Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Education of the School District of Black River Falls on Monday, April 20, 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 Rozmenoski, Mary Jo Radcliffe, Patty Jacobson, Scott Barton, Amy Hoffman, Laurel Meek.

Board Members Absent: Nehomah Thundercloud.

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

Public Comment – None

Dr. Severson recognized Connie Seiber, Food Service Director, with a Board Commendation Award for all of her hard work involved in the food distribution plan during the COVID-19 Pandemic.

Dr. Severson thanked Laurel Meek and Nehomah Thundercloud for their years of service on the Board of Education. Laurel Meek was presented with a gift from the District.

Mary Jo Radcliffe, Board Clerk, administered the Oath of Office to Scott Barton, returning Member, and Troy Webb and Ann Dehmer, newly elected Board of Education Members.

Scott Barton moved to approve two senior FCCLA members to organize, along with the American Red Cross, a community blood drive on May 15, 2020. Patty Jacobson seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Mary Jo Radcliffe moved to approve the receipt of a $2,000.00 grant for a lifetime fitness room at Red Creek Elementary School. Amy Hoffman seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Mary Jo Radcliffe moved to nominate Mary Jo Rozmenoski as the CESA Annual Meeting Representative. Mary Jo Rozmenoski accepted the nomination. Amy Hoffman seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

The Board Members listened to a recorded presentation from Mike Shepard on the High School Social Studies Department.

Amy Hoffman moved to approve the employment recommendations as presented. Laurel Meek seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Dr. Severson reviewed updates from the State regarding COVID-19.
Dr. Severson reviewed the District’s COVID-19 plan moving forward. Laurel Meek moved to approve the plan as presented. Amy Hoffman seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Dr. Severson reviewed information from several other Districts on their attendance requirements for graduation eligibility. She will share more information at the June Board Meeting.

Mary Jo Radcliffe moved to approve the monthly expenditures as presented. Laurel Meek seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Mary Jo Radcliffe moved to approve the CESA contracts as presented. Patty Jacobson seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Mary Jo Rozmenoski read Policy 165- Board Member Code of Ethics. The Board Members agreed that there are no changes to be made and no action is needed.

Amy Hoffman moved to approve the meeting minutes from March 16, 2020 and March 26, 2020. Patty Jacobson seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Dr. Severson’s District Administrator’s Report included:

- Kent Weinman has received his WASBO Facility Management Certification.
- The Administration Team will be delivering the Presidential Academic Excellence Awards to students from their vehicles.
- 91% of school referendums passed during the April 7, 2020 Spring Election.

Mary Jo Rozmenoski reported that all WASB meetings are being done online.

A Board development meeting will be scheduled for Monday, April 27, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. to do Board reorganization.

At 7:53 p.m. Mary Jo Rozmenoski moved to adjourn to closed session under Wis. Stats. 19.85(1)(c)(f) for consideration, including action, if appropriate, regarding the employment/renewal/nonrenewal/medical leave of professional employees in addition to discussing the evaluation of the Superintendent. Mary Jo Radcliffe seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

At 9:15 p.m. Laurel Meek moved to adjourn. Patty Jacobson seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

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Mary Jo Radcliffe, Clerk                             Marti Herzberg, Recording Secretary