

Black River Falls
September 15, 2008

Meeting # 5

MINUTES OF MEETING # 5 OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BLACK RIVER FALLS ON SEPTEMBER 15, 2008 AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE DISTRICT OFFICE BOARD ROOM.

Board Members Present: Ken Artis, Ramie Bakken, Lois Corey, Don Mathews, Laurel Meek, Mary Jo Rozmenoski, Ron Wirtz

Board Members Absent: None

The meeting was called to order by President Don Mathews at 6:00 p.m.

Meeting commenced with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Notices of the meeting were delivered to the Banner Journal, WWIS Radio Station and Jackson County Chronicle and posted in three (3) public places on September 11, 2008.

Marie Jordan, parent of Emily, addressed the board with comments regarding the FCCLA. She stated it was a wonderful experience as a parent/chaperone to accompany the students to their FCCLA Conferences.

Emily Jordan, student and FCCLA National Vice-President for the 2007-08 school year, presented an overview of the activities she was involved in during the past year. She also thanked the high school staff and the board for their support of her activities in FCCLA.

Sarah Halverson, FCCLA Advisor, thanked the board and administration for their support of the FCCLA.

Jon Warmke addressed the board regarding the start of the school year. He stated the school year was off to a great start. All staff members have been very helpful in getting the students into the right classrooms and on the correct buses when it was time to go home. He commended the maintenance staff for the excellent job they did this summer in getting the buildings cleaned and ready for the school year.

The following new teachers were introduced to the Board:

Bev Carlsen – LMC – Middle School
Sarah Schwarz – Spanish – Middle School
Dave Cowley – Alternative Education – Middle School
Jake Dahlke – 2nd Grade – Third Street
Corey Colburn – Choral Director – High School
Kristie Heckendorf – Technology Ed. – High School
Teri Bulin-Messelt – Gifted/Talented – Forrest Street/Third Street

Board of Education Meeting Minutes # 5

September 15, 2008

Page 2

Stacia Nelson – 5th Grade – Gebhardt
Andrea Schulz-Borck – Special Education – Gebhardt
Becky Blaken – Gifted/Talented – Gebhardt/Middle School
Amy Kimmes – 1st Grade – Forrest Street
Brad Skaer – Adaptive Phi. Ed – District Wide
Theresa Hunter – 4 Year Old Kgn. & BLAST Coordinator
Collette Schweger – 4 Year Old Kgn.
Ann Durst – 4 Year Old Kgn.
Whitney Bourget – 4 Year Old Kgn.
Kalen LeQue – 4 Year Old Kgn.

Lois Corey moved to approve the consent agenda. Ron Wirtz seconded the motion. Motion carried. The consent agenda included the August meeting minutes, monthly expenditures, and the resignation of Gretchen Marshall, high school science teacher.

Ron Wirtz moved to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement as presented. Laurel Meek seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Ron Wirtz moved to authorize the contribution of \$100,000 over a period of five (5) years (\$20,000 per year) to the Fair Park Project with a Fund 80 levy of \$40,000 in 2009 and \$20,000 for each of the following three (3) years. Ramie Bakken seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Ramie Bakken moved to approve the goals for the 2008-09 school year. Ron Wirtz seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Tom Chambers presented an overview of the grant received for the planning of a Green School.

Dr. Blanford reported that the 4-K program is up and going with 115 students attending at this time, staff and students are getting comfortable in the portables and the Odyssey Program is starting from the ground level with four (4) 7th grade and four (4) 8th grade students enrolled in the program. Dave Cowley is the teacher that has been hired to teach the students in this program.

A proposal was presented by Chris Deets, of Dustin Deets, LLC regarding a possible referendum next spring.

An update on the community survey was presented.

Lois Corey moved to reject the Community Survey from School Perceptions. Ken Artis seconded the motion. After considerable discussion, Ken Artis rescinded his second of the motion. Motion died for lack of a second.

Board of Education Meeting Minutes # 5

September 15, 2008

Page 3

Dr. Blanford will contact Bill Foster at School Perceptions with the suggested changes to the survey.

Board members were asked to complete their semi-annual Board Self-Assessment and return it to Don Mathews as soon as possible.

Conference/Workshop attendance – Ramie Bakken will be attending the WASB Labor Law Conference in Madison on Friday.

The Policy Committee presented the Locker Room Privacy policy 731.1 for its 1st reading by the Board. As there were no changes requested the policy will be presented for final approval at the October Board meeting.

Future agenda items:

Core agenda items

Update on Community Survey

Preps on the Net Update

Ron Wirtz moved to adjourn to closed session at 7:23 p.m. Ramie Bakken seconded the motion.

Ayes: Ken Artis, Ramie Bakken, Lois Corey, Don Mathews Laurel Meek,
Mary Jo Rozmenoski, Ron Wirtz

Nays: None

Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned.

Ramie Bakken, Clerk
Secretary

Barb Prochaska, Recording