

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE ARENAC EASTERN BOARD OF EDUCATION
ARENAC COUNTY, STATE OF MICHIGAN**

1. Call to Order

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Arenac Eastern School District, Arenac County, State of Michigan, was held in the Arenac Eastern School District MS/HS Library on Monday, March 16, 2009.

President, Tom Brandimore called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Members Present: Marjorie Lockwood, Paul Phelan, Michele Morgan,
Tom Brandimore, Kathy Clark, Dick Klender, Tim Nelson

Members Absent: NONE

Tom Brandimore requested to add item 8.0 - Budget Amendment.

3. Pledge and Mission Statement

The pledge of allegiance and mission statement were recited.

4. Consent Agenda

4.1. Minutes

4.2. Bills

4.3. Resignation – Kal Jones, Custodian

Paul Phelan moved to accept the consent agenda with the exception of the Feb. 23, 2009 Special Meeting minutes. Dick Klender supported. All in favor. Motion unanimously carried.

Paul Phelan questioned himself being marked absent. It was explained that his time of arrival was noted when he arrived.

Dick Klender moved to approve the Feb. 23, 2009 Special Meeting minutes with the objection. Marjorie Lockwood supported.

5. Public Comment

NONE

6. Administrative Reports

6.1. Rocky Aldrich, Superintendent

-Congratulations goes to Riley Kulek as the 2008 Arenac County Soil Conservation Poster Winner.

-Tina Malzahn, Chartwell Food Service Director informed the district that the food service budget is in the black but unsure of the amount.

-Allen Pauly met with Gary Marchel with possibility of sharing teachers next year.

-Instant Messaging; \$2.50/student with setup charge waived. Any special announcement go to every household in the district.

-Corresponding with MEA, Negotiating team has 2 members. Mr. Aldrich asked for a 3rd. Current team is Marjorie and Tom. Mr. Aldrich appointed Dick Klender to the negotiating committee. Negotiating Committee meeting will be Tues., April 7th in MS/HS Library @ 4:00 p.m.

7. Old Business

7.1. Consolidation Update

The joint committee had 2 meetings. The members decided to find out the desire of all electors in both districts. Approval needed from both boards prior to proceeding with a questionnaire. Further discussion on sharing sports and teachers.

Dick Klender moved to shut down all consolidation talks and continue as Arenac Eastern. Marjorie Lockwood supported.

Further concerns were discussed regarding dropping enrollment. Also, that the community can still voice and petition their ideas. Paul Phelan believes the efforts of the committee should continue with the survey to see the results.

Roll Call Vote:

Tom Brandimore – No
Marjorie Lockwood – Yes
Paul Phelan – No
Michele Morgan – No
Dick Klender – Yes
Tim Nelson – Yes
Kathy Clark – No

Motion failed.

Paul Phelan moved to perform the survey only if AuGres Board agrees to the survey.

Roll Call Vote:

Marjorie Lockwood – No
Dick Klender – No
Kathy Clark – Yes
Tom Brandimore – Yes
Tim Nelson – No
Michele Morgan – Yes
Paul Phelan – Yes

Motion carries.

8. New Business

8.0. Budget Amendment

Mr. Aldrich explained key points that effected the budget being the price of fuel, 2 elementary positions. Rob Klaczkiwicz, Business Mgr., and Mr. Aldrich met with Bev Jozwiak to go through every line item of the current budget. Numerous errors were found. Mr. Aldrich feels very comfortable with the budget for the first time in 4 years.

8.1. Superintendent Evaluation

Mr. Aldrich requested closed session.

Marjorie Lockwood moved to go into closed session to discuss the Superintendent Evaluation at 6:50 p.m. Paul Phelan supported.

Closed session 6:50 p.m.

Reconvened at 7:34 p.m.

9. Next Meeting

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 13, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. in the MS/HS library.

10. Adjournment

Paul Phelan moved to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:35 p.m. Kathy Clark supported. All in favor. Motion unanimously carried.

Sincerely,

Michele M. Morgan
Secretary, Board of Education