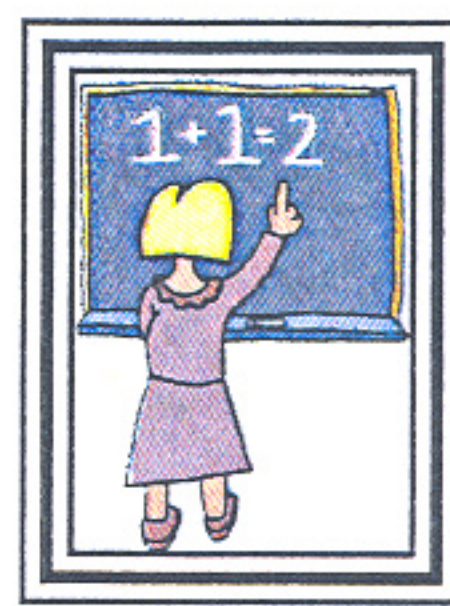


THE SCHOOL RECORD

Minford Local School District

July 25, 2005



Highlights of the July 21, 2005, Regular Meeting of the Minford Local Board of Education

It was an evening of honor, recognition and excitement at the Minford Board of Education meeting.

Alice Butcher who has served Minford Schools as a Bus Driver and Cook was recognized for her many years of service with a plaque presented by Superintendent Dennis Meade. Alice is retiring and the Board and Administration would like to wish her the best in the years to come and thank her for her dedication.

Ralph Hutchinson, former long-time Board Member and Korean War Veteran was presented with his High School Diploma, something that just took a lower spot on his priority list when he left for Korea and served his country well. His family was at the meeting and watched with pride as he was presented the Minford Diploma, mounted with an American Flag background, by Superintendent Meade. Members of the Minford Board, President Troy Huff, Vice-President Anita McGinnis, Joe Stockham, John Jenkins and Mark Caudill thanked Ralph for his call to duty and his return to do so many good services for the Minford School District and the Minford Community.

Lori Rolfe, Academically Advanced teacher and her students, Emma Shoemaker, Amber

Gleim and Autumn Ward demonstrated the results of their attendance on an AEP sponsored workshop, called AEGIS (AEP Engineering Girls In Science). They were one of only four groups chosen. Their project was to build an electric bike that would generate electricity to run lights and other appliances. During transit, some wires were pulled apart but former Ohio Power employee, Ralph Hutchinson, saved the day and the Board was treated to the demonstration with Superintendent Meade providing the bicycle power (and laughs). Lori and the girls are commended for their very successful project.

Bill Baker, of MSA Architects, presented the conceptual drawings for the new football stadium bleachers, buildings and fieldhouse as well as drawings for the new soccer/track building. Excitement is growing as Minford gets near to their timeline for bidding out the Athletic Sports Complex project. The Athletic Complex Committee will meet on Thursday, July 28, 2005, at 7:00 p.m. in the High School Media Center to review on the status of the project.

In action the Board:

- Employed substitute classified staff.
- Continued membership in the Statewide Coalition for Equity and Adequacy in School Funding.

- Accepted the resignation of Barbara Conaway, Kyle Copley and Kristie Owens. Our best wishes to Barb who will be teaching in her home district, Valley; to Kyle who has taken an administrative position with the Scioto County JVS but will still be coaching Falcon Boys Basketball and to Kristie who will be teaching at Symmes Valley close to her home.
- Employed Timothy Sutton as an Intervention Specialist assigned to the Middle/High Schools. Welcome Tim!
- Employed Jesse Ruby as a Social Students teacher assigned to the High School. Welcome Jesse!
- Employed Jill Anderson as a Math teacher assigned to teach our eighth graders High School Algebra. Welcome Jill!
- Approved supplemental contracts:
 - Jamie Jenkins - Girls Varsity Volleyball Assistant Coach
 - Sarah Barker - Girls Jr. High Volleyball Assistant (7th grade)
- Accepted the K-8 Student Handbooks and the High School Student Handbook for 2005-2006.
- Approved several federal fund programs. Public comments for the utilization of Title 1, IDEA-B funds are solicited and may be directed to the following coordinators by calling 740.820.3896:
 - Mrs. Amy O'Dell - Title 1
 - Mr. Glenn Franke - Title II-A, Title II-D Tech, Title V, IDEA-B and Title VI-B Rural
- Continued employment of Sheree Cordle as Student Support Aide.
- Employed Phyllis Donahoe as a three-hour, part-time as-needed Custodian assigned to the K-8 building.
- Employed the following as part-time, as-needed Handicapped Student Aides; Lena Gambill, Diane McGraw, Sharilyn Miller, Norma Shoemaker
- Approved a salary increase for Superintendent, Dennis Meade who is entering his twentieth year as Minford Schools Superintendent.
- Had a first reading of the revised Board Policy GBE-R-2 "Staff Health and Safety." Provided input for the Policy Review Committee on the Staff Conflict of Interest/Nepotism Proposed Policy.
- Entered into contract with the South Central Ohio ESC and Valley School District for handicapped student services.
- Accepted the Ohio Reads Grant for \$20,000.00 for each of the next two years. Thanks to Amy O'Dell and Glenn Franke for their efforts to secure this grant.
- Changed the time and place of the August 18, 2005 Board of Education Meeting. The regular August meeting of the Minford Board of Education will be August 18, 2005, 7:00 p.m.. In the Middle School Media Center on Falcon Road. Board Members wish to assist in the Open House for parents and students to be held at the K-8 building from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m on August 18. Each year Minford K-8 teachers offer this Open House to encourage parents and students to come and see their new classrooms and get to know their teachers.