

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BLACK RIVER FALLS ON JULY 18, 2011 AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE DISTRICT OFFICE BOARD ROOM.

The regular meeting was called to order by President Ramie Bakken at 6:00 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call was taken.

Board Members Present: Ramie Bakken, Don Mathews, Laurel Meek, Susan Olstad, Lois Corey, Mark Thomley

Board Members Absent: Mary Jo Rozmenoski

Meeting commenced with the verification of Public Notice.

Public Comment – Linda McCullough shared thoughts about her concern regarding the quality of our local public schools.

There was no Student Senate Report this month.

Don Mathews moved to approve the consent agenda. Mark Thomley seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0. The consent agenda included the June regular meeting minutes, monthly expenditures, employment recommendations (Sarah Robinson – Adaptive Physical Education resignation, Dawn Peterson – .75 High School Math resignation), field trips (Ms. Koester’s Concert Choir), and gifts/grants (none).

Mark Thomley moved to approve the district’s strategic plan that includes a new vision statement and three area goal statements. Laurel Meek seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0-1 (Lois Corey abstained).

Mark Thomley moved to approve the annual review of Board Policy 165: Board Member Code of Ethics. Don Mathews seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Ramie Bakken read the Health Reimbursement Arrangement (HRA) resolution. Lois Corey moved to approve the creation of an HRA. Susan Olstad seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Ramie Bakken moved to approve the revised 2011-2012 tax levy and corresponding budget revisions. Don Mathews seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Don Mathews moved to approve re-instating the following items to the 2011-2012 budget: roof expenditures, purchase of a second new bus, summer cleaning staff, custodial staff (3 FTE), school nurse, technology coach, capital maintenance. Lois Corey seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

The District Administrator's Report consisted of the following district news:

- Terms of a lease agreement between the District and the Ho-Chunk Nation for a BRAGS building are still continuing.
- The Teacher Handbook Committee met on July 12 and 13. Details will be brought to the Policy Committee and the full Board in August. The committee is scheduled to meet again on August 3, 4, 10, and 11.
- The Wisconsin Association of School District Administrators Legal Seminar is being held from July 27 – 29.

There were no discussion items requested by administration.

There were no discussion items requested by the board.

There were no discussion items requested by the public.

Ramie Bakken attended the WASB Presidents/Leadership Conference on July 15-16 in Lake Geneva, WI.

The Policy Committee is scheduled to meet on Monday, August 1 at 4:00 pm. They did not meet in July.

The Public Affairs Committee is scheduled to meet on Monday, August 8 at 5:00 pm. They did not meet in July.

The Curriculum and Instruction/Student Achievement Committee did not meet in July and is not scheduled to meet in August.

A monthly report was given to the board with Conference/Workshop Attendance information.

There were no other reports.

An update of the Allergy Policy was identified as a future agenda item.

Don Mathews moved to adjourn to closed session at 7:30 pm pursuant to Section 19.85 (1), (b), (c), (e) of the WI Statutes for discussion and possible action regarding BRFEA Negotiations. Susan Olstad seconded the motion and a roll call vote was taken (ayes = 6).

Ramie Bakken moved to reconvene into open session at 8:55 pm and take action as appropriate on any matter on the meeting agenda, including matters discussed in closed session. Don Mathews seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0. No action was taken.

Mark Thomley moved to adjourn at 8:55 pm. Lois Corey seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

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Maureen Ruka, Recording Secretary