

WALDRON AREA SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION

A regular meeting of the Waldron Area Schools Board of Education was held on January 14, 2008 and was called to order at 7:34p.m. by president, Richard Storehalder. Members present were Scott Knapp, Joe Fether, Richard Storehalder, Bonnie Leininger, and Tom Schaedler; member Robin Ryan was absent and member Dianna Oates arrived at 7:40. Administrator present was 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 December 10, 2007 regular meeting minutes.

Motion by member T. Schaedler, support by member J. Fether that the Board approve the payment of general fund bills with check #21820-21851 and #16048-16056. Motion passed 5 – 0.

In Old Business the board discussed the acquisition of 11 used computers through the Computers For Learning program that allows government offices to donate their computers to schools or other non-profit organizations.

Mr. Brackelman, senior class advisor, presented the final itinerary for the senior trip. Motion by member D. Oates, support by member B. Leininger that the Board approve the trip to Hawaii as presented. Motion passed 5 – 1 (member T. Schaedler cast the one negative vote).

In his Principal's report Mr. Philipp reported that we have had a change in our In-School Suspension room, Ms. Ragsdale will be supervising our room for the second semester. Mrs. Daglow asked Mr. Philipp to present information on a "Big Read" program that she would like her high school literature class to participate in. They will be reading a book entitled *Nineteen Minutes*, listen to several speakers that will be coming into the county, and participating in other activities related to the book along with other students from Hillsdale County.

The Board entered closed session at 8:30 p.m. to discuss a personnel issue. The closed session had been requested in writing by Mr. John McGonigle prior to the meeting. The Board returned to open session at 10:10 p.m.

Motion by member B. Leininger, support by member T. Schaedler that the Board increase compensation for Steve Philipp, acting K-12 principal, by \$75.00 (sub pay rate) per student day beginning December 10, 2007 through the end of the school year. Motion passed 6 – 0.

Motion by member T. Schaedler, support by member B. Leininger that the Board adjourn at 10:34 p.m. Motion passed 6 – 0.

**Notes taken by Business Manager, Patty Knapp