

Board Briefs

From the Portsmouth City School District Board of Education
ORGANIZATIONAL Meeting.....January 11, 2007

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

- Elected **Clarence Parker** as President of the Portsmouth City School Board of Education.
- Elected **Dr. George Pettit** as Vice-President of the Board.
- Elected **Dr. George Pettit** as the legislative liaison to the Ohio School Boards Association.
- Elected **Dr. George Pettit** as delegate and **Ray Thompson** as alternate to the Delegate Assembly of the 2007 Capital Conference of the Ohio School Boards Association.
- Elected **Barbara Gibson** as Student Achievement Liaison to the Ohio School Boards Association.
- President Parker appointed the following **Chairpersons and Vice Chairpersons** to the Board Standing Committee for 2007:

<u>COMMITTEE</u>	<u>CHAIRPERSON</u>	<u>VICE CHAIRPERSON</u>
Audit/Finance Committee	Dr. George Pettit	Ray Thompson
Business Committee	Ray Thompson	Clarence Parker
Personnel/Instruction/ Curriculum Committee	Barbara Gibson	Mary Sommer
Co-curricular Committee (Athletics, Music, Bands, Etc.)	Mary Sommer	Clarence Parker

- Scheduled the following Board Meetings for **2007**:

January	25	5:00 p.m.	PHS/PJHS Multipurpose Room
February	22	7:00 p.m.	PHS/PJHS Multipurpose Room
March	22	7:00 p.m.	East Portsmouth Elementary School
April	26	7:00 p.m.	PHS/PJHS Multipurpose Room
May	17	7:00 p.m.	PHS/PJHS Multipurpose Room
June	28	7:00 p.m.	East Portsmouth Elementary School
July	19	7:00 p.m.	PHS/PJHS Multipurpose Room
August	16	7:00 p.m.	PHS/PJHS Multipurpose Room
September	20	7:00 p.m.	PHS/PJHS Multipurpose Room
October	18	7:00 p.m.	East Portsmouth Elementary School
November	15	7:00 p.m.	PHS/PJHS Multipurpose Room
December	20	7:00 p.m.	PHS/PJHS Multipurpose Room
January 10, 2008 (Organizational Meeting)		7:00 p.m.	Administrative Office Conference Room
January 31, 2008		7:00 p.m.	PHS/PJHS Multipurpose Room

- **Approved the following routine financial matters, authorizing the Treasurer to:**
 - Request advances as may be available from the County Treasurer,
 - Adopt a service fund in accordance with ORC, Section 3313.15, Text 93.37,
 - Authorize appropriate governmental agencies to release funds for Portsmouth City Schools in district's bank(s) of deposit,
 - Report expenditures to board on monthly basis,
 - Invest interim revenue funds,
 - Report to board of education in a timely manner any new, additional and/or reduced appropriations for general, categorical and/or student activity fund budgets,
 - Authorize loans from the general fund to any other fund that might have a deficit balance, with reimbursement made to general fund upon receipt of appropriate state, federal or student activity fund revenues,
 - Establish cash reserve funds for the library, food service and the athletic program,
 - Establish and maintain petty cash funds,
 - Request from County Budget Commission for amended official certificates,
 - Authorize responsibility for signing of district checks, and
 - Be responsible for the completion of 412 Certificates in accord with ORC, Section 5705.412.

- **Approved the following routine instructional matters:**
 - Adopted, readopted, updated and/or revised various district handbooks/booklets (originals are on file in the Treasurer's Office),
 - District participation in cooperative special education programs,
 - Payment of excess costs associated with special status programs inside and outside of Scioto County,
 - Declared it "impractical" to transport appropriate special status students by yellow school buses on regular routes where public or private accommodations are required,
 - Student, staff member and board member participation in appropriate local, county, conference, state, regional, national and other such programs (all out-of-state travel must be prior approved),
 - Acknowledged status of Ohio Academic Content Standards, textbooks, and supplemental and testing materials,
 - District participation in the Ohio Department of Education Right to Read Program,
 - Staff representation to numerous categorical programs for calendar year 2007.

- **Approved the following routine business matters:**
 - Payment for consultation services as deemed appropriate for the operation of the school district,
 - Consistency be maintained between the boundaries of the City of Portsmouth and the Portsmouth City School District,
 - Board of education, school district and staff membership in appropriate national, state and local organizations,
 - Purchase of insurance to meet the needs of the district,
 - Procedures for obtaining quotes/bids, including development of specifications and legal advertisements,
 - Procurement of surplus materials from the General Services Administration through the Ohio Department of Administrative Services, and other agencies (private or governmental),
 - Authorization for Superintendent to employ personnel to meet district needs which materialize between board meetings, then reporting same at the next regular meeting,
 - Authorization for Superintendent to accept resignations submitted between board meetings, then reporting same at the next regular meeting,
 - Superintendent appointments of district representatives to local, state and national agencies and organizations,
 - District participation in the National School Breakfast and Lunch Program,
 - Use by non-profit and other appropriate organizations or agencies who request permission to use the district photocopiers at a cost of ten cents (\$.10) per copy, and
 - District participation in student teaching and field experience programs.

- Acknowledged district **October 2006 enrollment at 2,143** and ten-year enrollment comparison.

- Approved the **January Tax Budget for FY2006-2007**.