

Board Briefs

From the Portsmouth City School District Board of Education
Meeting.....December 18, 2003

RECOGNITION / SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

- Recognized artwork of **Tana Timberlake**, 5th grade student at Harding Elementary School, and her art teacher, **Susan Leadingham**.
- Recognized **Scott Ramey's Fifth Grade Class** who sang "The Pledge of Allegiance".
- Recognized the following Portsmouth High School Football team players for being selected to the Division IV 2003 All-Ohio Football Team: **Gerald Cadogan (First Team Offensive Lineman); Tyler Clifford (First Team Defensive Lineman); Justin Skaggs (Special Mention Defensive Linebacker)**.
- Recognized the following Portsmouth High School Football team players for being selected to the 2003 Portsmouth Daily Times All-Area Football Team: **Gerald Cadogan (First Team Offensive Lineman); Tyler Clifford (First Team Defensive Lineman); Justin Skaggs (First Team Defensive Lineman); Nick Toppins (First Team Special Teams/Utility Player); Aaron Bray (Second Team Offensive Running Back); Andrew Newman (Second Team Offensive Running Back); Billy Payne (Second Team Offensive Receiver/End); Michael Purdy (Second Team Defensive Back); J.R. Glockner (Honorable Mention Quarterback); Justin Nelson (Honorable Mention Offensive Receiver/End); Randy Phipps (Honorable Mention Defensive Lineman); David Rammel (Honorable Mention Defensive Lineman); Jarrod Toppins (Honorable Mention Offensive Lineman); and Head Coach Curt Clifford**.
- Board Members participated in a **data walk** conducted by the staff at Harding Elementary School.

PERSONNEL CONSIDERATIONS

A. Certificated

- Accepted resignations of **Betty Coleman and Kathryn Kerr (Substitute Teachers)**.
- Employed **Andrew Bugg and Sandra Lattimore** as a **substitute teachers**.

- Approved a supplemental contract for **Amy Keating (Yearbook sponsor at Portsmouth High School)**.
- Approved a non-teaching supplemental contract for **Michael Chandler (Assistant soccer coach at Portsmouth High School for the 2003-2004 school year.)**
- Awarded **Paula Butler, Treasurer** a four-year contract.
- Approved the following **revised job descriptions**: Pre-School Handicap Teacher/Pre-School Handicap Itinerant Teacher and Pre-School Handicap Teacher Aide.

B. Classified

- Approved a change in status for **Tennie Lee Dials (Cook I - From Active Status to Medical Leave of Absence/Without Pay)**.
- Approved the appointment/reappointment of **Stephanie Miller (Elementary Secretary-Wilson School)**.

SUPERINTENDENT RECOMMENDATIONS

- Adopted a Resolution regarding submission of the Portsmouth City School District's **Second Revised Fiscal Caution Financial Recovery Plan** to State Superintendent Susan Tave Zelman.
- Adopted a Resolution authorizing the **demolition of Grant Middle School** to allow for student playground area at the new Portsmouth Elementary School site.
- Approved issuance of a **stop work order** to Stockmeister Enterprises, Inc., at the East Portsmouth Elementary School site due to significant amounts of silt located within the soil and the extraordinary costs that would be associated with completing the contract.

TREASURER RECOMMENDATIONS

- Approved the **Revised Amended Official Certificate of Estimated Resources** for the 2003-2004 school year.
- Approved the **Revised Annual Appropriations** for the 2003-2004 school year.
- Approved a **revised contract with the Auditor of State** due to additional assistance needed in accumulating information for the construction in progress and fixed assets.

CONSENT ACTION ITEMS

- Approved **18** personal service contracts.
- Approved a total of **29 volunteers** for Portsmouth High School, Grant Middle School, McKinley Elementary School and Roosevelt Elementary School and the Portsmouth City School District Alternative Learning Centers.
- Approved **monthly donations totaling \$3,955.00**.
- Approved the following routine financial reports and recommendations: **Interim Revenues; November, 2003 management/financial data; Summary of November, 2003 bills; and fund to fund transfers.**
- Approved payment of invoices that **exceed \$3,000.00** to four (4) vendors.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- Acknowledged a **decrease in milk prices** effective December 1, 2003.
- Acknowledged that the **January Tax Budget/Public Hearing** will be held in the Conference Room (Room 201) at Portsmouth High School on Tuesday, January 6, 2004, at 1:00 p.m.
- Acknowledged that the **Portsmouth City School District Enrichment Program (PEP)** is submitting a total of five (5) proposals to the Scioto County Area Foundation for funding of special programs for gifted students.