

Dover school calendar changed, maintenance, bus reports heard

During its session Monday night, the Dover board of education handled some details for the 1975-76 school year and heard reports on bus routes, high school improvements and library materials selection.

One school calendar change was approved, to comply with the state law requiring observance of Martin Luther King Day on Jan. 19. The calendar as previously approved dismissed classes for President's Day, Feb. 16.

Supt. Bill Kinneer noted that the change, to dismiss classes on Jan. 19, was in conformity with the law and with other school district schedules.

Building improvements completed during the summer, as outlined by Kinneer, included: Blacktopping at East, South and Dover Avenue schools, sealing of blacktop at Park, new lighting in 20

classrooms at the junior-senior high, painting of the administration building and trim at the high school, as well as interior painting.

Don Peters, administrative assistant, reported that one elementary school bus run will be eliminated this year because of the drop in enrollment and bus route changes. This will make one additional bus available, he said, for emergency and field trip use.

The board decided to purchase gasoline for the school year from the Dover Pit Stop, based on its quote of a five-cent-per-gallon discount. The other five businesses responding with quotes ranged from no discount to three cents per-gallon. More than 33,000 gallons per year are used, Peters noted.

A REPORT WAS given by Chris Tucker, high school librarian, on the updated

policy of selecting library materials.

It included formation of a policy committee representing parents, faculty, students, administrators and librarians to establish a procedure if any complaints are received about the acceptability of material.

The final responsibility, she said, would rest with the board or the administration but she noted only one complaint had been filed within the past two years.

She also reported on the expansion of the media centers, aimed at providing all types of learning materials which will enrich and support the curriculum.

Robert Schrock, high school principal, attended the meeting to discuss a previously submitted principal's report. Among recommendations discussed were:

The possibility of shortening the school year to avoid late June classes; needs for improvement in methods of teaching English; the need for additional high school counseling, and the possibility of improved driver's education facilities.

Mrs. Isabel Moore, board president, stated she felt a need for a woman to serve as a girls' counselor and asked Schrock to present a specific recommendation at a future meeting.

FIVE STUDENTS were approved for graduation, as a result of attending summer school sessions. They were Uark Davidson, Carol Ann Fey, Dale and Gail Melton and Carol Jean Moore. The additional graduates set the total for the class of 1975 at 267. In other business, the board:

— **NAMED** 48 persons to the substitute teacher list and 18 regular teachers to work as part-time substitutes.

— **ACCEPTED** resignations for extra-curricular assignments from Cynthia A. McInnes, adviser of Crimson Cadettes because of lack of interest from the students, and Terry Corder as 7th grade basketball coach because he is attending graduate school at night.

— **HIRE**D Susanne Schupbach of Dover as a teacher in the high school business department.

— **APPROVED** the purchase of milk for the cafeterias from both Goshen and Superior dairies, identical bid prices of 8.9 at their identical cents per pint for white milk and 9.85 for chocolate, with the contracts to be divided up among the schools.

— **RE-EMPLOYED** Dr. James Houghlan as school physician at the same retainer fee of \$500.