



Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Education of the School District of Black River Falls on July 17, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. in the District Office Board Room.

School Board President, Mary Jo Rozmenoski, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board Members Present: Mary Jo Rozmenoski, Mary Jo Radcliffe, Patty Jacobson, Amy Hoffman, Nehomah Thundercloud, Laurel Meek (arrived at 6:15 p.m.)

Board Members Absent: Scott Barton

Meeting commenced with the verification of public notice.

Public Comment – None

Mary Jo Radcliffe moved to accept the Educational Enrichment Fund grants. The Board also accepted the generous donation of two 200' baseball fields and approved the construction of a concession building next to Red Creek Elementary School. The establishment of the fields is a gift from James & Andrea Hoffman, Peter & Jone Hoffman and Hoffman Construction. Amy Hoffman seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

The Board reviewed the Handbooks from the Elementary and Middle Schools. They made suggestions for changes. Nehomah Thundercloud moved to approve the handbooks with noted changes. Patty Jacobson seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Mary Jo Rozmenoski wanted to publically recognize the District's Administration and Staff for the great work that they do. She realizes that our District is ahead of many others in the work that is being accomplished district wide.

Mary Jo Rozmenoski moved to approve the employment recommendations. Mary Jo Radcliffe seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Elizabeth Johnson presented her School Nursing Annual Report.

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Stephanie Brueggen reviewed the High School English Language Arts materials. Laurel Meek moved to approve the use of the presented materials. Mary Jo Radcliffe seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Dr. Severson and Stephanie Brueggen reviewed the 2017-2018 Academic Standards. Mary Jo Rozmenoski moved to adopt the standards as presented. Laurel Meek seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Lisa McCullough updated the Board on the At-Risk Plan. Amy Hoffman moved to approve the plan as presented. Laurel Meek seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Dr. Severson shared information with the Board from the Redefining Ready website. This is a national initiative to introduce new research-based metrics to more appropriately assess that students are college, career or life ready. The Board authorized the District to move forward with the use of this initiative.

Mary Jo Radcliffe moved to approve the monthly expenditures as presented. Amy Hoffman seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0 (Nehomah Thundercloud had stepped out of the room).

Dr. Severson shared plans for the Red Creek Ball Fields. The Fields should be ready for use by spring, 2018.

Mary Jo Rozmenoski moved to approve the Use Agreement between the Black River Falls City Parks and Recreation Department and the School District for the use of the new ball fields located at the Red Creek site.

Dr. Severson gave the Board an update on the district facilities. The Food Pantry is fully functioning at Gebhardt and site work continues at Red Creek.

There is no new news on the State Budget.

Amy Hoffman moved to approve the meeting minutes from June 19, 2017. Laurel Meek seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Dr. Severson's District Administrator's Report included:

- There have been some changes to the highly qualified requirements for paraprofessionals. Dr. Severson reviewed the options.
- A group of Alumni, from the class of 1977, toured the High School on Saturday, July 15<sup>th</sup>.

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Stephanie Brueggen reviewed the results of the AP tests.

The school Principals updated the board on things occurring at their schools this summer.

Mary Jo Rozmenoski has been serving as the WASB President for the last two months. She will be attending the National Leadership Conference in August.

Future Agenda Items – None

Mary Jo Radcliffe moved to adjourn at 8:25 p.m. Laurel Meek seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

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Marti Herzberg, Recording Secretary

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Nehomah Thundercloud, Clerk