School Board Summary/Action Sheet

September 13, 2001 Meeting

A meeting of the Portsmouth School Board was held on Thursday, September 13, 2001 in the Board Room at Little Harbour School.

PRESENT: Mr. Kent Lapage (Chair); Mr. John Lyons, Jr. (Vice-Chair); Mrs. Nancy Novelline Clayburgh; Mrs. Nansi Craig; Mr. Clay Hayward; Mr. Kenneth Muske; Mr. Carvel Tefft

ABSENT: Mr. John Dowd

<u>PARTICIPATING</u>: Dr. Lyonel B. Tracy, Ed.D. (Superintendent of Schools); Dr. Robert J. Lister (Assistant Superintendent); Mr. W. Peter Torrey (Business Administrator); Mrs. Barbara Doyle (employee representative filling in for Ann Walker)

Actions Taken by Board

Meeting called to order by Chair at 6:03 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Barbara Doyle.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Minutes of July 17, 2001 meeting approved (Tefft, Hayward – unanimous voted).

Minutes of August 21, 2001 meeting approved (Hayward, Clayburgh – unanimous vote).

Newspaper article, "Teachers still needed as school draws near," (The Portsmouth Herald, August 18, 2001) in Board packets from Dr. Lister.

RECOGNITION OF GROUPS OR INDIVIDUAL VISITORS

Peter Bresciano spoke on the condition of the baseball fields at Portsmouth High School.

PERSONNEL

Dr. Lister presented the following professional nominations:

Deborah Heath-Barlow (70% home-school coordinator)

Sherri Carver (40% media/tv production)

Melissa Moll (Italian at PHS/PMS)

Suzanne Drysdale (50% reading specialist at New Franklin)

Margaret Ronchi (Spanish at PHS – one year position due to a LOA)

Nominations accepted as presented (Tefft, Craig – unanimous vote).

Actions Taken by Board – September 13, 2001 (con't.)

NEW BUSINESS

Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent, Business Administrator, Mrs. Robin Burdick (Little Harbour Principal) and Mrs. Doyle commented on events that took place within the school district following the terrorist attacks that occurred on September 11, 2001. Board Chair LaPage, Vice-Chair Lyons and Board member Bowles commented on events of September 11.

Superintendent's goals approved with a review by the Superintendent when he feels it is appropriate to do so (Lyons, Bowles – unanimous vote).

(Mrs. Clayburgh was excused from the meeting at 6:55 p.m.)

COMMITTEE REPORTS

<u>Joint Building Committee</u> – Chair reported on September 5, 2001 meeting. Discussion by Board of high school project and New Franklin School.

<u>Joint Budget Committee</u> -- Chair reported on September 6, 2001 meeting.

Chair asked Athletic Committee to meet with Athletic Director to review coaches' handbook.

CONTINUING BUSINESS

Second readings of the following policies accepted (Tefft, Muske – unanimous vote):

- 1. Sale and Disposal of Books, Equipment and Supplies
- 2. Grants, Gifts and Bequests
- 3. Local Purchasing
- 4. Operation and Maintenance of Plant
- 5. Safety

FINANCIAL

Business Administrator reviewed the Annual Financial Report (2000/01 budget).

Tuition rates for the 2001-02 school year approved as submitted (Tefft, Hayward – unanimous vote).

Business Administrator reviewed the August 2001 financial report.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn (Craig, Tefft – unanimous vote). Meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

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