Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Education of the School District of Black River Falls on August 21, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. 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, Laurel Meek, Amy Hoffman, Nehomah Thundercloud, Scott Barton.

Board Members Absent: None

Meeting commenced with the verification of public notice.

Public Comment – None

Mary Jo Rozmenoski and Dr. Severson presented Cody Arnold with a Board Commendation for his volunteerism with the District.

Marcus Lewis presented information to the Board on professional development opportunities with the local SEEDS group. This group gives participants the opportunity to discuss topics on diversity. He would like to invite and encourage district and community personnel to participate.

Laurel Meek moved to approve the gifts and grants as presented. Mary Jo Radcliffe seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0. The District has been recommended to receive $15,000 through the Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse (AODA) Grant and they will also receive $2,563 in CTE Incentive Grant funding.

Dr. Severson reviewed the back to school schedule.

Jill Collins reviewed the new School District website configuration.

Dr. Severson shared a document from the Department of Public Instruction which includes a case study on the Memorandum of Understanding between the District and the Ho-Chunk Nation.

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

Stephanie Brueggen updated the Board on the Professional Learning Communities and the reasons for the one hour early release on Fridays during the 2017-2018 school year. This time will be used for PLC time.
Mary Jo Radcliffe moved to approve the High School Handbook as presented. Amy Hoffman seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

Dr. Severson reviewed the District Score Card from the Strategic Plan. This score card compares the survey question results, related to our four pillars, between the 2015-2016 survey and the 2017-2018 survey.

Patty Jacobson moved to approve the monthly expenditures. Laurel Meek seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

Mary Jo Radcliffe moved to approve the annual operating resolutions. Laurel Meek seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

Dr. Severson reported that the grounds at Red Creek are looking good. Summer custodial work is wrapping up. Work on the softball fields at Red Creek continues. The hope is that they will be available in the spring of 2018.

Laurel Meek moved to approve the meeting minutes as presented from the July 17, 2017 Regular School Board Meeting. Amy Hoffman seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

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

- The October 6th football game will be held in Westby at 3:30 p.m. because Westby doesn’t have lights on their football field.
- The Greater Northwest Basketball Tournament, that was held at the Lunda Community Center, brought in approximately 100 teams.
- The skylights from Third Street Elementary have been restored and installed. One is now hanging in the Board Room and one is in the grand staircase at Red Creek Elementary.

The Principals reported on their school news.

Mary Jo Rozmenoski reported that she attended the NSBA leadership conference. Dr. Severson reviewed the upcoming WASB meetings. There will be a Special School Board Meeting held on August 30, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

Future Agenda Items – Reminder of the October SEEDS meeting.

Mary Jo Radcliffe moved to adjourn at 7:50 p.m. Amy Hoffman seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

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Nehomah Thundercloud, Clerk                                           Marti Herzberg, Recording Secretary