



Minutes of meeting of the Board of Education of the School District of Black River Falls on March 17, 2014 at 6 p.m. at the District Office Board Room.

The regular meeting was called to order by President Mary Jo Rozmenoski at 6:01 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board Members Present: Amy Hoffman, Patty Jacobson, Laurel Meek, Mary Jo Radcliffe, Mary Jo Rozmenoski, Axel Dressler.

Board Members Absent: Todd Stittleburg

Meeting commenced with the verification of Public Notice.

Public Comment – None

Mary Jo Rozmenoski welcomed Ryan Spoehr from the Banner Journal.

The Board approved to move the Community Facility Task Force Update and the Career & College Planning portion of the meeting forward in the agenda.

Kate Phillips, a member of the Community Facilities Task Force, gave the Board an update on the progress of the meetings and duties of the Task Force.

Eric Erickson and Sue Leadholm presented information on the district's Career & College Planning services.

Tim Young gave a presentation on the recent history of the High School math department. Math instruction has changed from an integrated system to a more traditional one in order to better align to ACT and college placement testing.

Julie Tiedens and three of her students did a presentation on PBS News Hour. Kyleigh N., Tyler L., and Devin N. spoke about their roles, experiences, and what they've learned through the program.

Axel Dressler moved to approve the consent agenda. Amy Hoffman seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0. The consent agenda included minutes from the February 17, 2014 Regular Meeting, and monthly expenditures. Dr. Severson spoke about Gifts/Grants. The Rotary Club

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has donated \$1,400.00 to be used for the annual Rotary Banquet. Jessie Construction has donated \$200.00 to be used as postage for the Tiger Tribune.

Mary Jo Radcliffe moved to approve the second reading of Health Insurance Eligibility. Patty Jacobson seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Joe Schmit presented the information on the Middle School roof bids and the lowest bid received. Amy Hoffman moved to approve the bid for the Middle School roof project. Mary Jo Rozmenoski seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Axel Dressler moved to approve the second reading of Policy 832.2 – Use or Possession of Weapons on School Premises. Mary Jo Radcliffe seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Mary Jo Rozmenoski moved to approve the second reading of Policy 851 – Advertising and Sponsorships on School Property. Patty Jacobson seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Dr. Severson explained that Melrose-Mindoro would like to join the WIAA Co-op agreement for Girl's Hockey. Mary Jo Rozmenoski moved to approve the Co-op Agreement. Axel Dressler seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Dr. Severson reported the quote to complete the School Perceptions Survey is \$9,700.00. Amy Hoffman moved to approve the survey quote. Mary Jo Radcliffe seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

Mary Jo Radcliffe moved to approve the 2014-2015 Budget Proposal. Mary Jo Rozmenoski seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

The District Administrator's report consisted of Dr. Severson's report that there will be no need for additional days to be added to the end of the school year calendar. June 9th will be an "All Staff Day". Dr. Severson reported that Linda Bubnich, Speech and Language Pathologist, is retiring. The building principals gave updates on activities occurring in their respective schools.

Discussion Items Requested by Administration – None

There were five discussion items requested by the board:

1. Community Facility Task Force Update – moved to earlier in the agenda
2. Career & College Planning throughout our system – moved to earlier in the agenda
3. Board Policy 221: The Board completed the first reading of the District Administrator (Job Description).
4. Career Advancement & Stipend Guide: Dr. Severson explained the details of the new guide.

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5. Policy 443.4: Dr. Severson shared the Administrative Rule: Student Alcohol & Other Drugs with the board. No action was needed.

Discussion Items Requested by Public – None

Mary Jo Rozmenoski asked board members to contact Marti Herzberg if they are interested in attending the CESA #4 Legislative Forum that will be held on March 27, 2014. She also reminded the board that the Spring Academy is coming up.

The Policy Committee will be working on addressing behaviors on the school bus.

The Public Affairs Committee did not meet in March.

Laurel Meek reported that the Curriculum and Instruction/Student Achievement Committee has been talking about virtual school and the K12.com system. They have been getting positive feedback on the year-round school calendar models.

Dr. Severson reported the 2015-2016 school calendar will be ready for board review at the April meeting. Dr. Severson would like to reschedule the June School Board meeting.

Future Agenda Items:

The Board would like more information on virtual school and what the K12 component is.

Mary Jo Rozmenoski moved to adjourn to closed session at 8:26 p.m. pursuant to Wis. Stats. 19.85 (1)(c) for the purposes of discussing the evaluations of the Superintendent and other Administrative staff contracts. Axel Dressler seconded the motion and a roll call vote was taken (6=yes).

Amy Hoffman moved to reconvene into open session and take any necessary action as per Wis. Stats. 19.85(2). Mary Jo Rozmenoski seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Axel Dressler moved to approve the C & I contract. Amy Hoffman seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Mary Jo Radcliffe moved to adjourn at 10:33 p.m. Axel Dressler seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Axel Dressler, Clerk

Marti Herzberg, Recording Secretary