



Minutes of meeting of the Board of Education of the School District of Black River Falls on December 21, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. in the District Office Board Room.

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.

Board Members Absent: Todd Stittleburg, Laurel Meek.

Meeting commenced with the verification of Public Notice.

Public Comment – None

Mary Jo Rozmenoski made a motion to move agenda item 11.3 Student Senate Report to before Focus on Purpose. Mary Jo Radcliffe seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Mary Hansen from the Food for Kids program was presented with a Board Commendation for her dedicated work in organizing the weekly delivery of food donations to all of our schools.

Daniel Forman and Matthew Bronsdon reported to the Board on the recent activities of Student Senate.

Focus on Purpose – School Counselors – Sue Leadholm reported on Academic and Career Planning (ACP). The School Counselors meet with students, starting in middle school, and discuss their plans for their future after high school.

Amy Hoffman moved to approve the consent agenda. Mary Jo Radcliffe seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0. The consent agenda included:

- Meeting minutes from 11-16-15 and 12-14-15.
- Monthly expenditures
- Field trip request – JEA Conference in April of 2016 for selected students in Writing 1 and Writing 2 classes.

- Gifts – Black River Area Community Band donated \$400.00 to the Middle School Band. Jim Bible donated sand and hauling for the long and triple jump pits. The Lunda family donated fitness equipment. Grants - \$7000.00 NTO Stem Grant written by the High School Tech Ed Department to be used to continue work on their lab at the High School.

Mary Jo Rozmenoski moved to approve the second readings of Policies 811.1 Native American Parent Involvement, 521.2 Offensive Behavior, and the Support Services Handbook. Nehomah Thundercloud seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Mary Jo Radcliffe moved to approve the Youth Options Courses for Spring 2016. Patty Jacobson seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Patty Jacobson moved to approve draft 4b of the 2016-2017 school calendar. Amy Hoffman seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Johnson Block & Co., Inc. presented the Board with the annual audit information. Nehomah Thundercloud moved to approve the 2014-2015 audit report. Mary Jo Radcliffe seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Red Creek Elementary School received the most votes in the name the new school contest. There were 2,726 votes received from the community. The vote breakdown is:

Red Creek Elementary – 959

Mitchell Redcloud Jr. Elementary – 641

Union Elementary – 466

Tiger Pride Elementary-307

Walter Blencoe Elementary – 192

Jacob Spaulding Elementary – 161

Mary Jo Rozmenoski moved to accept Red Creek Elementary School as the name of the new school. Mary Jo Radcliffe seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Dr. Shelly Severson presented the District Administrator's Report which consisted of:

- Melrose-Mindoro has officially entered into a co-op with us for boys soccer.
- 4 Seasons is doing a winter clothing drive and will donate the collected clothing to our District.
- Todd Stittleburg has turned in notification that he will not run for another term on the School Board and Amy Hoffman has turned in her paperwork to run again in the spring.
- Handbook reviews will take place in January.

The Principals and Assistant Principals reported on the activities happening in their schools.

Dr. Shelly Severson reviewed the School Facts 15 report and compared the numbers from last year. This is a publication that is put together by the Wisconsin Tax Payers Alliance.

Julie Murray, Administrative Assistant for the Black River Area Foundation, has worked with our High School Guidance Office to simplify the scholarship process. Julie has created one universal application that will be available on the District website.

The Every Student Succeeds Act has been reauthorized. The reauthorization was done in an attempt to put more control at the state level. Dr. Shelly Severson shared the preliminary report with the Board.

Dr. Shelly Severson gave the Board a facility update.

The Board discussed points of interest in the WASB resolutions. More discussion will take place at the January School Board meeting prior to representatives voting on the resolutions.

Discussion Items Requested By Public – None

Board Reports:

- WASB/Other – None
- Policy Committee – None
- Community Engagement Committee – will meet in January
- Student Success Committee – will meet in January
- Conference/Workshop Attendance – Four teachers will be attending the Literacy and Reading Recovery Conference in January 2016.

Other Reports – None

Future Agenda Item Identification – None

Amy Hoffman moved to adjourn at 7:51 p.m. Nehomah Thundercloud seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Amy Hoffman, Clerk

Marti Herzberg, Recording Secretary