

# Board Briefs

From the Portsmouth City School District Board of Education  
Meeting.....November 21, 2002

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## RECOGNITION / SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

- Recognized artwork of **Jacob Howard**, 6<sup>th</sup> grade student at Harding Elementary School, and his art teacher, **Lanny Rice**.
- Recognized **Kandee Brinkley** (language arts teacher at Grant Middle School, **Linda Howell** (business teacher at Portsmouth High School) and **Sharee Price** (art teacher at Portsmouth High School) for being recognized in this year's edition of *Who's Who Among America's Teachers*.
- Recognized **Helen Phillips** of The Bluemont Corporation for her generous donation of a portion of her land for the site of the new PreK-6 facility in Sciotoville.
- Recognized **Richard Arthur**, Special Needs Teacher at Grant Middle School, for being chosen to receive a regional award of achievement from the Mid-American Educational Opportunity Program Personnel (MAEOPP).
- Heard a BEST Practice presentation by **Julie Ball**, Second Grade Teacher at Harding Elementary School, on the Calendar and Saxxon Math.

## PERSONNEL CONSIDERATIONS

### A. Certificated

- Approved a *change in status* for **Becky Campbell, Rebecca Cook, Allen Hanson and Klaire Purtee**.
- Approved hiring of the following individuals as *substitute teachers*: **Hugh Boggs and Whitney Waugh**.

### B. Classified

- Accepted the resignation of **Tammy Blevins (substitute aide, substitute cook and substitute secretary)**.
- Approved a change in status for **William Smith (Maintenance)**.
- Approved the appointment/reappointment of the following individuals: **Patricia McCallister (Cook I); Donna Arnett (substitute aide &**

*substitute secretary); and Donnie Lee (substitute bus driver, substitute cook and substitute custodian).*

## **SUPERINTENDENT RECOMMENDATIONS**

- Approved a resolution authorizing **Ralph Applegate and Paula Butler or Jan Broughton** as signatories, on an “as needed” basis for the month of December 2002, and on a continual basis effective January 1, 2003, on required paperwork associated with acquisition of property. This action is a result of the retirement of Bonnie Johnson effective December 31, 2002.

## **TREASURER RECOMMENDATIONS**

- Approved a **revision in the threshold** for the reporting of fixed assets for GAAP, decreasing it from \$1,500.000 to \$1,000.00 for both individual items and groups.
- Approved the **Revised Five-Year Forecast** for the 2002-2003 school year.

## **CONSENT ACTION ITEMS**

- Approved **32** personal service contracts.
- Approved **three volunteers** for the Harding Elementary School PTO and **three volunteers** for the Wilson Elementary School PTO.
- Approved **monthly donations totaling \$4,430.09.**
- Approved the following routine financial reports and recommendations: **Interim Revenues; October, 2002 management/financial data; Summary of October, 2002 bills; Transfers and Appropriations.**
- Approved payment to fourteen (14) vendors whose invoices **exceeded \$1,000.00.**
- Approved attendance by **Betsy Fannin and 21<sup>st</sup> Century After-School Mall Site Coordinators** at the 21<sup>st</sup> Century National Conference in January, 2003.
- Approved real estate purchase agreements with **one (1) property owner in Phase I** and with **twelve (12) property owners in Phase II.**

## **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

- Acknowledged notification of an **increase in milk prices** from United Valley Bell Dairy, Inc.