

Wapsie Valley Community School District
Board of Education Regular Meeting
March 16, 2009 7:00 p.m.
Wapsie Valley Jr./Sr. High School Media Center

1. Call to order: Board President Woods called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Wapsie Valley 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, Hallee Wiersma, Zach Arthur, Jill Bjorklund, Benji Medberry, Linda Wittenburg, Cheryl Kleitsch, Ron Crooks and Keith Oltrogge.
2. Delegations, 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. Student Presentation: Speech coach Jill Bjorklund introduced students Hallee Wiersma and Zach Arthur. These students presented the pieces that they performed at the state speech contest where they received Division I ratings. Mrs. Bjorklund also visited briefly about some of the opportunities to present and learn that the students have when becoming involved in the speech program at Wapsie Valley.
5. FY 2008 Audit of Wapsie Valley Community Schools: Keith Oltrogge presented the District Financial Audit for FY 2008.
6. Approval of Minutes: Motion was made by Duffy and seconded by VanDaele to approve the minutes from the February 16, 2009 Regular Meeting and March 11, 2009 Special Meeting. Motion passed.
7. Business Services:
 - A. Warrants: Board Member Duffy made a motion to pay the warrants as presented. Motion was seconded by Costello. Motion passed.
 - B. Budget & Treasurer's Report: Motion was made by VanDaele and seconded by Duffy to approve the Budget and Treasurer's Report. Motion passed.
8. Public Comment: none
9. Personnel: Motion was made by Duffy to approve the resignation of Laura Medberry as K-6 principal and K-8 rural principal and Erin Burmeister as 5th grade teacher at Readlyn Elementary. Motion was seconded by LaRue. Motion passed. Motion was made by LaRue to approve the hiring of Cody Jones as Jr. High Boys track and field coach. Motion was seconded by Duffy. Motion passed.
10. Open Enrollment: Superintendent Garber informed the board that Zander Norman and Crayden Norman will be attending the Denver Community Schools next year.
11. Diagnostic Reading Assessment Presentation: Cheryl Kleitsch and Linda Wittenburg, representing second grade instructors at Wapsie Valley, demonstrated how the Diagnostic Reading Assessment is administered in our K-2 classrooms. After giving the test, the teachers explained the process they use to administer this assessment to their students as well as how they use the data they collect from the assessment in their classroom. Mrs. Medberry shared with the Board two

- examples of instructional decisions that are made based on a student's results on the DRA and other reading assessments. Mr. Eschweiler shared with the Board an overview of 2nd grade student data from the Fall and Mid-year testing of the DRA.
12. Summer 2009 Driver's Education Contract and Fees: Motion was made by Costello and seconded by VanDaele to approve the hiring of Gary Ewald as drivers education instructor for the 2009 summer and keep the fees at \$275.00 per student. Motion passed.
 13. FY 2010 Certified Budget: Superintendent Garber presented the proposed budget for FY2010.
 14. Board Policy Review 104 and 503.1: Superintendent Garber reviewed the Board Policies 104 and 503.1 and informed the board that after visiting with Matt Carver, legal consultant for SAI, Angie Kendall, consultant for IASB, and Mary Gannon, attorney for IASB our current policies meet the needs of the district in the area of bullying and harassment and student conduct. His recommendation was that, through the work of our administrative team, we develop more concrete guidelines and procedures that support these two policies in the event of a situation where a student makes a threat to another student or adult.
 15. Principal Reports: Principal Eschweiler reported on the excellent job that guest speaker Mark Scharenbroich did; scheduling and the four year plan; Jr. High Science Fair; compass testing for all sophomores; MAP testing; and parent teacher conferences. Principal Medberry discussed literacy week; teacher in-services; and the \$2000.00 donation from Whitetails Unlimited to the elementary library.
 16. Master Calendar School Year 2009-2010: Motion was made by Duffy to approve the 2009-2010 proposed calendar. Motion was seconded by LaRue. Motion passed.
 17. Approval of project to repair brick at jr./sr. high school gymnasium: Motion was made by Duffy to approve the removal of 145 sq. feet of damaged masonry on the upper gymnasium and to tuckpoint 100 sq. ft. of masonry on the upper gymnasium and to drill weep holes at a cost of \$5,343.00. Motion was seconded by VanDaele. Motion passed.
 18. \$5,025,000 General Obligation School Bonds, Series 2009: Motion was made by Duffy to approve the resolution approving Bankers Trust Company, N.A. of Des Moines, Iowa, to serve as paying agent, bond registrar, and transfer agent, approving the paying agent, bond registrar and transfer agent agreement and authorizing the execution of same; and that the form of Tax Exemption Certificate be placed on file and approved; and that the form of Continuing Disclosure Certificate be placed on file and approved; and that the Resolution authorizing the issuance of general obligation school bonds, series 2009 in the same amount of \$5,025,000 and levying a tax for the payment thereof. These motions were seconded by LaRue. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Duffy, LaRue, Woods, VanDaele, Costello. Nay: none.
 19. Adjournment: Motion was made by VanDaele and seconded by Costello to adjourn. The motion passed and the board adjourned at 10:38 p.m.

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