School Board Summary/Action Sheet

January 3, 2002

A reorganization meeting of the Portsmouth School Board was held on Thursday, January 3, 2002 in the Board Room at Little Harbour School.

PRESENT: Mr. Raimond Bowles, Mrs. Nancy Novelline-Clayburgh, Mrs. Nansi Craig, Mr. Kent LaPage, Mr. John Lyons, Mrs. Colleen M. Montminy, Mr. Carvel Tefft, Mr. Charles Vaughn

ABSENT: Mr. H. Clay Hayward

PARTICIPATING: Dr. Lyonel B. Tracy (Superintendent of Schools), Dr. Robert J. Lister (Assistant Superintendent), and Mr. W. Peter Torrey (Business Administrator.

Actions Taken by Board

Dr. Lyonel Tracy, Superintendent of Schools, called the meeting to order at 5:43 p.m. He called for a moment of silent reflection before the Pledge of Allegiance.

Dr. Tracy administered the Oath of Office to the following Board members elected in November 2001: Nansi Craig, Kent LaPage, Colleen Montminy, and Charles Vaughn.

Dr. Tracy called for nominations for the position of School Board Chair. Mrs. Clayburgh nominated Mr. Kent LaPage. Mr. Vaughn moved the nominations be closed; Mr. Bowles seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved to close nominations.

The Superintendent requested that each Board member individually declare his or her vote for the record. Mr. Vaughn disagreed, and moved the secretary cast one ballot in favor of Kent LaPage as Chair of the Portsmouth School Board. Mr. Bowles seconded the motion. In a roll call vote, the motion passed 5-2-1 (Mrs. Clayburgh and Mrs. Montminy voted against the motion; Mr. LaPage abstained).

Mr. LaPage took his seat at the table, and the gavel was handed to him. Mr. LaPage addressed the Board and thanked them for their support.

Chair LaPage called for nominations for the position of Vice-Chair. Mr. Tefft nominated Mr. John Lyons. Mr. Vaughn moved the nominations be closed; Mr. Bowles seconded the nomination. The motion to close nominations was unanimously approved. Mr. Vaughn moved the Secretary cast one vote for John Lyons to be Vice-Chair of the Portsmouth School Board. In a roll call vote, the motion carried 7 - 0 - 1 (Mr. Lyons abstained from voting).

Mr. Lyons thanked the Board for their support.

The Chair reminded Board members to turn in their preference sheet for committee assignments. Committee assignments will be made at the January 8 meeting.

There was no further business to come before the Board. Mr. Vaughn moved the Board adjourn its meeting; Mr. Lyons seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved. The meeting was adjourned at 6:11 p.m. A reception immediately followed the meeting.

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