

Board Approved

Salaries below average

The recent increase in administrative salaries approved by the Dallas School Board are with a few exceptions below the average of administrators listed by participating districts across the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Approximately 50 percent of the districts in the same classification as Dallas, by size 5 and by wealth 3, submitted administrative salaries to the state. These salaries were reported at different times during the 1981-82, according to the date the increases were approved by each district.

The average salaries by size and wealth including the inflationary figure for 1982-83 school year are as follows: Superintendent, \$45,327; Assistant superintendent, \$36,927; Secondary principals, \$33,798; Assistant secondary principals, \$28,509; Elementary principals \$30,648; and business manager, \$27,512.

In approving administration salaries the board increased Dr. Richard Shipe, district superintendent's salary from \$41,500 to \$44,500 annually, or \$3,000, approximately \$1,000 below the average across the state. Gerald J. Wycalis, assistant to the superintendent, was increased from \$32,000 to \$35,000, \$1,927 lower than the average.

Edgar W. Hughes, Jr., senior high principal,

received an increase of \$4,800 from \$29,200 to \$34,000, \$202 above the average. His years of tenure within the district were taken into consideration by the board. Former junior high assistant principal, Daniel M. Poorman, was named principal of the junior high at an annual salary of \$28,500, \$2,500 more than his 1981-82 salary of \$25,500 but \$5,298 less than the estimated state average.

Frank Galicki of Mocaqua was appointed assistant senior high principal, to replace the position left open by Dr. Brook Hunt's resignation at an annual salary of \$25,500 or \$3,009 below the state estimated average.

Elementary principal Ruth Husband's salary was increased from \$25,500 to \$27,000 or \$3,648 less than the estimated average. Westmoreland elementary principal Samuel A. Barboso received an increase of \$1,800 annually from \$22,600 to \$24,400, \$6,248 less than the estimated average of \$30,648.

Business manager Sandra Rohrbach's increase in salary from \$18,000 to \$22,000 is \$5,512 below the estimated state average of \$27,512.

The approved administrative salaries come to a total of \$269,800, or \$26,440 below the estimated average of administration salaries of participating schools of the same size and wealth across the Commonwealth.

Police take part in survey

If your local neighborhood police officer appears to be looking extra long at your vehicle as it passes on the highway, it is not necessary to become overly alarmed. A number of area patrolmen are involved in answering a survey for the Pennsylvania Police Chief's Association, to be used in lobbying a piece of legislation requiring dual license plates for motor vehicles.

The survey has an interesting twist, as it is also being taken in neighboring Ohio, which already has a dual license system and is considering its abandonment. Similar questions are being asked of patrolmen and traffic control personnel in both states, with the results going to lawmakers for consideration before the next plate issue in 1984.

The survey is being conducted by Market Opinion Research of Detroit, Mich. and is expected to provide valuable information on the use of license plates as a law enforcement tool. Dallas Township patrolmen received copies of the survey last week. Instructions indicated that all patrolmen should answer and several randomly selected officers.

Police Chief, Carl Miers, a member of the Law Committee of the Police Chief's Association, cited

several advantages to the dual plate system. There is, he said, more opportunity for witnesses to notice registration numbers on a vehicle fleeing the scene of a crime. Even a few identifying numbers on a plant render police broadcast descriptions more accurate. Traffic patrolmen are afforded more safety in pursuing a vehicle observed breaking the law as it is possible to note the registration in oncoming traffic.

Opponents indicate the cost of the change will be formidable, but Miers disagrees. "It probably won't be that expensive. The plates are made in prisons. If they can punch out the numbers once, why can't they just do it twice?" Miers also noted the cost of vehicle registration in Pennsylvania is substantially less than it is in surrounding states.

Miers is hoping that attention to the license plate system will also result in a change in the reflector "goof up". He explained the police chiefs pushed to have Pennsylvania license plate reflective numbers for better readability at night. The idea was followed up in the last issuance of plates but it was the background, not the numbers which was made reflective.

New faces at Dallas Area

Three new professional employees joined the staff of Dallas Senior High School during the past two weeks.

Pamela Bird Hargas, Plymouth, was appointed Sophomore Guidance Counselor to fill the position left vacant by the resignation of Millicent Kocher, who returned to her position at United Penn Bank of Dallas.

A graduate of Wyoming Seminary, Ms. Hargas received a B.A. degree in psychology and elementary education from Lycoming College. She has a M. Ed. in counseling from Lehigh University.

Ms. Hargas is presently teaching general psychology at Luzerne County Community College. Prior to returning to Wyoming Valley, she held a position as counselor at Holy Cross High School in Lynchburg, Va. Her first position was at Wyoming Valley West as a counselor.

In addition to sophomore counselor, she will serve as INCOMES (I Now Can Organize My Employment Skills) Counselor.

Paul Brown of Wilkes-Barre is the new health and physical education teacher, filling the position held by Clint Brobst, who retired at the beginning of the

school term.

He has a B.S. degree in health and physical education from West Chester State College. Prior to accepting the position at Dallas Senior High, he was employed by the Luzerne Intermediated Unit in its special education program.

The new assistant high school principal replacing Dr. Brook Hunt is Frank Galicki of Mocaqua. Prior to his appointment at Dallas, Galicki was assistant junior high school principal in the Berwick School District.

He graduated from Nanticoke High School where he was a member of the varsity football team and received a B.A. in social studies education from Wilkes-Barre where he also played football.

Galicki received his Masters from Scranton University and his principal's certificate in 1978.

He taught at Northwest High School from 1973 to 1978 before going to Berwick. He is married to the former Teresa Brown of Wilkes-Barre. They have three girls, Doramorie, age two; and twins, Tess and Lena, ages one.

Galicki is presently an assistant coach in football at Wilkes College. He hopes to re-locate in the Dallas Area in the near future.



HALLOWEEN'S IN THE AIR--Halloween's in the air and enough, she had to carve a pumpkin for each of the children, Kristel Poynton gets set to make a Jack-O-Lantern for Bill Kingsbury (left) and Jennifer Geiger (right). One wasn't ches and goblins.

Roads Damaged

Police warn bus contractor

Kingston Township Police have issued several warnings to the bus driver and school bus contractor Leon Emmanuel concerning damage to the pavement of Harris Hill Road. Police say an extended tailpipe on Bus No. 3 scrapes the pavement on the road, causing it to tear up. Police Chief Paul Sabol said the problem has been ongoing since the start of the school year.

Don Moss, inspections mechanic for Emmanuel, explained the problem is not with the bus itself. "We have five buses traveling that route every day and only one hits," he said. "If it were the bus, they'd all be hitting."

Moss said the same problem exists at the entrance to the Westmoreland School. This situation is much worse, he noted. "If the driver comes out too fast, he's going

to hit. They are all carrying 72 person loads which adds to the weight. But I can take anyone of our buses through those areas and not hit."

Sabol said he is particularly concerned that the problem be resolved because the road is new and it is being destroyed. "We don't know if we will cite anyone or not," he said. "We're looking into that right now."

Burglary nets firearms

Jackson Township Police Chief and Pennsylvania State Trooper Robert Stizer are continuing an investigation into a burglary at an RD 2 Dallas home, which netted thieves seven firearms, several of vintage quality. The home of Meryl Wagner was burglarized sometime during the hours of 7 and 9:15 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 15.

Taken, along with the firearms, was a 13" Zenith color television, a General Electric radio-cassette

recorder combination, a fire extinguisher and \$30. The firearms included a Mossburg bolt action .22 rifle with four power Bushnell scope; a .32 caliber Winchester Special, pre 1864 model, lever action; an Ithica featherweight, 20 gauge pump shotgun; a .50 caliber Thompson-Hawkins black powder rifle; a 45 caliber Pennsylvania long Kentucky rifle, black powder; a 308 caliber Remington 780 rifle; and a .38 special, four inch blue barrel revolver.

Halloween vandalism begun

Kingston Township Police Chief Paul Sabol has already received calls from citizens complaining of property vandalism normally associated with the Halloween season. Sabol said his department will have increased patrols throughout the next two weeks.

Anyone caught destroying or damaging property, whether it be with eggs, tomatoes or by some other means, will be arrested and charged with criminal mischief on a summary offense. Persons convicted of the offense will be subject to fines.



NEW EMPLOYEES--Edgar W. Hughes, Dallas Senior High School principal, reviews school policies with the three new professional employees at the high school. Seated, left to right, are Pam Hargas,

guidance counselor; Hughes; Frank Galicki, assistant high school principal; standing, Paul Brown, health and physical education teacher.



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