



THE EWING PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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The Ewing Public Schools BOE Board Briefs: September 24th, 2018

The Ewing Township Board of Education held its monthly meeting in the Fisher Middle School media center on Monday, September 24th, 2018.

New Ewing High School student ambassadors to the Board of Education, Steven Rodriguez and Nadlie Alexis updated the Board and public on events and developments at EHS over the first month of school. Nadlie is a member of the EHS Drama Club, Common Ground Club, and Co-President of the Student Council and Key Club. Steven is a student-athlete at EHS, a member of National Honor Society, a Peer Leader, and Co-President of the Student Council.

During his **Superintendent's Report**, Mr. Nitti updated the Board and public on the district's communications campaign for the upcoming facilities referendum taking place on October 2nd. He discussed the genesis of the district's theme for the referendum—"One Community, One Vision, One Vote!"-which symbolizes the unity and shared sense of purpose behind the referendum, the connection to the school community's stakeholders which is reflected in the referendum projects, and the recognition that this referendum will provide safer, healthier, and more sustainable schools for the next generation of Ewing Township students. He shared that members of the Board and administration have been at a number of events and meetings over the past month communicating the goals and ideas behind the referendum. The vote will take place next Tuesday, October 2nd, 2018.

Mr. Nitti then introduced Assistant Superintendent Dr. Danita Ishibashi, who presented the required report on assessment results to the Board and public. Dr. Ishibashi's presentation will be made available on the district website under the Parent Information/PARCC Information tab.

During the "**Superintendent Recommendations**" section of the agenda:

Finance and Operations

Approval of Disposition of Surplus Equipment

Approval of Donations

Various transportation collaborative and jointures were approved.

Curriculum & Instruction

Approval of ESSA Report for the Board of Education

Acceptance of the 2017-2018 School Safety Team Self-Assessment on the Implementation of the Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act

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Student Services & Technology

Approval of Professional Services Contracts

Approval for students to participate in Special Olympics for the 2018-2019 school year. Mr. Nitti shared that the Ewing Schools have become a leader in inclusive, unified activity-based athletics and revealed the good news that the district was a recipient of a \$10,000 grant to continue this work.

The Annual School Nursing Service Report was approved.

The following policies and regulations were approved by the Board as “Second Readings” and are now formal Board policy:

P4125 Employment of Support Staff Members Revised

In closing, members of the Board and administration encouraged all members of the community to take part in the democratic process and vote on Tuesday, October 2nd.

The next meeting of the Ewing Township Board of Education is on Monday, October 29th, 2018 in the Fisher Middle School media center.

EWING PUBLIC SCHOOLS REFERENDUM '18
VOTE Tuesday October 2, 2018

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THE PROJECTS

School Safety and Security Enhancements
Fire alarm systems, District-wide PA/communications and Messaging/Alert System, Interior Door/Hardware and Security Upgrades, Security Camera System Expansion, Asbestos Abatement As Needed

Building Integrity
Roof Replacement and Restoration Where Needed, Masonry Restoration, Exterior Door and Hardware Replacement

Indoor Environmental Quality
Classroom Ventilation Improvements, HS Gym/Aux Gym Air Conditioning, Building Automated Controls Upgrades, Humidity Control, Replacement of Boilers and Chillers with High Efficiency Equipment

Instructional Space and Student Facilities Enhancements
Add Parking at High School, Creating a District Tennis Center, Renovate Bathrooms, Renovate HS and MS Gyms and Locker Rooms, Renovate HS Auditorium, Renovate Elementary School Libraries, Renovate Select Classrooms, HS Exterior Athletic Facilities Improvements

THE DETAILS

On October 2, 2018 Ewing taxpayers will be asked to vote for a bond referendum to support important projects that will enhance safety, security, building integrity, indoor environmental quality and student facilities.

Total Cost of Proposed Referendum:
\$59,298,000.

91% of the Projects are Eligible for NJDOE Support State Aid is Available Only if Voters Approve the Referendum

State Contribution
\$21,658,722.

State Share % of Eligible Costs
40%

Term of Debt:
20 Years

Please Remember to Vote on Tuesday October 2, 2018.

Thoughts or Questions?
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