

WALDRON AREA SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION

A regular meeting of the Waldron Area Schools Board of Education was held on May 12, 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 April 14, 2008 regular meeting and the April 21, 2008 special meeting minutes.

During the public comment portion of the meeting, Marney Kast addressed the Board and the audience, introducing herself and explaining her campaign for County Clerk.

Motion by member T. Schaedler, support by member B. Leininger that the Board approve the payment of general fund bills with check #21955 - 21990 and #16084-16085, 16087-16091, 16094 & 16096. Motion passed 7 – 0.

In old business the Board revised the timeline for the Superintendent Search by scheduling the site visits for May 15, 16, and 19, 2008. A special meeting will be held on Friday, May 23, 2008 at 9:00 p.m. to discuss the possibilities of second round interviews.

Mr. Walter Salanta from Dakotah Oil was in attendance to request a lease on the land owned by Waldron Area Schools for the purpose of a non-developmental oil investigation. Motion by member D. Oates, support by member R. Ryan that the Board approve the Oil and Gas Lease from Dakotah Oil pending approval by Thrun. Motion passed 7 – 0.

Motion by member S. Knapp, support by member J. Fether that the Board acknowledges the request from Robin Clark to return from her Leave of Absence. Motion passed 7 – 0.

Motion by member B. Leininger, support by member T. Schaedler that the Board adopt the Hillsdale County Intermediate School District 2008-2009 General Fund Operating Budget Resolution. Motion passed 5 – 2 (yes – Leininger, Ryan, Oates, Fether, Schaedler no – Storehalder, Knapp)

The Board conducted the first reading of the new Table and Chair Rental Policy.

Robin Ryan, class advisor for the Class of 2009, presented the Board with a sign up sheet for the senior trip for the Spring of 2009 showing the interest of more than 50% of the class per the Senior Trip Policy. The Board acknowledged the list but no action was necessary.

Motion by member B. Leininger, support by member R. Ryan to approve the final school calendar for 2007-2008. Changes to this calendar include May 29 & 30 as full days of school and June 2, 3, & 4 will be full days with the year ending on June 5th at noon. Motion passed 7 – 0.

Motion by member T. Schaedler, support by member R. Ryan to adjourn at 8:56 p.m. Motion passed 7 – 0.

Bonnie Leininger, Secretary

**Notes taken by Business Manager, Patty Knapp