



Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Education of the School District of Black River Falls on September 18, 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, Amy Hoffman, Scott Barton, Nehomah Thundercloud, Patty Jacobson, Laurel Meek.

Board Members Absent: None

Meeting commenced with the verification of public notice.

Public Comment – None

Dr. Severson and Mary Jo Rozmenoski presented Melissa Lowe with a Board Commendation for her participation in the Statewide Parent Advisory Council for the last four years.

The two foreign exchange students, that are attending the District, introduced themselves to the Board Members and spoke about their experiences so far. Elvira Lange is from Denmark and Namhun Kim is from South Korea.

Mary Jo Rozmenoski made a motion to move item number 8.3 – Seclusion and Restraint Report, to take place after item number 6.1 – Board Commendation. Mary Jo Radcliffe seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

Dr. Tammy Kielbasa presented the Seclusion and Restraint Report for the 2016-2017 school year.

The gifts and grants that were presented were a \$50,000.00 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Grant and Klare Knodle received a Donors Choose fund for \$961.00 that will be used to help stop the buckthorn invasion at our school forest. Amy Hoffman moved to approve the gifts and grants as presented. Nehomah Thundercloud seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

Sue Leadholm presented information on academic and career planning and how it has evolved and grown through the years.

Mary Jo Radcliffe moved to approve the employment recommendations as presented. Nehomah Thundercloud seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

Stephanie Brueggen presented and reviewed academic and career planning. Mary Jo Rozmenoski moved to accept them as presented. Laurel Meek seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

Dr. Severson explained the purpose of the Memorandum of Understanding with Lutheran Social Services. The District is trying to remove barriers to allow parents to access mental healthcare for their children. Amy Hoffman moved to approve the MOU as presented. Laurel Meek seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

Dr. Severson reviewed the Bullying Incident Report for the 2016-2017 school year.

Laurel Meek reviewed the Student Success Board Committee Meeting that took place on September 12, 2017. Items that were covered at this meeting were: Core Agenda revisions and professional development breakdowns.

Laurel Meek moved to approve the monthly expenditures as presented. Patty Jacobson seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

Laurel Meek moved to approve the 66.30 Agreement with Melrose-Mindoro for the equally shared services of a 1. FTE Early Childhood Teacher. Amy Hoffman seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

The Board reviewed the first readings of the following policies: 321 Annual School Calendar, 330 Curriculum Development and Improvement, 333 Parent Rights in Relation to District Programs and Activities, 341.3 Human Growth and Development Instruction, 341.4 Reading Instruction, 342.1 Programs for Students with Disabilities, 342.2 Homebound Instruction, 342.3 Gifted and Talented Program, 342.4 Programs for Children at Risk, 342.7 Programs for English Language Learners, 345.31 Grade Advancement Policy. They will move on for a second reading. They also reviewed the deletion of the following policies: 322 School Day, 331 Curriculum Guides, 332 Evaluation of the Instructional Program, 341.1 Kindergarten Instruction, 341.21 Career and Technical Education, 341.22 Tech Prep, 345.3 Promotion and Retention of Students.

Mary Jo Radcliffe moved to approve the meeting minutes from August 17, 2017 Regular Meeting and August 30, 2017 Special Meeting. Laurel Meek seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

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

- The District has received several donations of school supplies and Vickie Michalski is coordinating their disbursement.
- We are trying to find a safe spot for the relocation of the solar panel that was located in the field that is now the Lunda Community Center. The horticulture area was suggested.
- The Department of Public Instruction has notified the District that the gaps between our regular education students and our special education students are not closing like DPI expects them to. Dr. Tammy Kielbasa will be making changes to address this.
- Jill Collins updated the Board on new busing issues and the solutions that will be made to address them.
- The Principals each reviewed a topic that is affecting their schools.

October 25, 2017 is the WASB Regional Meeting. The Board Members will let Marti Herzberg know if they are going to attend. Nehomah Thundercloud will be attending The Innovations in Equity Conference on September 25-26, 2017. The Black River Falls Community S.E.E.D Kick-Off Event will be held on Tuesday, October 3, 2017.

Future Agenda Items – The Board Members would like a tour of the updated areas at the High School. They would like an update on the buses that are set up with WiFi.

Mary Jo Radcliffe moved to adjourn at 8:25 p.m. Nehomah Thundercloud seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

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Nehomah Thundercloud, Clerk

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Marti Herzberg, Recording Secretary