

**Washington-Caldwell School District
December 15, 2008 - Washington School Library
Board Meeting Minutes**

I. Call to order:

- Mr. Baker called the meeting to order @ 6:30 p.m.
- Pledge of Allegiance

II. Roll Call:

- T. Baker, A. Midthun, F. Theriault, and William Kieckhefer present. T. Bluhm Absent.

III. Closed Session (Wis. Stat. 19.85(1)(c) and (f)):

- Adjourned to closed session at 6:30 PM. Mr. Midthun with second by Mr. Theriault. Motion passed 4-0.
- Return to open session motion by Mr. Midthun with second by Mr. Theriault at 7:02PM. Approved 4-0.

IV. Return to Open Session

V. Agenda:

- Motion to approve by Mr. Midthun. Second by Mr. Kieckhefer. Approved 4-0

VI. Public notice:

- The Public Notice of this meeting was stated and designated at the last regular Board Meeting and additional notice was placed at Washington School, Ron's Super Service, Tichigan Mobile, the Caldwell Town Bulletin Board, Greeley's Country Store, and in the Waterford Post.

VII. Prior Board Minutes:

- Minutes from November 17th, 2008 board meeting were reviewed. Motion to approve by Mr. Theriault with a second by Mr. Midthun. Motion carries 4-0.

VI. Treasurer's Report:

- Motion to approve by Mr. Baker with a second by Mr. Theriault - Motion carries 4-0.

IX. Written Communications:

- Letter from Susan Cameron, associate director of teacher's association asking to start negotiations.
- Letter from DPI for \$1000.00 to support Bully Busters program.
- Letter from Chuck Poole commending veteran's day program.
- John Ashley from WASB appreciating district for being members.

VIII. Reports:

- **Bulldog Awards:**
 - Awarded to Jessica Lembeck and Venetia Delgado awarded the Bulldog Achievement Award for their work helping younger students and involvement in the school.
 - Jill Borchardt was recognized as a staff member with the Bulldog Results Award for her efforts in 5th grade, specifically in dealing with owl pellets.
- **Dr. Pienkos Report:** He provided information on the following:
 - Upcoming board elections have two openings.
 - Parent-Teacher conferences went well in November.
 - December faculty meeting will concentrate on curriculum.
 - School improvement committee working well developing good programs.
 - Dr. Pienkos met with Pastor Baldrige from Caldwell United Methodist regarding foreign exchange students from Korea. Discussion was also held on an outreach program on reading and tutoring.
 - Discussion with Waterford Kiwanis Club and Washington School staff to recognize students with BUG (Bring Up Grades) program.
 - Teachers decided to include 6th grade with the honor roll program.
 - Cruise Inn donated \$10 gift certificates for honor roll students.
 - Christmas Concert schedule for December 18, 2008.
 - Dr. Pienkos will be out for a short time over the holidays and for a few days after the holidays.
- **School Report:** The following was provided:
 - Field trip planned for this week.
- **PTO Report:** The following will be provided:
 - Basket sales will start at 5:30PM, day of conference.
 - Script program started last month was successful.
 - Santa's Workshop went well.
 - Spaghetti dinner planned for March 2009.
- **Board Report:** He provided information on the following:
 - The District's audit report has been issued by Johnson Block and is available for review at the office.

IX. Old Business:

1. A field trip policy will be presented at a future meeting. A committee is being formed.
2. Strategic Planning – The last meeting was an update of goals. A plan to finalize our goals is planned for January.
3. Security – No meeting was held.

4. Curriculum – An inventory of the curriculum is nearly complete. CESA has been contacted for additional ideas.
5. Building and Grounds – No report / No meeting.
6. The support staff contract was presented for approval. During discussion it was believed that language in section XV identifying the responsibilities of the district administrator and the school board needs to be better defined. Approval of the contract has been tabled with a motion by Mr. Baker and a second by Mr. Theriault. Motion carries 4-0.

X. New Business:

1. None

XI. Citizens and Delegations:

None

XI. Action on Closed Session Items:

- o None

Next Meeting Date:

Board Committee Meetings – Monday – January 5, 2009 – 6:30PM

Regular Board Meeting – Monday – January 19, 2008 – 6:30PM

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn by Mr. Midthun with second by Mr. Kieckhefer 7:50PM. Approved 4-0.

Board Clerk

Date