

January 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 January 25th.

ENROLLMENT as of December 31, 2015

RESIDENT STUDENTS	258
CHOICE STUDENTS	27
TOTAL	385

PRESENTATIONS

- Mrs. Calandro and Robert Rosenheim, Curriculum/Testing Update and School Performance Data
- Mike Holt, CAFR Review

STAFF RECOGNITION

- Teacher of the year
 - Amanda Grabas

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

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

- 2016 – 2017 School Calendar
- Board Leadership
- Cooling Tower Update
- Transportation Policy
- Dr. Barker School Doctor
- Stokes Fundraising Update

ATTENDANCE SUMMARY

2015-2016 Monthly Average % of Students in Attendance for November and December:

2015 - 2016 Monthly Average % of Students in Attendance				
Grade Level	Nov %	Dec %	2015-2016 Current YTD Average %	2014-2015 Overall Average %
Pre-K 3	87.2	95.8	91.5	96.5
Pre-K 4	95.4	92.4	93.9	94.8
K	97.3	95.7	96.5	95.2
Average Pre-K & K	93.3	94.6	94.0	95.5
1	97.5	93.6	95.6	96.0
2	95.6	91.1	93.4	96.5
3	96.9	95.6	96.3	95.6
4	95.5	93.6	94.6	95.7
5	96.5	93.1	94.8	95.7
6	96.9	95.7	96.3	96.6
Average 1 - 6	96.5	93.8	95.1	96.0
Overall District Average	96.4	94.0	95.2	95.9

PERSONNEL***South Harrison Employment***

- Resignation:
 - Christina Brown (PT World Cultures Teacher, World Cultures Curriculum Writer)
- Medical Leave:
 - Carolyn Olsen, Ratify & Affirm (5th/6th Grade Social Studies Teacher, 12/14/2015 to 12/23/2015)
 - Linda Davis (Music Teacher, 02/08/2016 to 03/09/2016)
- Fundraiser(s):
 - **1/23/16 Rain Date 1/24/16 Home and School Organization.** The Home and School Organization will hold a lip sync event to support school expenditures.
 - **2/5/16 STOKES.** STOKES will hold a Daddy/Daughter dance to support the 6th grade activity account.
- Field Trips(s):
 - **2/10/16 and 2/11/16** – The Kindergarten classes will be going to Harrisonville Post Office to observe how the mail is processed.

EMERGENCY DRILLS/CALLS

School / Date	Time	Drill Description
11/13/2015	Begin: 02:05 PM End: 02:08 PM	Fire Drill
11/25/2015	Begin: 02:47 PM End: 03:00 PM	Code Blue Drill
12/11/2015	Begin: 02:47 PM End: 02:52 PM	Fire Drill
12/22/2015	Begin: 03:10 PM End: 03:14 PM	Precautionary Lockdown

BUSINESS, FACILITIES & FINANCE

- The Board approved the Board Secretary's Report and Bill List for November and December 2015
- The Board approved the 2016 – 2017 school calendar.
- The Board approved the agreement with FURever As Friends, Inc. for the FURever as Friends S.M.I.L.E Program beginning January 2016 and ending June 30, 2016 at a cost of \$120.00
- The Board approved Dr. Emily Perlis, PsyD to provide neurological evaluations at an anticipated cost of \$1,000.00.
- The Board approved the agreement with Inspira Medical Group PC for Dr. William Barker to be the school physician per fee schedule on file in the business office.
- The Board approved the CRESS agreement with Gloucester County Special Services School District for the following services and costs:
 - Auxiliary Speech-Lang \$92,520.00
 - Physical Therapy \$23,904.00
 - Auxiliary Social Work \$16,450.00
 - Educational Consultation Services (Behavior) \$11,988.00
- The Board approved an Interlocal Service Agreement for GCA Custodial Services with Pittsgrove Township Public School District beginning January 1, 2016 through June 30, 2016 at a cost of \$78,067.99.
- The Board approved Barclay Group as Insurance Broker for the period beginning January 1, 2016 through June 30, 2016.
- The Board accepted the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report ("CAFR") for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015 and related documents for submission to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools.

- The Board approved a list of stale dated checks to be voided.
- The Board approved change orders from Falasca Mechanical for the Cooling Tower Project.

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 **Monday, February 22, 2016**, in the South Harrison Elementary School cafeteria and begins at 7:00 p.m.