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The Ewing Public Schools Board of Education BOE Briefs: February 22, 2021

The Ewing Township Board of Education held its monthly meeting on February 22nd in the Fisher Middle School Auditorium. It marked the return of “in-person” Board meetings.

The public session of the Board of Education meeting was also live-streamed to the public beginning at 8:00PM. The livestream link was widely communicated to the community via Instant Alert, Twitter and posted on the district website.

Board President Lisa McConnell opened the Board of Education meeting at 7:00PM and the only action the Board took at that time was to move to a closed session where it reviewed a limited number of confidential items.

Superintendent Michael Nitti then shared a report from the Ewing High School student ambassadors updating the Board and the public on events and developments at Ewing High School during past month.

Featured in the report:

On Wednesday, February 17th, the EHS Student Council invited recent Ewing High alumna Tania Bethea, Lucinda Conteh, Nevin Gammage, LaBrea Jones, and Jaycee Lowe to speak with EHS students about their experiences attending historically black colleges and universities. Over 20 EHS students as well as Director of Counseling and Assessment Dr. Allen participated in the conversation, which looks to be the start of a new annual EHS tradition.

In EHS winter sports, we have seen the return of parents to watch our student-athletes. The EHS Girls basketball team has started off the season 8-0 with wins against Nottingham and Trenton Central this past week. Boys and Girls Bowling Teams have also had undefeated starts to their seasons! Meanwhile, the Boys Basketball team, after a big win against Notre Dame, will look to improve its record to .500 with games this week against Steinert and Princeton. Finally, Swimming will kick off its season in early March.

Exciting things happening at EHS during the month of March will include Women’s History Month activities, auditions for the play *Almost Maine*, Spring Spirit Week, and virtual college tours of Rider University and The College of New Jersey (TCNJ) among others.

Superintendent Nitti then introduced the principal of Antheil Elementary School, Clifford “Kip” Harrison, who provided an update on his school to the Board and community.

The Board then moved into the “**Superintendent Recommendations**” section of the Agenda. Some items of note:

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The district awarded the bid for the Ewing High School and Antheil Elementary School partial roofing replacement.

The district also approved an emergency contract for tents for outdoor classroom space, which proved to be quite beneficial and effective during the fall.

Curriculum and Instruction

The Board approved a Trauma Transformation Participation Agreement with ChildWIN/PCA-NJ.

The Board approved the name change for Comparative Physiology.

Student Services and Technology

The Board approved the Ready to Achieve Mentoring Program (RAMP) at Ewing High School.

The following policies and regulations were approved by the Board as “First Readings”. After review and approval by the Board at its next meeting in March they will become formal Board policy:

Bylaw 0164.6	Remote Public Board Meeting During a Declared Emergency (Mandated) (New)
Policy 5330.05	Seizure Action Plan (Mandated) (New)
Regulation 5330.05	Seizure Action Plan (Mandated) (New)
Policy 7440	School District Security (Mandated) (Revised)
Regulation 7440	School District Security (Mandated) (Revised)
Policy 8420	Emergency and Crisis Situations (Mandated) (Revised)

The next meeting of the Board of Education will take place on Monday, March 15th, 2021 at 7:00PM in the Fisher Middle School auditorium.