

OLD BRIDGE BOARD BRIEFS

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

September 20, 2016

IN MEMORIAM

The Board

- acknowledged the death of Mary A. Kurtz, elementary teacher, and expressed its deepest sympathy to her family and friends.

RECOGNITION

The Board

- accepted the donation of 82 HP computer systems (CPU unit, monitor, keyboard, mouse) from the Social Security Administration, valued at \$275 per device (\$22,500), with gratitude to Chi Yip, Miller School parent, for facilitating the donation.

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

David Cittadino

- explained why the board approved the School Safety Plan for Southwood Elementary School for 2016-2017.

PROGRESS TOWARDS GOALS

Superintendent of Schools David Cittadino

- said the district will continue to provide increased number of school programs, including this year's transition program opening a Shop Rite store at Old Bridge High School, online course work, and expansion of the RTI (Response To Intervention) program at the middle school level.
- said the district will be vetting agencies to assist with the development of a Strategic Plan.
- said another initiative is to create revenue saving by bringing in products so we don't have to purchase (ie. Mr. Yip's donation of computers)
- said World Fest Day celebration, will be held Oct. 14-16, with arts and food and proceeds benefitting preK-12.
- said Old Bridge Day is Sept. 24 from noon to 5 p.m. at the Municipal Complex.

The Board

CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

The Board

- approved the retirement of Robert Eriksen, athletic director, with deep appreciation for his 30 years of dedicated service to the District, effective Nov. 1.

MISCELLANEOUS

The Board

- approved the following meetings: agenda session, 7:30 p.m., Oct. 13, 2016, in the Patrick A. Torre Administration Building; regular meeting, 7:30 p.m., Oct. 18, 2016 in the OBHS Main Building TV Studio.
- acknowledged Crystle Goldberg for the donation of a sewing machine, buttons, beads, threads, and ribbons to the Old Bridge High School for use in sewing classes.
- agreed to officially name the field house at Lombardi Field, The Richard Gebauer Athletic Fieldhouse.

BOARD SECRETARY AND BOARD BUSINESS

The Board

- approved the following goals for the 2016-2017 school year. They are: District Goals – to develop a community input driven Strategic Plan which engages community members to identify future district needs relating to our growing diverse population; to continue to increase learning opportunities or programs to multiple subgroups prevalent in our diverse school district (year two of a two-year goal); and to continue infrastructure improvements as prescribed by the Energy Savings and Improvement Plan. Board Goals – committee chairs will prepare and deliver five-minute reports at the monthly public board meetings on their committee activities and develop an evaluation calendar for 2016-2017, which incorporates statutory requirements along with the recommendations provided by NJ School Boards Association (NJSBA).