



Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Education of the School District of Black River Falls on Monday, September 16, 2019 in the District Office Board Room.

School Board Vice President, Scott Barton, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board Members Present: Scott Barton, Mary Jo Radcliffe, Nehomah Thundercloud, Patty Jacobson, Amy Hoffman, Laurel Meek

Board Members Absent: Mary Jo Rozemenoski

Scott Barton confirmed the public meeting notice with Marti Herzberg.

Public Comment: None

Dr. Severson presented Board Commendation Awards to John Dick and Salena Lemieux in recognition of their work with the Middle School Talking Circles. Dawson McAndrews was not present, but was also recognized.

Dr. Severson recognized the generosity of Purpose Financial, Krohn Clinic, The Wright Place and Pine View Care Center for their donations of school supplies. She also shared that the Black River Falls, Alma Center-Merrillan, and Melrose-Mindoro School Districts have received a \$16,750 Peer Review and Mentoring Grant. This grant will be shared by the three districts. Mary Jo Radcliffe moved to approve the Peer Review and Mentoring Grant. Nehomah Thundercloud seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Dr. Severson shared the results of the Annual Board Self-Evaluations. The results will be discussed at an upcoming Board Development meeting.

Mr. Tom Chambers and Mr. Chris Stalheim spoke about the PLC and Instructional Coaching work that the high school staff are doing.

Amy Hoffman moved to approve the employment recommendations as presented. Mary Jo Radcliffe seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Dr. Kielbasa reviewed the 2018-2019 Seclusion and Restraint Report.

Stephanie Brueggen highlighted the LMC and Technology Programing long term plan.

Amy Hoffman shared that at the last Student Success Board Committee Meeting, on September 10, 2019, the committee discussed the professional development that took place over the summer.

Laurel Meek moved to approve the monthly expenditures as presented. Patty Jacobson seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Dr. Severson shared that Dr. Richard Holder is considering the donation of the Spring Creek School building. Dr. Al Lahmayer is having a company conduct an evaluation on moving the building, possibly to the Red Creek Elementary School property. Dr. Severson will continue to keep the Board updated on this project.

Nehomah Thundercloud moved to approve moving forward with the Highway A property renovations in order to transition this property to the District's bus garage. Scott Barton seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

The Board discussed the facility tours that they took during the August 21, 2019 Special Board Meeting. The Board approved Dr. Severson moving forward to obtain quotes for work on the water problems at the high school. They would also like to explore the option of having 4K and a community daycare at Gebhardt. They would like to discuss this further at the Board Development Meeting at the end of October.

Jill Collins reviewed the 2018 Equalized Valuation information that was provided by Robert W. Baird & Co., Inc.

Mary Jo Radcliffe moved to approve the August 19, 2019 meeting minutes. Amy Hoffman seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Dr. Severson's District Administrator Report included:

- The Board was updated on the recent social media threat.
- Dr. Severson shared that she will be out of the office for the Fall Superintendent Conference and a medical procedure.
- The October 7, 2019 Policy Committee meeting is rescheduled for October 14, 2019.

Jill Collins talked about the communication problems that our bus drivers are experiencing while on their routes. She is looking into the possibility of using one of the County's towers, on the Hixton Ridge, to place a repeater which will help this problem.

The District will host the WASB Regional Meeting on Tuesday, October 22, 2019. Marti Herzberg will enroll Board Members who are interested in attending.

Future Agenda Items – None

At 7:50 p.m. Mary Jo Radcliffe moved to adjourn. Scott Barton seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Mary Jo Radcliffe, Clerk

Marti Herzberg, Recording Secretary