

# BOARD BRIEFS APRIL 28, 2015

The following information contains highlights from the April 28, 2015 Readington Board of Education meeting. For complete minutes from this meeting, please check the district website on or about May 13, 2015.

# **Superintendent's Report**

- Dr. Sargent reported that Christiane Darby will accompany seven RMS students to the NJ Junior High Honors Chorus performance this Saturday at J.P. Case Middle School.
- ◆ Students from HBS and RMS presented their original works which were submitted to *The Artist's Corner*, a new program developed by G&T teachers Filomena Hengst and Emily Bengels (click here for video).
- Emily Bengels presented *Auschwitz: The Past is Present* based on her recent educational trip to Poland for the 70th anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz (<u>click here</u> for slide presentation).
- Dr. Sargent reported that TBS Principal Kristen Higgins wrote an article about the school's sustainable program, which was published in the latest edition of the NJ School Board's Journal.
- Dr. Sargent reported that April is Autism Awareness Month, an opportunity to celebrate the children in our schools with autism spectrum disorder, their teachers, and their families.

#### **Board Hearing and Budget Adoption**

A resolution adopting the 2015-2016 budget was approved.

#### Finance/Facilities

- The contract with Temco Building Maintenance, Inc. was renewed for the period July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016.
- Holiday schedules for Custodians/Maintenance, Secretaries, Administrators, and Technology Staff were approved for the 2015-2016 school year.
- The district's dental insurance plan with Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield of New Jersey was renewed.

### **Education/Technology**

- ◆ The donation of nine boxes of school supplies from Walmart was accepted for district use.
- The HBS Destination Imagination field trip to the DI Global Finals in Knoxville, TN was approved.
- Eleven novels were approved for various grade levels.
- A fundraiser at RMS was approved to benefit the Harms family.

## <u>Personnel</u>

- ◆ The following personnel appointments were affirmed: Alyce Quinlan, Christina Potter, Nicole Morelli, and Lauren Rittenhouse as long-term replacement teachers; and Dina Innocenti as a temporary replacement aide.
- Various chaperones were approved for the RMS overnight trip to Washington, D.C. and for various special events.
- Summer Sports Academy Coaches were approved.
- The retirement of Chester Schultz (Maintenance Mechanic) was accepted.
- ♦ Various staff members were approved for the Summer 2015 Extended School Year Program.
- The resignation of Erik Yates (Supervisor of Math, Science and Technology) was accepted.

#### **Communications**

Six policies and one regulation were accepted for second reading and adopted.

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The next Board of Education meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 12, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at Three Bridges School. Please review the agenda that will be posted on Friday, May 8, 2015, and consider attending.