

Dover school board hears teaching conference report

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Dover board of education's meeting Monday night lasted only an hour and comprised routine matters and a report by two teachers.

Miss Donna Moore and Mrs. Tom (Lois) Armstrong reported on an ITA (initial teaching alphabet) conference they attended in Bethlehem, Pa.

They pointed out that 18 years of research have gone into the program in Bethlehem and nine years of presentation of the program there have proven successful.

Miss Moore reported on the acceptance of the program in the Dover system since its introduction more than five years ago. She cited specific improvements in the students' ability to learn to read earlier under the ITA program.

Mrs. Armstrong told of the speakers, simulated classrooms and programs used at the conference.

THE BOARD PASSED a resolution approving George Aebersold, clerk-treasurer, to advertise for two 66-pas-

senger buses to be purchased in time for the opening of the 1973-74 school year.

Supt. Bill Kinneer explained that it was necessary to begin advertising for bids now in order to have them available in time to apply to the state for aid in financing the purchase.

Paul Quicksall and board president Carl Pissocra were appointed to serve as members of the Buckeye Joint Vocational School board. New plans call for the JVS district to be made up of Dover and New Philadelphia City schools and Strasburg and Conotton Valley Local schools with other area schools joining by resolution or sending students to the school on a tuition basis.

On the recommendation of Kinneer, Thomas Daniels was approved as junior high wrestling coach with a supplemental contract of \$350. Mary Lou Patterson as coach of the junior high cheerleaders at \$100 and Thomas Pohn as junior high bowling supervisor at \$250.

THE BOARD ACCEPTED the resignation of Jerry Froman as a bus driver and named Mrs. Ruth Slentz to replace

him. A change in working hours at an area plant made it necessary for Froman to resign. It was stated that Mrs. Slentz has completed tests required by the state to be eligible to drive a school bus.

Named to the substitute teachers' list were Cynthia Douglas Danzo, Sarah Kaserman, Janet Brooker, Robert Paine, Ruth Boone, Marjorie Ridenbaugh and Linda Eaton.

Approval was given for a number of teachers and administrators to attend workshops and meetings in their particular fields.

A high school diploma was granted James Barlock who recently completed the necessary requirements.

Several study sessions were set up by the board with the next regular meeting slated for Nov. 13.

Prior to the meeting, board members inspected the three boilers which recently were installed in the high school.