses (M) (Revised)
 Policy 5612 – Assaults on District Board of Education Members or Employees (M) (Revised)
 Regulation 5612 – Assaults on District Board of Education Members or Employees (M) (New)
 Policy and Regulation 5613 – Removal of Students for Assaults with Weapons Offenses (M) (New)
 Policy 5620 – Expulsion (Revised)
 Policy and Regulation 8462 – Reporting Potentially Missing or Abused Children (M) (Revised)

- The Board approved the Board Secretary's Report and Bill List for September 2014.
- **Use of Facilities.** The following facility requests were approved by the Board:
 - South Harrison Home & School Assembly (September 26th 9:00am – 11:30am).
 - South Harrison Soccer Club Training/Practice (Tuesdays at 6:00pm – 8:00pm from November – March).

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, October 21, 2014**, in the South Harrison Elementary School library and begins at 7:30 p.m.

BUSINESS, FACILITIES & FINANCE