

HUNT/INGRAM LIAISON REPORT

Karl Dickinson and Nicia Oakes attended their first Ingram School Board meeting on May 11th where two new Trustees, Jennifer Wooten and Stan Hansen, were sworn in.

Other agenda items included the following:

- Virginia Spikes was presented a plaque by Board President Olen Hicks recognizing John's service to the Ingram School District.
- Exemplary students were recognized for their academic and extra-curricular achievements.
- Mr. Stroder is continuing his exploration of consolidation and had a meeting with Commissioner of Education Robert Scott and Harvey Hilderbran.
- Mr. Stroder presented the plan for the accelerated trimester program which enables students to complete their core classes sooner than the traditional four-year cycle. The trimester program provides 5 more hours of instruction than the semester program and has enabled the Ingram School District to be recognized by the commissioner of education by obtaining a "Texas Steps Up" level 3 distinction. This program will give students more flexibility and options for pursuit of career interests or college coursework. Parent meetings are being scheduled to answer all questions.
- Mr. Stroder explained the Rocket Ignite Program in which Ingram students participated to send 2 rockets with a one-pond payload one mile into the sky. Because John Spikes was so involved with the program, Mr. Stroder suggested that the program be re-named the Spikes Ignite Program. The Board unanimously agreed.