From the Desk of Councilwoman Dawn Martin Borough of Stratford School Board Liaison SCHOOL BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS (9.15.25)

Below are the key updates and decisions from the recent School Board meeting. We appreciate your continued interest and support in our schools.

Student Board Liaisons Update

Three student representatives reported a strong and positive start to the school year, highlighting recent facility improvements, including new gym floors and bleachers. Congratulations to the boys' soccer team on their first win of the season! The Student Council also held successful elections and is preparing for their first spirit day, themed "Jammies Jam."

Genesis Parent Portal Now Live

We're pleased to report that over 500 parents have enrolled in the new Genesis platform. As with any system rollout, some technical issues are being resolved, and we appreciate our families' continued patience and support.

Partnership with Rowan University

This fall, we will welcome 14 education students from Rowan University to complete their clinical field experiences in our classrooms from October through November. These students will have the opportunity to learn from our highly effective teachers, who continue to serve as models of instructional excellence.

Beyond the Bell: Academic Support Programs

We are proud to launch the Squire Assist Extended Day Tutoring Program at Parkview (for 3rd graders) and Yellin School. The program will tentatively begin in November pending the release of a grant and will provide academic support for at-risk students. This initiative reflects the unwavering commitment of our educators, who are extending their workday to help students thrive academically.

Restorative Detention Program Resumes

The Squire Assist Restorative Detention Program will resume this year. The program emphasizes student accountability, reflection, and goal-setting, supporting both behavioral and academic growth. Rooted in restorative practices, this initiative helps foster stronger relationships, a more positive school climate, and improved student outcomes.

Stratford Mayor and Council would like to thank The Board of Education for volunteering their time to help provide the best possible educational opportunities for all our students.

Next Meeting Monday, October 20 at 6:30 pm