

January Board Brief



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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.

The Board of Education began the meeting with a moment of silence, in remembrance of paraprofessional Denise Menold.

Highlights from the South Harrison Township Elementary School District Board of Education regular meeting held on January 22nd.

ENROLLMENT as of December 31, 2017

| | |
|--------------------------|------------|
| RESIDENT STUDENTS | 337 |
| CHOICE STUDENTS | 24 |
| TOTAL | 361 |

Presentations

- Teacher of the Year – Jane Conroy (2nd Grade Special Ed Teacher), Dr. Lavender
- G&T Enrichment, Mrs. Mesmer

| Spotlight Students | |
|--------------------|--------------------|
| November 2017 | |
| 1 st | Reese Emmett |
| 2 nd | Tegan McLeer |
| 3 rd | Enrique Torres |
| 4 th | Gabriella Scaffidi |
| 5 th | Kyle Nordone |
| 6 th | Rudy Tighe |

| Spotlight Students | |
|--------------------|-----------------|
| December 2017 | |
| 1 st | Dakota Budney |
| 2 nd | Talia Pacitti |
| 3 rd | Halle Dolce |
| 4 th | Mackenzie Barry |
| 5 th | Yael Hernandez |
| 6 th | Brendan McShea |

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

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

- School Funding Litigation
- School Funding

ATTENDANCE SUMMARY

2017-2018 Monthly Average % of Students in Attendance for December 2017:

| 2017 - 2018 Monthly Average % of Students in Attendance | | | |
|---|-------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Grade Level | Dec % | 2017-2018 Current YTD Average % | 2016-2017 Overall Average % |
| Pre-K 3 | 92.6 | 96.0 | 91.2 |
| Pre-K 4 | 88.5 | 93.0 | 93.6 |
| K | 89.3 | 92.9 | 93.0 |
| Average Pre-K & K | 90.1 | 94.0 | 92.6 |
| 1 | 97.3 | 96.9 | 92.2 |
| 2 | 95.2 | 96.9 | 93.4 |
| 3 | 95.0 | 97.4 | 94.4 |

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|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| 4 | 96.6 | 97.5 | 96.7 |
| 5 | 96.9 | 97.3 | 95.9 |
| 6 | 94.2 | 96.7 | 95.4 |
| Average 1 - 6 | 95.9 | 97.1 | 94.7 |
| Overall District Average | 93.0 | 95.5 | 93.7 |

PERSONNEL

South Harrison Employment

- Internship:
 - Meghan Treiber (Occupational Therapy, Kate Guzzetti, 01/26/2018 to 06/30/2018)

FUNDRAISERS

- None

FIELD TRIPS/ASSEMBLIES

- **04/02/2018 to 04/06/2018** – The 6th Grade class will be traveling to the STOKE School of Conservation.
- **2/8/2018 and 2/9/2018** – The Kindergarten class is traveling to the Harrisonville Post Office.

RESEARCH PROJECTS

- None

EMERGENCY DRILLS/CALLS

| School / Date | Time | Drill Description |
|---------------|----------------------------------|------------------------|
| 12/19/2017 | Start: 10:47 AM End: 10:50 AM | Fire Drill |
| 12/20/2017 | Start: 01:40 PM End: 01:45 PM | Shelter in Place 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

- None

BUSINESS, FACILITIES & FINANCE

- **The Board approved the Board Secretary's Report and Bill List.**
- **Student Activity Financial Report.** The Board approved the Student Activity Financial Report as of December 31, 2017
- **Professional Services Agreement for CRESS.** The Board approved an agreement with Gloucester County Special Services School District for the following services through CRESS
 - PTA - \$16,848.00
 - Physical Therapy - \$25,704.00
 - Auxiliary Speech Language - \$93,420.00
 - Auxiliary Social Work - \$16,625.00
- **Special Olympics Grant.** The Board accepted a \$833.33 grant from Special Olympics UNIFY to be used to promote inclusive sports activities for the 2017-2018 school year.
- **Board Officials.** The Board appointed Corrinne Mesmer as the District School Safety Specialist for the 2017-2018 school year.
- **2018-2019 School Calendar.** The Board approved the [2018-2019 school calendar](#).
- **S4Teacher Addendum.** The Board approved an addendum to the Source for Teachers Agreement to increase the substitute Cafeteria/Playground Aide rate to the following:
 - Pay Rate \$8.60
 - Bill Rate \$11.61

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 for the Board is scheduled for **Monday, February 20, 2018**, in the South Harrison Elementary School cafeteria and begins at 7:00 p.m.