

Board Briefs

From the Portsmouth City School District Board of Education
Regular Meeting.....February 23, 2006

RECOGNITION / SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

- Recognized artwork of **Tyler Bradford**, an eighth grade student at Portsmouth Junior High School, and his art teacher, **Alan Lute**.
- Recognized **David Pettit**, and eighth grade student at Portsmouth Junior High School, and **Ashley Delaney**, a sophomore at Portsmouth High School, who were the junior high and high school winners of an essay contest to promote Trojan spirit.
- Remembered **Steven Hunter**, aka Captain Trojan, PHS Class of 2003, for his love of Portsmouth High School and his Trojan spirit.
- Heard a BEST Practice presentation by Portsmouth Junior High School librarian, **Gayle Hopkins**, on the newly created Portsmouth Junior High School Book Club.

PERSONNEL CONSIDERATIONS

A. Certificated

- Approved the following **supplemental contracts** for the 2005-2006 school year: **Joe Albrecht (Head girls softball coach at PHS); Chuck Burke (Head boys track coach at PHS); Curt Clifford (Boys track coach at PJHS); Chris Cole (Education Channel Program Developer); Jani Evans (Girls track coach at PJHS); Amy Keating (Assistant girls track coach at PHS); Arthur Lard (Head girls track coach at PHS); Tony Lavinder (National honor society sponsor at PHS); Randy Nelson (Assistant baseball coach at PHS); Doug Poage (Head baseball coach at PHS); and Sue Schmidt (Power of the Pen sponsor at PJHS).**
- Approved **revised Salary Table Booklet page**, effective the 2006-2007 school year.
- Approved employment of **Doug Poage** as **Assistant Principal** for a two-year contract effective 2006-2008.

B. Classified

- Approved a **change in status** for the following employees: **Bob Bender (Custodian III – Pay Range 32 – Step 5 – Second Longevity Step to Custodian III – Pay Range 32 – Step 5 – Third Longevity Step)**; **Larry Pennington (Kitchen Driver/Courier to Custodian I)**; and **Robin Throckmorton (Aide III – Paraprofessional to Custodian I)**.
- Employed **Liz Porter** as **Attendance Officer**.
- Employed the following individual as a **substitute custodian: Donald Dillow**.
- Approved the following **non-teaching supplemental contracts**, effective the 2005-2006 school year: **Anthony Cadogan (Assistant boys track coach at PHS)**; **Pam McCann (Traffic scout supervisor at EPE)**; and **Brad Porter (Assistant baseball coach at PHS)**.
- Adopted the **revised job description** for the **Custodian III/ Grounds/ Rover**.

SUPERINTENDENT RECOMMENDATIONS

- Approved establishment of the **Steven Hunter Hope Memorial Fund**, to assist Portsmouth High School students who inspire in all of us the love and passion Steven showed for his school, his community, his family and friends, and his God.
- Approved the **Portsmouth High School French Club** trip to France scheduled for March 2007.
- Approved a **Letter of Agreement** with Southern Ohio Medical Center Rehabilitation Services for assessment and tutorial services for adolescents who attend Portsmouth City Schools but require long-term admission to the Department of Rehabilitation at SOMC.
- Approved the **revised 2005-2006 school calendar** to reflect the addition of one district-wide **Waiver Day of Instruction** for students on Wednesday, April 19, 2006. This means students will not report following Spring Break until Thursday, April 20, 2006. Teachers return on Tuesday, April 18, 2006. Also approved revising 2005-2006 school calendar to reflect change in **Waiver Day of Instruction** currently scheduled for Thursday, May 25. **Record Keeping will be Thursday, May 25 and the Waiver Day will be Friday, May 26.**
- Approved a **Change Order** to J & H Reinforcing and Structural Erectors in the amount of **\$23,627.92** to provide additional topsoil and cleaning of existing topsoil at the New PK-6 Downtown Elementary School and the New PK-6 East Portsmouth Elementary School.

- Approved a **Change Order** to J & H Reinforcing and Structural Erectors in the amount of **\$79,428.26** to provide miscellaneous asphalt repairs per CTL recommendations at the New PK-6 Downtown Elementary School and the New PK-6 East Portsmouth Elementary School.
- Approved a **Resolution Expressing an Intent to Award Demolition Contracts and Authorizing the President and Treasurer to Enter Into Said Contracts Upon Compliance with all Conditions Precedent Related to the Harding and Roosevelt Elementary Schools.**
- Approved a **Resolution Expressing an Intent to Award Loose Furnishings Contracts and Authorizing the President and the Treasurer to Enter into Said Contracts for Certain Bid Packages Upon Compliance With All Conditions Precedent Related to the New Portsmouth 7-12 Middle/High School.**

TREASURER RECOMMENDATIONS

None

CONSENT ACTION ITEMS

- Approved **three (3) personal service contracts.**
- Approved **one (1) volunteer** for the PHS Softball Team and **one (1) volunteer** for the PHS Boys Tennis Team.
- Approved monthly donations totaling **\$22,953.20.**
- Approved one (1) **out-of-state athletic trip** for the PHS Varsity Baseball Team to competition in Greenup County, KY.
- Approved the following routine financial reports and recommendations: **Interim Revenues; January 2006 Management/Financial Data; Summary of January 2006 Bills; and Appropriations (Budgets).**
- Approved reimbursement to **Portsmouth High School/Portsmouth Junior High School** staff members for participation in the **Study Island** professional development training on January 31 and February 6, 2006.