



Minutes of meeting of the Board of Education of the School District of Black River Falls on September 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, Amy Hoffman, Todd Stittleburg, Patty Jacobson, Nehomah Thundercloud, Laurel Meek

Board Members Absent: Mary Jo Radcliffe

Meeting commenced with the verification of Public Notice.

Public Comment – Dillon Johnson addressed the Board regarding his request to expand the work release program at the High School. He proposes that when a student is working towards early graduation, they should be allowed to have work release, all day, on either A or B schedule days.

The Board presented Patty McFarland, from Purpose Financial, with a Board Commendation to recognize her for her work collecting donations of school supplies for our District students. This is the eighth year that Patty has organized this supply drive.

The LMC Aides introduced themselves to the Board and talked about their job duties.

Nehomah Thundercloud moved to approve the consent agenda. Patty Jacobson seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0. The consent agenda included:

- Meeting minutes from 8-17-15, 8-26-15, 9-2-15 and revised minutes from 8-12-15
- Monthly expenditures
- An AODA Grant for \$15,000.00 and a gift from Tiger Youth Basketball for \$1,250.00

Mary Jo Rozmenoski moved to approve the second reading of policies 345.1 Grading Systems, 347.1 Directory Data and 162 New Board Member Orientation. Laurel Meek seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

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

- Homecoming week activities
- Stadium Chairs and t-shirts are for sale to raise money for the class of 2018 and 2019.
- Paul Rykken has been featured in a national magazine, *Teaching Tolerance*.
- For the 2016-2017 school year, Mr. Rick Dobbs will be the Principal and Mrs. Laura Simonson will be the Vice Principal at the new elementary school. Ms. Sherry Holt will be the administrator at Gebhardt Elementary School.
- On October 7<sup>th</sup> all school district employees will receive ALICE training.
- The information on strategic planning has been distributed to all of the schools and committees are digging in to the initiatives.

The Principals updated the Board on activities that are occurring in their schools.

Dr. Severson discussed the numbers of students who participated in sports during the 2014-2015 school year.

Sherry Holt updated the Board on the Seclusion and Restraint Report for the 2014-2015 school year.

Dr. Severson reviewed the Bullying Incident Report for the 2014-2015 school year with the Board.

Dr. Severson went through the 2015 Summer School Report. She spoke about student participation and summer programming.

Dr. Severson recommended the purchase of Wifi equipment for the school bus that is used the most for transportation of student athletes.

Discussion Items Requested by Public – None

There will be a Board Outreach Opportunity held at CESA #4 on September 24<sup>th</sup> and the WASB Regional Meeting will be held in Cochran Fountain City on October 21<sup>st</sup>.

The Policy Committee, Community Engagement Committee and Curriculum and Instruction Committee did not meet in September but will meet in October.

Other Reports – None

Future Agenda Items:

- Todd Stittleburg would like information on the students who have been expelled in the last 2–4 years.
- Patty Jacobson would like information on the evolution of handwriting to keyboarding.

Patty Jacobson moved to adjourn at 7:30 p.m. Todd Stittleburg seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

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Amy Hoffman, Clerk

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Marti Herzberg, Recording Secretary