

Wapsie Valley Community School District
Board of Education Regular Meeting
October 20, 2008 7:00 p.m.
Jr./Sr. High School Media Center

1. Call to order: Board President Randy Woods called the meeting to order at 7:06 at the Jr./Sr. High School Media Center. In attendance: Board President Randy Woods, Board Member Donna Costello, Board Member Scott LaRue, Board Member Jerry VanDaele, Superintendent Chad Garber, Principal Gregg Eschweiler, Principal Laura Medberry, Board Secretary Carol Foster, Dean Mangrich, Aaron Sauerbrei, Dirk Conner, Kyle Leistikow, Tyler Matthias, Geof Grimes, Jenifer Dise. **Absent:** Board Member Merlyn Duffy.
2. Communications & Consideration of Additional Items for the Agenda: Superintendent Garber requested an additional item regarding a change in the school calendar.
3. Approval of Agenda: Motion was made by LaRue and seconded by Costello to approve the agenda with the addition of the change in the school calendar after item 15. Motion passed.
4. Student Presentation: Students Kyle Leistikow and Tyler Matthias along with instructor Dirk Conner gave a presentation regarding the EMC² program that they are enrolled in through Hawkeye Community College.
5. Approval of Minutes: Motion was made by LaRue and seconded by VanDaele to approve the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting with the past board on September 15, 2008 and the Regular Board Meeting with the current board on September 15, 2008, and the Special Board Meeting on September 29, 2008 as presented. Motion passed.
6. Business Services:
 - A. Motion was made by Costello to approve the warrants as presented. Motion was seconded by LaRue. Motion passed.
 - B. Motion was made by VanDaele and seconded by LaRue to accept the Financial & Treasurer's Report as presented. Motion passed.
7. Public Comment: none.
8. Request for out of state travel: Motion was made by Costello to approve the out of state travel to Branson, Missouri by the instrumental and vocal programs. Motion was seconded by LaRue. Motion passed.
9. Update on fire marshal's report: Superintendent Garber updated the Board on his trip to Des Moines to meet with Patrick Daughenbaugh who is a plans

reviewer in the fire safety office. He, along with Geof Grimes, Structure Architects, also presented a cost estimate for mechanical, electrical and plumbing repairs to the Fairbank and Readlyn Elementary schools.

10. Resolution calling for a special election on the bond tax: Board Member LaRue introduced the resolution and moved its adoption. Board Member Costello seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Aye: LaRue, Costello, VanDaele, Woods. Nay: none.
11. Approval of School Improvement Advisory Committee: Motion was made by Costello and seconded by LaRue to approve the list of committee members for the School Improvement Advisory Committee (SIAC) that was presented by Superintendent Garber. Motion passed.
12. Annual Progress Report: Superintendent Garber presented the 2007-08 Annual Progress Report that looks at goals set by last years SIAC committee, as well as other student achievement data points from throughout the district. The APR will be available to the public through the district website.
13. Personnel: none
14. Principal Reports: Principal Medberry reported that ITBS testing will begin the first week in November; guided reading program progress, student council projects and curriculum mapping. Principal Eschweiler discussed student driving concerns, FFA National Convention with Jennifer Leistikow running for a National Office, and the elementary trip to EWALU.
15. Bremer, Black Hawk, Fayette, and Buchanan County Conference Boards: Motion was made by Costello to approve the appointment of the following Wapsie Valley School Board members to the various county conference boards:
 - Bremer County – Scott LaRue
 - Buchanan County – Donna Costello
 - Fayette County – Randy Woods
 - Black Hawk – Jerry VanDaele.Motion was seconded by LaRue. Motion passed.
16. Change in School Calendar: Motion was made by Costello to approve the administrative recommendation to hold school until 3:15 on November 26, 2008 rather than have a 1:30 dismissal. Motion was seconded by VanDaele. Motion passed.
17. Adjournment: Motion was made by VanDaele and seconded by LaRue to adjourn. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

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