

Board Briefs

From the Portsmouth City School District Board of Education
Regular Meeting.....OCTOBER 20, 2005

RECOGNITION / SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

- Recognized art work of **Caleb Tener**, a second grade student at Roosevelt Elementary School, and his art teacher, **Jill Kolar**.
- Recognized the following cub scouts for leading the “Pledge of Allegiance”: **Thomas Barnett; Austin Carter; Evan Coriell; Ben Davis; Joey Drengcas; Dakota Free; Hunter Gibson; Davelle Greer; J.D. Harting; Brandon Jones; Jacob Kielmar; Garrett Nease; Ryan Penn; Wellington Spencer; Michael Sturgill and Luke Welsh**.
- Heard a BEST Practice presentation regarding the district’s preschool programs by district preschool teachers **Pam Cartee, Angela Hall, Amy Keyser, and Leslie Kinker**,

PERSONNEL CONSIDERATIONS

A. Certificated

- Accepted resignations from the following employees: **Heather Shoemaker (Substitute Teacher)**.
- Approved a **change in status** for the following individuals: **Kristi Caudill (Special Education Teacher – 100% General Fund to Half-Time Special Education Teacher – 50% General Fund / Half-Time Reading First Instructional Facilitator – 50% Reading First-Ohio Grant) and Tami Mucha (Teacher – Bachelor’s Degree – Step 7 to Teacher – Master’s Degree – Step 7)**.
- Approved a **change in funding status** for the following individuals: **Sandra Brown (100% General Fund to 100% General Fund Intervention); Curt Clifford (100% General Fund to 100% Poverty Based Assistance); Debbie McGinnis (100% Poverty Based Assistance to 100% General Fund); Deidra Novinger (100% Poverty Based Assistance to 100% General Fund); and Jay Pendleton (100% General Fund to 100% Poverty Based Assistance)**.
- Employed the following individuals as **substitute teachers** effective October 21, 2005: **Joel Stanley and Tammy Trinidad**.

- Approved the following **supplemental contracts** effective the 2005-2006 school year: **Tom Grashel (Swimming coach at PHS) and Diana Marsh (Science fair sponsor at PJHS/PHS).**

B. Classified

- Approved a **change in status** for the following individuals: **Kathleen Fairchild (Cook I – 3 Hours/Day to Cook I – 4 Hours/Day) and Pam McCann (Cook I – Pay Range 4 – Step 5 to Cook I – Pay Range 4 – Step 5 – First Longevity Step).**
- Approved a **change in funding status** for the following individuals: **Amanda Grashel (Central Office Secretary – 100% Title I to Central Office Secretary – 100% General Fund); Patty McCallister (Aide I – Paraprofessional – 100% General Fund to Aide I – Paraprofessional – 100% Poverty Based Assistance); and Linda Rawlins (Aide I – Paraprofessional – 100% Poverty Based Assistance to Aide I – Paraprofessional – 100% General Fund).**
- Employed the following individuals as a **substitute cook: DeAnna Hay and Verna Kingery.**
- Employed the following individual as a **substitute custodian: James Owens.**

SUPERINTENDENT RECOMMENDATIONS

- Approved a **change order** in the amount of \$17,133.34 to **Accurate Electric Construction, Inc.**, to add and change original window treatments as found in Specifications Sections 12490 for the new 7-12 Portsmouth High/Junior High School project.
- Approved a **change order** in the amount of \$24,541.48 to **J & H Reinforcing and Structural Erectors** to resolve field dispute regarding layout and installation of bearing plates for structural steel for the new 7-12 Portsmouth High/Junior High School project.
- Adopted the **revised 2005-2006 school calendar** to reflect a change in the Waiver Day of Instruction for staff and students at **Harding Elementary School** from **Wednesday, December 21, 2005 to Wednesday, January 4, 2006** in order to facilitate a smoother transition from Harding Elementary to the new East Portsmouth Elementary School.
- Approved a **Commissioning Agreement – HVAC/MEP** with **Four Seasons Environmental, Inc.**, to provide post-occupancy commissioning (auditing) services for the new East Portsmouth Elementary School.

- Adopted the guidelines for the ***Cornelia McCall Mault Award*** to annually recognize an outstanding elementary educator in the Portsmouth City School District. The award will provide \$1,000.00 (\$500 to be used to help defray expenses incurred by the teacher for miscellaneous classroom supplies and \$500 to be used in any manner the recipient so chooses).
- Based on notification from the **Ohio Department of Liquor Control** that application has been made for a stock transfer for Smoked Ribs, Inc., dba Scioto Ribber, the Board voted to notify the Division of Liquor Control that they object to the issuance of the permit but do not request a hearing. In choosing this option, it is only an objection for the record and will not adversely impact the issuance of the permit.

TREASURER RECOMMENDATIONS

- Authorized the operation of **vending machines** in district buildings for purposes stipulated and with individuals identified as responsible managers, and profits for each machine being allocated as stated.
- Approved the **renewal of position bond insurance** for Board Members, Superintendent, and the Director of Business.

CONSENT ACTION ITEMS

- Approved ***three (3) personal service contracts.***
- Approved ***monthly donations*** totaling ***\$2,530.73.***
- Approved a list of ***twenty-seven (27) volunteers.***
- Approved the following routine financial reports and recommendations: ***Interim Revenues; September 2005 Management/Financial Data; Summary of September 2005 Bills; Appropriations (Budgets); and Fund to Fund Transfers.***
- Approved payment to ***three (3) vendors*** whose invoice exceeded \$3,000.00.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- Acknowledged an ***increase*** in milk prices effective October 1, 2005.