

STAFF NEWSLETTER
TUSCARAWAS VALLEY LOCAL BOARD OF EDUCATION
ROBERT J. BOWDEN, SUPERINTENDENT

HIGHLIGHTS OF BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING—February 9, 2004

Staff members in attendance were Deb Prochaska, Jim Downing, Jim Lindon, Mary Beth Markley, Diana Flickinger, Willard Himes, Lou Wiles, Marilyn Wills. Guests present were Diane West, Neil Buchanan, Al Baker, Barb Limbacher (*The Times-Reporter*).

Ali West was presented as February *Student of the Month*.

Met in Executive Session for the purpose of the employment, discipline, and compensation of a public employee or official.

Under **New Business**, the following action was taken:

Approved January 12, 2004 Organizational Meeting and Regular Meeting; January 19 and January 31, 2004 Special Meetings; January 2004 Financial Report; January 2004 Investments, Then/Now Certificates.

Accepted the resignation of Mary Ann Martin, Special Education Aide, effective June 30, 2004, for the purpose of retirement.

Employed the following substitute personnel, contingent on satisfactory BCII reports:

Wendy Alsept	Monitor
Scott Simmons	Custodian, Bus Driver (pending certification)
Julie Vega	Aide, Cook, Custodian

Employed Mary O'Farrell as high school guidance secretary at Step 2/\$10.53 per hour, effective February 23, 2004, for the remainder of the 2003-04 school year.

Authorized the Treasurer to advertise for bids to replace two 72-passenger school buses.

Granted use of districts fields to Bolivar Baseball/Softball Association and Mineral City Baseball Association for spring/summer 2004 programs.

Approved rental of 2-3 buses to the Canal Society of Ohio, Inc. for a tour of the Sandy and Beaver Canal on April 3, 2004.

Employed Gail Wise for the position of Cafeteria Supervisor/Assistant Supervisor of Transportation and Buildings/Grounds, effective February 17, 2004, through July 31, 2005, for 260 days per year at an annual salary of \$24,00 from 2/17/04-7/31/04, and \$28,000 from 8/1/04-7/31/05, plus all fringe benefits being received by the Supervisor of Buildings/Grounds and Transportation. **Accepted** resignation of Gail Wise as a bus driver, effective February 16, 2004.

Approved an agreement with 3SG for conversion of voucher packages at a cost of \$.12 per image.

Approved a high school Stage Band trip to Boston, Massachusetts, April 1-5, 2004, to attend a clinic and perform with the Berkley School of Music.

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Recognized students for their accomplishments and achievements:

Heather Charton	Participant in The Ohio State University Honor Band, the Bowling Green University State Honor Band, the Ohio Band Directors' Conference Honor Band, and the OMEA District VIII Honor Band
Andrea Schott	Participant in The Ohio State University Honor Band, the Bowling Green State University Honor Band, the Capital University Honor Band, the Ohio Band Directors' Conference Honor Band, and the OMEA District VIII Honor Band
Bronson Witting	Participant in the Ohio University Honor Band, The Ohio State University Honor Band, the Bowling Green State University Honor Band, and the OMEA District VIII Honor Band
Andrew Harper Mary Ellen Lane Josey Noon	Participants in the OMEA District VIII Honor Band
Rochelle Reamy	2004 District Spelling Bee Champion. Rochelle, an 8 th grade student, will participate in the Repository Regional Grand Final Spelling Bee in March.

Heard a Public Relations Committee Report from Susan Kaschak. To date, two meetings have been held and 5 groups have been established. Next meeting: March 2, 2004, 7:00 PM, middle school library.

Heard a Policy Committee Report from Dick Gooding, who reported that the public can access our Policy Book through the Tuscarawas Valley website.

Heard Principal/Supervisor Reports from Mr. Downing, Mrs. Markley, Mrs. Flickinger, and Mr. Raynor. Mr. Price was absent; his report was read by Mr. Bowden.

Discussed Board of Education Goals for 2004.

Next Regular Meeting
Monday, February 9, 2004
7:00 PM

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