

WALDRON AREA SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION

A regular meeting of the Waldron Area School Board of Education was held on August 11, 2003, and was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by the president, Richard Storehalder. Members present were R. Storehalder, M. Baker, D. Oates, H. Emens, and T. Schaedler. Members absent were B. Leininger and S. Knapp. Members of the audience joined the board in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Motion by member T. Schaedler, seconded by member H. Emens that the Board of Education waive the reading of the minutes and approve the Waldron Area School District Board of Education July 14, 2002, regular meeting minutes and the Waldron Area School District Board of Education organizational meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried 5 – 0.

Motion by member M. Baker, seconded by member H. Emens that the Board of Education approve and pay general fund bills covered by checks #19709 through 19761 and #15738 through #15745. Motion carried 5 – 0.

Member R. Storehalder reported that the Negotiation Committee had not met. Member D. Oates reported that the Personnel Committee had met with the district's administrative team to discuss contracts and responsibilities.

Superintendent Merfeld apprised the Board regarding sinking fund projects. He reported that the paving project was finished and that the handicap accessible door handles and new locks had been ordered, but had not yet arrived.

Motion by member H. Emens, seconded by member T. Schaedler that the Board of Education approve the Secondary Handbook as modified. Motion carried 5 – 0.

Motion by member M. Baker, seconded by member D. Oates that the Board of Education approve the Elementary Handbook as presented. Motion carried 5 – 0.

Motion by member D. Oates, seconded by member H. Emens, that the Board of Education accept the resignations of Cindy Eaton and Belinda Miller. Motion carried 5 – 0.

Motion by member T. Schaedler, seconded by member D. Oates that the Board of Education recall Mr. Glenn Hoffman from layoff status. Motion carried 5 – 0.

Motion by member M. Baker, seconded by member T. Schaedler that the Board of Education direct Superintendent Merfeld to pursue the new security system provided by a grant written by the Hillsdale County Sheriff's Department as discussed. Motion carried 5 – 0.

Motion by member D. Oates, seconded by member T. Schaedler that the Board of Education approve contracts for Superintendent/High School Principal, Scott Merfeld; Elementary/Middle School Principal, Sandra Schantl; Business Manager, Sue Gruber; Administrative Assistant,

Patricia Knapp; Elementary Secretary, Paula Klingler; and High School/Middle School Secretary, Linda Pelham as presented and discussed. Motion carried 5 – 0.

Motion by member H. Emens, seconded by member D. Oates that the Board of Education approve the attached resolution determining the 2003-2004 school term as detailed in the Revised School Code. Motion carried 5 – 0.

Motion by member D. Oates, seconded by member M. Baker that the Board of Education grant the Athletic Boosters use of the district's ball fields, concession stands, and showers for the Labor Day Softball Marathon. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by member H. Emens, seconded by member T. Schaedler that the Board of Education approve the attached resolution determining compliance with Section 105 and Section 105c of the State School Aid Act. Motion carried 5 – 0.

Motion by member M. Baker, seconded by member H. Emens that the Board of Education approve the attached resolution to authorizing payment without presentment lost, destroyed or wrongfully taken bonds and other evidences of indebtedness issued by the District. Motion carried 5 – 0.

Member Harold Emens volunteered to serve as the Board's voting delegate for the MASB election to be held on Thursday, November 6, 2003.

Mr. Merfled, superintendent, thanked the Board of Education for allowing him the opportunity to serve the district and expressed optimism for the new school year.

Motion by member D. Oates, seconded by member H. Emens to adjourn at 8:48 p.m. Motion carried 5 – 0.