



Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Education of the School District of Black River Falls on Monday, September 21, 2020 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 Radcliffe, Mary Jo Rozmenoski, Patricia Jacobson, Amy Hoffman, Troy Webb, Scott Barton, Ann Dehmer.

Board Members Absent: None

Mary Jo Rozmenoski confirmed the public hearing notice with Marti Herzberg.

Public Comment – None

Mary Jo Radcliffe moved to approve a \$100.00 gift from Co-Op Credit Union which will be added to the Angel Fund in order to pay food service balances. The motion also included the acceptance of the second year of the School Based Mental Health Grant. Ann Dehmer seconded the motion. The motion passed 6-0-1.

Amy Hoffman moved to approve the October 26, 2020 Annual Meeting Agenda as presented. Mary Jo Radcliffe seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

Dr. Severson shared the 2020-2021 COVID Related Waiver Application through the DPI. It's unknown which waivers will be needed, so action is not required at this time.

The Board has had several conversations trying to establish what types of adult education, parenting education, and linkages to other community resources over recent years. Dr. Severson reminded the Board that they have the ability to consider a Fund 80 Levy, which is a Community Service Levy, to assist in a portion of this work. There are other community organizations also engaging in these conversations. The Board will consider the possibility of the District partnering with other community organizations. Dr. Severson will make this an action item on the October 6, 2020 Special Meeting Agenda.

Mary Jo Rozmenoski moved to table agenda item 6.5 in order to allow Amy Hunter to attend the meeting. Mary Jo Radcliffe seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

Stephanie Brueggen updated the Board on the progress of virtual programming.

Amy Hunter, Student Mental Health Navigator, explained the processes that are in place to provide mental health services to students. Telehealth is also being used for students to access counseling services during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Patty Jacobson moved to approve the employment recommendations as presented. Amy Hoffman seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

Dr. Severson reviewed the goals and work that the SAIL group is doing. She also shared the power point that was used at the staff welcome back gathering on August 24, 2020.

Amy Hoffman shared that during the last Student Success Committee Meeting they talked about the virtual school and the professional development that was done over the summer.

Scott Barton moved to approve the monthly expenditures as presented. Mary Jo Radcliffe seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

Dr. Severson gave a referendum update which included:

- Foam board layouts have been approved. They will be posted around the community giving referendum information.
- The referendum fact sheets are ready to share.
- Dr. Severson will be speaking at Municipality Board Meetings in order to share referendum information and answer questions.
- The District website will be updated with referendum information.
- The Tiger Tribune will be included in the upcoming distribution of The Shopper.

Ann Dehmer moved to approve the meeting minutes from August 17, 2020. Troy Webb seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

During the District Administrator's Report, the following was discussed:

- The building Principals shared information on how the first couple of weeks of school have gone. All reports were very positive.
- Dr. Severson reviewed the Exclusion Protocol for COVID-19. So far we've had 13 symptomatic staff members and 68 symptomatic students.
- Dr. Severson spoke about the need for staff flexibility and possible closure scenarios. If closure is needed, extra-curricular and co-curricular activities will be suspended as well.
- The start of winter sports is just around the corner and staff is working on what they will look like.
- There will be a Special Board Meeting held on October 6, 2020.
- Dr. Severson will be presenting referendum information at the City Council Meeting on October 6, 2020.

Mary Jo Rozmenoski reported that WASB is continuing to hold trainings but not face to face.

Future Agenda Items –

- Does the Board want to continue with face coverings once the Governor's order ends on September 28, 2020? Dr. Severson is recommending that we would continue as we have been to the end of the first trimester and review it again at that time.
- Update on outstanding lunch balances.
- Update on expulsions and early remittance.
- Update on School Resource Officer.
- Update on SEL curriculum.

At 9:02 p.m. Mary Jo Radcliffe moved to adjourn. Amy Hoffman seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

Mary Jo Radcliffe, Clerk

Marti Herzberg, Recording Secretary

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