

## Middle school idea raised

# Dover board handles routine items Monday

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Routine matters were handled at the Dover board of education meeting Monday night which followed a session of picture taking for the school yearbook, "The Swirl."

George Aebersold, clerk-treasurer, was authorized to request advance draws on tax collections as available during 1973 and to borrow money within state regulations to meet the payroll when tax monies are not available.

In other action, at the recommendation of Supt. Bill Kinneer, the board:

— **GRANTED** a 21-week leave of absence to Terry Krause, an instructor in the music department who will be serving in the military reserve, and employed Robert McFerren Jr., 22, of Mantua to replace him for the balance of the school year. McFerren was given a 109-day limited contract for \$4315.

— **NAMED** Connie Thern, Judith Doney, Linda Smucker, Roger Robinson and Linda Weiland to the substitute teacher list.

— **APPROVED** attendance at a junior high and middle school conference at Columbus for Charles Wilson, junior high principal.

— **AGREED** to provide home instruction for David Reynolds, a 4th grade student at St. Joseph's School who fractured a leg and is unable to attend classes. State law provides for such instruction for non-public school students.

— **APPROVED** a request to change the teacher in-service day in the elementary school from Feb. 19 to March 12 to enable them to visit other schools. It

was noted that on the original date many schools are closed because of the Washington's birthday holiday.

**AT AN INFORMAL** study session following the regular meeting, an outline of goals for the coming year were discussed, including:

The need to provide facilities to meet the growing curriculum. This includes the possibility of building a middle school for grades six through eight, to eliminate over-crowded conditions in the elementary schools by taking 6th grades out of them and relieving the same situation in the high school by providing facilities for the 7th and 8th grades.

The possibility of providing a bus to transport the 15 handicapped students in the county to special schools in Canton instead of taking them in private cars as now is being done. Supt. Kinneer reported that such a specially-equipped bus would cost \$10,000 with re-imbursement by the state covering a seven-year period.

The board also:

Agreed to accept the invitation issued by South School PTA for the board to present the program at the Jan. 22 meeting.

Announced its intention of looking into the possibilities of providing cosmetology classes for juniors and seniors, with such sessions to be taught at a licensed beauty school, and permitting qualified junior-year students to take college courses at Tuscarawas Campus of Kent State University.

All matters were discussed informally and no action was taken.