

OLD BRIDGE BOARD BRIEFS

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

August 22, 2017

IN MEMORIAM

THE BOARD

- acknowledged the death of Melissa Hill, vocational arts teacher, and expressed its deepest sympathies to her families and friends.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

SCHOOLS SUPERINTENDENT DAVID CITTADINO

- discussed summer accomplishments. He said Niche.com ranked Old Bridge the eighth Safest School District of 237 NJ Districts and the 31st Best Place to Teach of 237 NJ School districts.
- said all bargaining units have tentative or approved deals.
- said ESIP is on target with summer projects.
- said a massive district technology upgrade is in place.
- announced New Teacher Orientation and Summer Institute will be held Aug. 23, 24 and 25.
- announced the Administration and Supervisor Summer Retreat will take place Aug. 28-30.
- said staff members will return to work Sept. 5 and students will report for the first day of classes on Sept. 7.
- said "Holiday Knight", an event to benefit the Marisa Tufaro Foundation will be held Sept. 8 at Lombardi Field during the Old Bridge versus South Brunswick Varsity Football game. The event will recognize September as Childhood Cancer Awareness Month.
- said Old Bridge Day will be held from noon to 5 p.m. on Sept. 9 at the Municipal Center.
- said WorldFest, which will be hosted by the township, will run from Oct. 6 to 9 at the Lowes Shopping Center, Route 9, Old Bridge.
- announced Classroom Close-up NJ will film "Play Unified" at the Alan B. Shepard Elementary School in October. This segment will air Feb. 18 and March 26 on NJTV.

FINANCE

The Board

- acknowledged Raymond E. Voorhees PTA for the donation of \$1,697.28 to the One School One Book Program for the purchase of books.
- acknowledged Carl Sandburg PTA for the donation of \$4,000 to the CSMS Library for the purchase of furniture.
- acknowledged Carl Sandburg PTA for the donation of \$1,0000 to the CSMS Gym for the purchase of a PA system.

NON-CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL – OFFICE

The Board

- approved the retirement of Donna Burns, OBHS guidance secretary, with deep appreciation for her 35 years of dedicated service to the district, effective, Sept.. 1.

CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

The Board

- approved the retirement of Patricia Alspach, OBHS/health and physical education teacher, with deep appreciation for her 28 years of dedicated service to the District, effective Oct. 1, and Karen Redmond, Carpenter Elementary School/special education teacher, with deep appreciation for her 30 years of service, effective Nov. 1.

MISCELLANEOUS

The Board

- approved the following meetings: agenda meeting, 7:30 p.m. on Sept. 12, at the Patrick Torre Administration Building; regular meeting, 7:30 p.m. on Sept. 19, in the Old Bridge High School TV Studio.

BOARD SECRETARY AND BOARD BUSINESS

The Board

- approved the following district goals for the 2017-2018 school year:
District Goals: Excellence in Education, continue to expand innovative educational opportunities for all students; Facilities/Finance, improve financial reserves in anticipation of increased enrollment; The Whole Child, increase student success by initiating programs to improve daily attendance
- approved the following Board goals for the 2017-2018 school year: work toward achieving Board Certification by continuing to receive professional development with NJSBA program three times in the upcoming year; increase board member participation at school and community activities/events.