

WALDRON AREA SCHOOLS  
BOARD OF EDUCATION

A regular meeting of the Waldron Area Schools Board of Education was held on April 14, 2008 and was called to order at 7:30p.m. by president, Richard Storehalder. Members present were Scott Knapp, Joe Fether, Richard Storehalder, Bonnie Leininger, Tom Schaedler, Robin Ryan and Dianna Oates. Administrators present were Fred Bowers, Acting Superintendent and Steve Philipp, Secondary Principal. Members of the audience joined the Board in reciting the Pledge to the American flag.

The Board of Education waived the reading of the minutes and approved the Waldron Area School March 10, 2008 regular meeting minutes.

Motion by member T. Schaedler, support by member B. Leininger that the Board approve the payment of general fund bills with check #21915-51954 and #16078-16082, and 16086. Motion passed 7 – 0.

Motion by member R. Ryan, support by member J. Fether that we discontinue technology services from Processing Technologies effective immediately. Motion passed 7 – 0.

In new business, the request for reinstatement by an expelled student's parents has been tabled until next meeting when the administration can collect more information.

Mrs. Robinson, the high school band instructor, presented information on a possible band trip to Disney for Spring of 2009. Motion by member B. Leininger, support by T. Schaedler that the board grant Mrs. Robinson permission to investigate trip options. Motion passed 7 – 0.

Motion by member T. Schaedler, support by member S. Knapp that the Board approve a resolution for non-renewal of Stephen Philipp's contract as K-12 principal. Motion passed 7 – 0.

Motion by member S. Knapp, support by member R. Ryan that the Board approve a resolution for non-renewal of Holly Clark's contract as Dean of Students. Motion passed 5 – 2 (yes – Ryan, Knapp, Schaedler, Fether, Storehalder no – Leininger, Oates)

Motion by member S. Knapp, support by member T. Schaedler that the Board approve the staff reductions as recommended by Mr. Bowers, Acting Superintendent (Mr. Stiver – High School Social Studies, Ms. Wilcox – Elementary, and Mr. Leathead – High School Math). Motion passed 7 – 0.

Mr. Bowers, Acting Superintendent, presented a proposal for a rearrangement of the bookkeeping responsibilities for 2008-2009. Motion by member T. Schaedler, support by member J. Fether to allow Patty Knapp to continue to investigate the possibilities to reduce the bookkeeping costs by sharing staff with other surrounding districts. Motion passed 7 – 0.

Superintendent/Principal candidate applications have been reviewed and Board members have made recommendations for candidates to interview. Board members will be calling references on selected candidates and determine which ones to interview at a later meeting.

Motion by member R. Ryan to adjourn at 9:40 p.m. Motion died due to lack of support.

President Storehalder set a special meeting for Monday, April 21, 2008 to select the Superintendent candidates for interviews. The meeting will be posted appropriately.

Motion by member R. Ryan, support by member B. Leininger to adjourn at 9:48 p.m. Motion passed 7 – 0.

\*\*Notes taken by Business Manager, Patty Knapp