

Dover school levy vote set

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Finances and school safety were the major concerns of members of the Dover board of education Monday night.

The board passed a resolution declaring the need for an additional 2.75 mills for operating expenses. School district residents will vote on the tax levy in November. If approved by voters, the levy would give the board funds deemed necessary for capital improvements, land purchase and "would probably see us through with necessary operating funds through 1975," according to Supt. Bill Kinneer.

Board members agreed to present "a problem of community safety" to city council following a report on a changed school bus schedule by Donald Peters, supervisor in charge of transportation.

No student loading or unloading will take place in front of the high school on Walnut st. this year. School buses will stop only on 5th and 6th sts.

Anticipating a traffic problem at Walnut and 6th, the board is considering a traffic patrolman, a blinker light or eventually a traffic light at the intersection to solve it.

"We cannot, by law, hire a traffic patrolman," Kinneer said. "The big need will be only for a brief time in the morning and afternoon, but the need for traffic control is great while it lasts. We will be happy to cooperate with council and we must view it as a community problem."

Peters noted major changes in the bus schedule included the use of 11 instead of the usual 13 buses this year with two buses being used to transport Tuscarawas Central Catholic students. He said that each bus would have a long high school route and short elementary route or vice versa and the short high school bus route students may find they will be getting home from classes some 10 minutes later than last year.

Board member Carl Pissocra noted another definite safety problem at East Elementary because of double parking and lack of a teachers' parking lot. Kinneer also will discuss that problem with councilmen.

A LENGTHY DISCUSSION preceded action to raise the price for school lunches.

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Elementary student lunches were raised five cents to 40 cents. Elementary teachers will pay 55 cents. High school students also will pay five cents more, 50 cents per meal, and teachers will pay 65 cents.

Items in the ala carte line in the high school cafeteria also will be raised. Kinneer said it is quite possible that the five cent increases will not hold throughout the school year.

The board split the milk contract between Goshen Dairy and Superior Dairy, with Pissocra voting against it. He stated his position that the board should buy from the locally-owned Goshen Dairy. Bids from both dairies were the same and each said that if the price of milk goes up they reserve the right to re-negotiate.

Kinneer gave a pessimistic report, saying that information is that there will be no reimbursement on school milk programs from the federal government.

"This means we are going to have to charge 10 cents for half a pint of milk. Last year we charged four cents. We still have reimbursement for needy lunches. The word is out, however, that the bill now before Congress will cut the national school lunch program from \$96 million to \$24 million. We are watching this closely and will immediately change prices if we receive any relief."

THE BOARD ALSO increased extra-

curricular stipends for Terry Miller, ninth grade baseball, to \$250; Martha Thomas, junior high tennis, to \$200; Beryl Scharein, girls senior high track, \$350, girls senior high volleyball, \$200; Jeff Eklund, intramural golf, \$150; Cliff Schrader, varsity tennis, \$200; Dick Marshall, seventh grade basketball, \$350; Richard Tidrick, intramural bowling, \$250 and Ralph Padgitt, mathematics department chairman, succeeding retired Irvin Mizer, \$300.

Coaches for senior high girls tennis, girls varsity basketball and junior high girls track have not yet been assigned.

IN OTHER ACTION, the board:

Designated both the Peoples National Bank and Reeves Banking and Trust Co. as depositories for school funds.

Hired Linda Eaton as junior high mathematics instructor, Margaret Ann Brunner as elementary teacher and Katherine Feller as clerk-typist at Park Elementary.

Reappointed Dr. James J. Houglan as school physican and Dr. Donald Mastin as team physican with the stipulation that Dr. Mastin has the final say as to when a high school athlete, injured in an interscholastic contest, can play again.

Authorized Dover Auto Supply to continue to supply petroleum products for the schools.