

WALDRON AREA SCHOOLS  
BOARD OF EDUCATION

A regular meeting of the Waldron Area Schools Board of Education was held on February 14, 2005, and was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by president, Richard Storehalder. Members present were Dianna Oates, Harold Emens, Tom Schaedler, Mark Baker, Scott Knapp, and Richard Storehalder. Member Bonnie Leininger was absent. Members of the audience joined the Board in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The Board of Education waived the reading of the minutes and approved the Waldron Area School District board of Education January 10, 2005, regular meeting minutes and the February 7, 2005, special meeting minutes.

Motion by member M. Baker, seconded by H. Emens that the Board of Education approve and pay general fund bills covered by check #15844 through #15858 and #20510 through #20543. Motion carried 6 – 0.

Member S. Knapp reported that the Negotiation Committee met on February 9, 2005 and negotiations for the 2005-2006 school year are in progress.

Mrs. Sandra Schantl, principal, presented the elementary and middle school reports.

A second reading of the Michigan Merit Award Community Service Policy was held (see attached). Motion by member T. Schaedler, seconded by H. Emens that the Board approve the policy. Motion carried 6 – 0.

There was a presentation to the Board by the FFA Ag Issues team. The presentation included information on Mega Farms. The students are preparing for regional competition and are required to present to three public groups before they are allowed to proceed to the state level.

Transportation director, Dave Hephner has requested Board approval to hire a new substitute bus driver. Motion by member S. Knapp, second by member T. Schaedler to hire Tonya Ross as the new substitute bus driver. Motion carried 6 – 0.

Names of the Spring coaches were presented to the Board by Mr. Bowers for approval. Motion by member S. Knapp, seconded by member H. Emens. Motion carried 6 – 0.

The teaching staff has offered to help the Board in their search for a new superintendent by reviewing the applications and offering input. Members must first be placed on the search committee to gain access to the resumes that are currently confidential. Motion by member M. Baker, seconded by member R. Storehalder that the Board appoint 2 members of the teaching staff to the superintendent search committee. Motion failed 1 - 5. (M. Baker – yes, D. Oates – no, H. Emens – no, R. Storehalder – no, T. Schaedler – no, S. Knapp – no). Motion by D. Oates, seconded by M. Baker that the Board appoint 3

members of the teaching staff, allowing one from each level; elementary, middle school, and high school to the search committee. Motion fails 3 – 3. (M. Baker – yes, D. Oates – yes, H. Emens – no, R. Storehalder – yes, T. Schaedler – no, S. Knapp – no).

The Board of Education began interviews for the interim superintendent position. Four candidates were interviewed. Motion by member S. Knapp, seconded by H. Emens, that the Board hire Mr. Richard Fauble as the interim superintendent. Motion passed 5 – 1. (T. Schaedler – yes, M. Baker – yes, S. Knapp – yes, D. Storehalder – yes, H. Emens – yes, D. Oates – no).

Motion by member T. Schaedler, seconded by H. Emens to adjourn at 10:30 p.m. Motion carried 6 – 0.