

Board Briefs January 21, 2020

The following information contains highlights from the January 21, 2020, Readington Board of Education meeting. For complete minutes, please check the district website on or about February 5, 2020.

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Hart introduced Mr. Paul Nigro, Holland Brook School Principal. Mr. Nigro shared an update on all the great things happening at Holland Brook School. Mrs. Barbara Pauley, School Counselor and two HBS students (pictured below) presented their program to the board. The students shared details on their sensory hallway which is used by students to have a place to go to calm down. Mrs. Pauley and the students lead the board members on a tour of the sensory hallway. Dr. Hart introduced Mrs. Karen Tucker, Supervisor of Pupil Services. Mrs. Tucker provided an update on the district's Student Safety Data System Report for the period of January - June 2019. Dr. Hart presented the 2020-2025 District Goals created by the Strategic Planning Team. Dr. Hart announced that the district with the support of the HSA will be hosting a viewing of the film *Screenagers* NEXT CHAPTER at the Readington Middle School Cafetorium on Tuesday, January 28, 2020, at 6:30 p.m.



HBS Student Presenters

(In Photo/left to right): Michael Hills and Paige Greenewald with Dr. Hart/Superintendent and Mr. Nigro/HBS Principal.

Administrative Reports

• The District Goals for 2020-2025 were approved.

Finance/Facilities

- The district bill list was approved.
- The district travel schedule was approved.

- The submission of a new district Long Range Facility Plan (LRFP) to the State of New Jersey DOE for other capital projects (TBS/Boiler Tank and District-Wide/IT Equipment Upgrades) was approved.
- A professional services contract with SSP Architects for the TBS Boiler project in the amount of \$38,000 and for fees not to exceed \$2,000 was approved.
- The Business Administrator was approved to solicit bids for Three Bridges School Boiler Project to commence in the 2020-2021 school year.

Education/Technology

- HSA grant in the amount of \$650 to be used for the Screenagers Licensing Fee was approved.
- The 2020-2021 Integrated Preschool Program tuition rate of \$400 per child per month with a Transportation option for an additional amount of \$100 per month per family was approved.
- Special Education Extended School Year Autism, LLD, Behavioral Disabilities, Extended Day Preschool, and Life Skills classes were approved to occur Monday through Thursday from 9:00 - 1:00 from July 6 -August 6, 2020.
- Special Education Extended School Year Literacy and Preschool Disabled programs were approved to occur Monday Thursday from 9:00 1:00 from July 6 July 30, 2020.
- Novels for 6th Grade and 7th Grade Honors were approved.
- Music (grades 3-5), Music (grades 6-8), and Spanish (grade 6) Curriculum were all approved.
- Valentine's Day Flower Sale fundraiser at RMS was approved.

Personnel

- The salaries of Jessica Weiss (WHS/Special Ed Aide) and Theresa Amster (RMS/Secretary to Assistant Principal were revised.
- The transfer of Joyce Field to TBS/FT Aide Preschool was approved.
- Rebecca Coburn was approved as RMS Musical Audio Technician.
- The following chaperones were appointed: Denise Hawkins/RMS-Drama Club, Michelle Johnson/ WHS-School Clubs.
- Jill Nabozny/TBS and Lori Yukniewicz/WHS were approved to lead the Science Fairs.
- Position control changes for the 2019-2020 school year were approved.
- Kevin Sanders was approved as the RMS Baseball Coach for the B Team.
- The following teachers were approved as mentors for the 2019-2020 school year: Shaina Mirsky (RMS-LA) and Lisa Moor (RMS-SS).
- An extended other leave was approved for employee #6547 until June 30, 2020.

Communications

- Five policies and three regulations were approved for second reading.
- Two policies and one regulation were approved for first reading.

Unfinished Business

• The Board Committees have been posted on the district website.

New Business

- Carol Hample provided an update from the HSA Business Meeting and shared several upcoming fundraising opportunities.
- The Board will be conducting tours of all four schools in the next few weeks.

The next Board of Education meeting is scheduled for February 4, 2020, at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Meeting Room at Holland Brook School. Please review the agenda that will be posted on Friday, January 31, 2020, and consider attending.