

Black River Falls
September 16, 2002

Meeting No. 5

MINUTES OF MEETING NO. 5 OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE
SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BLACK RIVER FALLS ON SEPTEMBER 16, 2002 AT 6:00
P.M. IN THE HIGH SCHOOL LMC.

Board members present: Durwood Amundson. Laura Chrest. Lois Corey,
Barb Mackenzie, Gregg Mulry, Jeff Pugh,

Board members absent: Mike Johnson

President, Gregg Mulry, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Notices of the meeting were delivered to the Banner Journal, WWIS Radio Station and Melrose Chronicle on Thursday, September 12, 2002. Revised agendas were delivered to the Banner Journal, WWIS Radio Station and Melrose Chronicle on Friday, September 13, 2002.

The meeting commenced with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Discussion was held on revising the Board Operating Guidelines.

Voting during roll call votes will be alphabetically rotating the vote with the next person alphabetically being the first to vote.

Durwood Amundson moved to review the revised Board Operating Guidelines with Mike Johnson and bring it to the next meeting for a vote. Lois Corey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Laura Chrest moved to have Item F, Kindergarten Section, on the agenda moved to the next agenda item. Barb Mackenzie seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the addition of a ninth (9th) kindergarten section. Carolyn Oswald Johnson, kindergarten teacher, encouraged the board to approve the hiring of an additional kindergarten teacher.

Durwood Amundson moved to approve the addition of a ninth (9th) kindergarten section and to locate it at Third Street School. Jeff Pugh seconded the motion.

Roll call vote: Laura Chrest: No; Lois Corey: Yes; Barb Mackenzie: Yes; Gregg Mulry: No; Jeff Pugh: Yes; Durwood Amundson: Yes.

Motion carried on a 4-2 vote.

During the public comments portion of the meeting Roger Kaufman expressed concern about non-custodial parents receiving information regarding their children.

Patty Jacobson approached the board in regard to parent involvement. She would like to see more parent participation in the schools.

The consent agenda items were accepted as presented.

Lois Corey was appointed as the representative to the Joint Review Board to attend the Public Hearing for the creation of TID No. 4, in the City of Black River Falls. The hearing will be held on September 25, 2002 at 6:00 p.m. in City Hall.

Jeff Pugh moved to approve policy # 171, Regular Board Meetings, #174, Annual Meeting, and #186, Public Comment at Board Meetings, as presented. Barb Mackenzie seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The Board Committee Assignments are as follows:

Finance: Jeff Pugh, Lois Corey, Gregg Mulry

Facilities: Laura Chrest, Mike Johnson, Gregg Mulry

Curriculum

& Instruction: Lois Corey, Barb Mackenzie, Jeff Pugh

Jeff Pugh, Laura Chrest, and Lois Corey were asked to facilitate the scheduling of the 1st meeting. The meetings will be held if two (2) of the three (3) board members are able to attend. Administrators and supervisors will be asked to attend the meetings as appropriate.

Lois Corey moved to approve holding one (1) meeting per month. Laura Chrest seconded the motion.

Roll call vote: Lois Corey: Yes; Barb Mackenzie: Yes; Gregg Mulry: Yes; Jeff Pugh: Yes; Durwood Amundson: No; Laura Chrest: Yes.

Motion carried on a 5-1 vote.

Discussion was held on revising the administrative contract documents. Durwood Amundson moved to table action on revising the administrative contract documents. Laura Chrest seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Dr. Richards reported that the district received the 21st Century Community Learning Grant and will be awarded \$100,000 per year for up to five years to support after school activities at Gebhardt School. A portion of the funds will be used to hire a parent coordinator that will be combined with the Family/School Coordinator position to create a full-time position. The grant will also expand the summer school program by two (2) weeks and provide after school tutoring. Friday, September 20th is the 3rd Friday pupil count date used to calculate the revenue cap limit and general state aids.

Sherri Torkelson and Dennis Richards gave an overview of the new federal education legislation "No Child Left Behind".

Brad Markhardt, Agriculture teacher, presented the agriculture program review.

Discussion was held on the District Office Roof. The consensus of the board was to replace the roof on the district office building this fall.

Discussion on Native American education will be assigned to the new Curriculum and Instruction committee for initial study.

Sherri Torkelson gave an overview of the Talented and Gifted Program.

Connie Helstad and Denise Cook, PTA representatives, presented more information on volunteerism and the efforts of the PTA to get more people involved in the school district.

Jeff Pugh reported that the WASB Fall Regional meeting will be held on October 10th in Independence.

The following items were identified as future agenda items:

Technology Concerns
Microphone System
Policy/Rule 480 – Children of Divorced/Separated Parents
Administrative Contracts
Core Agenda

Lois Corey moved to adjourn to executive session under section 19.85(1)(c) to discuss contract terms for the assistant high school principal position at 9:25 p.m. Jeff Pugh seconded the motion.

Ayes: Durwood Amundson, Lois Corey, Laura Chrest, Barb Mackenzie,
Gregg Mulry, Jeff Pugh.

Nays: None

Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned to executive session.

Barb Mackenzie, Clerk

Barb Prochaska, Recording Secretary