

Board BriefsDecember 12, 2023

The following information contains highlights from the December 12, 2023, Readington Board of Education meeting. Please check the district website on or about January 24, 2024, for complete minutes.

Superintendent Report

Dr. Hart introduced Mr. Timothy Charleston/RMS-Prinicpal, and Ms. Ellen Goodfellow/RMS-School Counselor. Mr. Charleston and Ms. Goodfellow shared an update on the RMS Therapy Dog Program. Dr. Hart shared an update on the Preschool Program due to open on January 2, 2024. Dr. Hart recognized Carol Hample and Jodi Bettermann for their years as Board of Education members.

Administrative Reports

- The November Enrollment Drill Report was approved.
- The RMS Quarterly Discipline Report was approved.
- The School Safety System Submission Report for the period of January June 2023 was approved.
- The updated ARP Safe Return Plan was approved.
- One HIB report and the Superintendent's decision were accepted and affirmed.
- The Quality Single Accountability Continuum (QSAC) self-assessment for submission to the New Jersey Department of Education was approved.

Finance/Facilities

- The district bill list was approved.
- The district travel schedule was approved.
- The shared services agreement with HTSD Communications Consortium for the 2023-2024 school year was approved.

Education/Technology

 The Creative Curriculum and Tools of The Mind Curriculum (at Whitehouse Prep only) as the NJ Department of Education approved curricula for preschool during the 2023-2024 school year was approved.

- One additional field trip for the 2023-2024 school year was approved.
- One additional YMCA after school club for the 2023-2024 school year was approved.

Personnel

- Substitute recommendations and ratification were approved.
- The following appointments were ratified and approved: Jennifer Mooney/Preschool Relief Teacher and Katie DaQuisto/Preschool Coach.
- The following appointments were approved: Bonnie Farber/WHS-Preschool Aide, Leigh-Ann Borella/BOE-CST Secretary, Maria Kurowski/WHS-Preschool Teacher, Danielle Grasso/TBS-Aide, Michele Adamitis/RMS-Clerical Aide, Jennifer Peist/TBS-Clerical Aide, Michael Deitrick/BOE-Maintenance Mechanic.
- A special skills stipend was approved for Danielle Grasso.
- Sheri Simonetti was approved for additional facilitation hours during the Fall Teacher Academy Program.
- An appointment amendment was approved for Matthew Mandracchia.
- An appointment amendment was approved for Emma Lieberman.
- Colleen Ogden was approved as the Summer Enrichment Coordinator for the Summer of 2024.
- Hours and salary were ratified and approved for Melissa Flannery.
- Michelle Hodge was approved temporarily as Wrestling Assistant Coach.
- Bruno Somma was approved temporarily as RMS Team Leader.
- Position control changes were approved.
- The following resignations were approved: Thomas Duda/BOE-Maintenance Mechanic and Matthew Mandracchia/WHS-TBS LTS PE Teacher.

Communications

- Two policies for second reading and four policies for first reading were approved.
- Two policies were abolished.
- The revised school hours to include preschool for the 2023-2024 school year were approved.

The next Board of Education Re-organizational meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 2, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. to be held in person in the Board Conference Room in the Board of Education office wing of Holland Brook School. To join via YouTube, please <u>click here</u>. Please review the agenda that will be posted on December 22, 2023.

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