

## 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 South Harrison Township Elementary School District Board of Education regular meeting held on August 22<sup>nd</sup>.**

#### **ENROLLMENT as of July 31, 2016**

<b>RESIDENT STUDENTS</b>	<b>352</b>
<b>CHOICE STUDENTS</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>379</b>

#### **PRESENTATIONS**

- BOE Goal Setting, Terry Lewis, NJSBA

#### **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

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

- None

#### **ATTENDANCE SUMMARY**

*2015-2016 Monthly Average % of Students in Attendance for June:*

2015 - 2016 Monthly Average % of Students in Attendance			
Grade Level	June %	2015-2016 Current YTD Average %	2014-2015 Overall Average %
Pre-K 3	97.1	93.3	96.5
Pre-K 4	95.9	96.3	94.8
K	95.5	96.7	95.2
Average Pre-K & K	93.5	95.5	95.5
1	94.4	96.9	96.0
2	97.3	96.6	96.5
3	95.9	96.4	95.6
4	97.5	96.5	95.7
5	94.8	96.9	95.7
6	97.7	97.2	96.6
Average 1 - 6	96.3	96.7	96.0
Overall District Average	96.2	96.6	95.9

#### **PERSONNEL**

##### ***South Harrison Employment***

- Curriculum Writing
  - Jessica Cardella (World Language Curriculum Writing)
- Certified Staff:
  - Heather Derechinsky (Part-time Teacher of special education)
- Change of Status:
  - Krista Travaglini (World Language Curriculum Writing)

- Michele LaMalfa (6<sup>th</sup> Grade Math Teacher)
- Nicole Eschenbach (2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Teacher)
- After School Clubs, Activities, & Leadership Positions:
  - Gail Bram (Newspaper Club Advisor)
  - Kathryn Tranz (Newspaper Club Advisor)
  - Gail Bram (Student Council Advisor)
  - Tim Narcisi (Student Council Advisor)
  - Amanda Grabas (Fuel Up to Play 60 Club Advisor)
  - Michele LaMalfa (Fuel Up to Play 60 Club Advisor)
  - Stephanie Williams (Art Club Advisor)
  - Jennifer Smith (Battle of the Books Club Advisor)
  - Michele LaMalfa (Play Director)
  - Carolyn Olsen ( Play Director)
  - Linda Davis (Musical Director)
  - Jennifer Mathis (Fundraiser Coordinator)
  - Jane Conroy (Grade Level Chair)
  - Shari Crouch (Grade Level Chair)
  - Sam Michielli (Grade Level Chair)
  - Courtney Haslam (Head Teacher)
  - Carolyn Olsen (Detention Monitor)
  - Shari Crouch (Chorus Accompanist)
  - Tim Narcisi (Stokes Coordinator)

**FUNDRAISER(S):**

- None

**FIELD TRIP(S):**

- None

**EMERGENCY DRILLS/CALLS**

School / Date	Time	Drill Description
06/14/2016	Begin: 02:50 PM End: 02:53 PM	Fire Drill
06/21/2016	Begin: 09:58 AM End: 10:01 AM	Precautionary Lockdown (Staff)
06/27/2016	Begin: 03:20 PM End: 03:23 PM	Shelter in Place

**PROGRAMS**

- Mad Science – STEM Enrichment class/After School Program

**Policy**

- First Reading - Policy 5830 – Pupil Fundraising

**BUSINESS, FACILITIES & FINANCE**

- The Board approved the Board Secretary's Report and Bill List.
- **Comprehensive Equity Plan 2015-2018.** The Board approved the Comprehensive Equity Plan for 2015-2018 as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.
- **Commission for the Blind.** The Board approved the commission for the blind.

Level of Service	Cost	Dates
1	\$1,900	2016-2017 School Year

- **Out of District Placement – Ten Month Contract & ESY.** The Board approved the following:

Location	Tuition	Dates
Bankbridge Elementary	\$34,920 \$4,060 (ESY)	9/8/16-6/14/17 7/11/16-8/11/16
Pilot School	\$27,800	9/7/16-6/28/17
Mantua Twp.	\$23,000	9/8/16-6/13/17
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- **2016 – 2017 Student Handbooks.** The Board approved the 2016 – 2017 Student Handbook as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.
- **2016 - 2017 Gifted and Talented, Response to Intervention, and Intervention and Referral Services Parent Handbook.** The Board approved the 2016 - 2017 Gifted and Talented, Response to Intervention, and Intervention and Referral Services Parent Handbook.
- **Contract for Services with Gloucester County Special School District.** The Board approved the following contract for services with Gloucester County Special Services School District.

Service	Annual Cost
Social Work	\$18,330
Speech Therapist	\$97,000
Physical Therapist	\$34,000

- **Professional Services Contract with Kate Guzzetti for OT Services.** The Board approved the contract with Kate Guzzetti for Occupational Therapist Service from July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017 at a cost of \$7,500 for student services and report writing and at a cost of \$225.00 per student evaluation.
- **Transportation Jointure – Harrison Township School District.** The Board approved a transportation jointure with Harrison Township School District to transport students to and from school as follows:

Route	Annual Cost
SH-1	\$44,000
SHESY-1	\$5,200

- **2016 – 2017 Transportation Route Renewals.** The Board approved the transportation route renewal contracts for the 2016 – 2017 school year.
- **Fixed Asset Disposal.** The Board approved the fixed assets.

#### 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 Board meeting is scheduled for **Monday, September 19, 2016**, in the South Harrison Elementary School cafeteria and begins at 7:00 p.m.