

Wapsie Valley Community School District
Board of Education Regular Meeting
January 19, 2009 7:00 p.m.
Jr./Sr. High School Media Center

1. Call to order: Board President Woods called the meeting to order at 7:00 at the Jr./Sr. High School Media Center. In attendance: Board President Randy Woods, Board Member Donna Costello, Board Member Merlyn Duffy, Board Member Scott LaRue, Board Member Jerry VanDaele, Superintendent Chad Garber, Principal Gregg Eschweiler, Principal Laura Medberry, Board Secretary Carol Foster, Rex Ramsey, Chad VanDaele, Dean Mangrich, Kara Shannon, Molly Juhl and Ronald Crooks.
2. Communications, Consideration of Additional Items for the Agenda: none.
3. Approval of Agenda: Motion was made by Duffy and seconded by LaRue to approve the agenda as presented. Motion passed.
4. Approval of Piper Jaffray as District's Financial Advisor: Motion was made by Duffy and seconded by LaRue to approve entry into a formal agreement with Piper Jaffray as financial advisor to the district pending the approval of the contract by our legal representation. Motion passed.
5. Approval of Minutes: Motion was made by LaRue and seconded by Costello to approve the minutes as presented. Motion passed.
6. Business Services:
 - A. Motion was made by LaRue to approve the warrants as presented. Motion was seconded by Duffy. Motion passed.
 - B. Motion was made by Duffy and seconded by LaRue to approve the Budget and Treasurer's Report as presented. Motion passed.
7. Public Comment: None
8. Personnel: None
9. Reading Strategy Presentation: Think Aloud: Kara Shannon, 3rd grade teacher in Fairbank Elementary demonstrated the "think aloud" reading strategy that has been implemented in our elementary schools. This strategy is an important part of instruction in our K-6 classrooms, as well as a continuing presence in district professional development experiences.
10. Open Enrollment: Motion was made by Duffy and seconded by LaRue to approve the open enrollment of Sabrina Deen Williams from the Dunkerton School District. Motion passed.

11. Principal Reports: Principal Medberry discussed DRA and BRI testing in the elementary schools as well as the “think aloud” strategy progress that was made during the teacher in-service. Elementary Guidance Counselor Molly Juhl was present and reported on the “kiss the pig” fundraiser held at Fairbank and Readlyn Elementary schools. Principal Eschweiler discussed the end of the first semester, Second Chance Reading, ITBS testing results, and upcoming events at the Jr./Sr. High School.
12. Budget Process Review: Superintendent Garber gave a PowerPoint presentation regarding the FY 2010 budget.
13. Post Prom Committee Request for Support: Motion was made by VanDaele and seconded by Duffy to approve the donation in the amount of \$250 for post prom festivities. Motion passed.
14. Schedule Work Session: Motion was made by Duffy to schedule a work session on Monday, February 2, 2009 beginning at 6:30 p.m. The focus of the work session will be to discuss the restructured administrative team. This was seconded by VanDaele. Motion passed.
15. Adjournment: Motion was made by VanDaele and seconded by Costello to adjourn. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

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