MINUTES OF MEETING #8 OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BLACK RIVER FALLS ON OCTOBER 19, 2009 AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE DISTRICT OFFICE BOARD ROOM.

Board Members Present: Ken Artis, Ramie Bakken, Lois Corey, Mary Jo Rozmenoski, Don Mathews, Ron Wirtz

Board Members Absent: Laurel Meek

The meeting was called to order by President Ramie Bakken at 6:00 p.m.

Meeting commenced with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Notices of the meeting were delivered to the Banner Journal, WWIS Radio Station and Jackson County Chronicle and posted in three (3) public places on October 15, 2009.

Public Comment – The officers of the DECA Club were introduced by Advisor Amy Yaeger.

The officers are: Hannah Pooler, CEO – President
Mike Firkins – VP – Marketing
Jaime Helke – VP – Events
Stephanie Roberts – VP - Communications

Shelly Dalbec addressed the board with comments regarding an incident involving a transportation department employee. Tom and Glenda Cooper and Mike Puffer also expressed concern regarding the incident.

Melissa Kingswan addressed the board with a concern regarding an incident that involved a student being left on a school bus and not being dropped off at school.

Bronson Stein and Jordan Nortman, members of the Student Senate addressed the board

Don Mathews moved to approve the consent agenda. Ron Wirtz seconded the motion. Motion carried. The consent agenda included the September regular and special meetings minutes, monthly expenditures and the gift of a batting cage and shed for the baseball field (along with field work) with a value of $12,980.

Ron Wirtz moved to approve the certification of the annual tax levy of $5,945,794.00. Mary Jo Rozmenoski seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Ron Wirtz moved to approve the budget modifications as presented. Lois Corey seconded the motion. Motion carried.
Don Mathews moved to approve the Home-Based or Private School Policy and revisions to C & I Director and Pupil Services Director job description policies as presented. Ron Wirtz seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The School Admissions Policy 420 revision was presented and it will be brought back to the November meeting for a 2nd reading as there were no changes requested.

Don Mathews moved to approve the FCCLA field trip to Kentucky for their Regional competition as presented. Ron Wirtz seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Lois Corey moved to approve the FCCLA field trip to Chicago for their National competition as presented. Don Mathews seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Ramie Bakken moved to approve the High School Choir group’s request to go to New York for performances at Carnegie Hall as presented. Ken Artis seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Ron Wirtz moved to approve the Education for Employment Plan as presented. Lois Corey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

District News – Ron Saari updated the Board regarding his transition into the district including the progress he is making. Mike St. Pierre, part-time Director of Curriculum and Instruction, is interested in also working part-time as the C & I Director at the West Salem School District. The administrative team has talked about this and don’t see any problems. I will be working with the superintendent in West Salem regarding the details and believe this will be a positive for both districts.

The following gifts have been presented to the district:
- Spencer Emerich donated a set of men’s golf clubs to our Golf Team
- DonorChoose.org is donating a Fun with Phonics rug to a First Grade classroom in Mrs. Torkelson’s building.
- The Black River Falls Music Boosters is donating a Wegner 6-shelf music library unit. The purpose is to add to the choral music storage capacity in the H.S. choir room.

A guideline for the Use of School Facilities Rule 830 (1) was presented for review by the Board. As there were no objections to the revisions, the rule will be set in place.

2009 Marketing Education Program review – Megan Finch and Amy Yaeger presented their program review.

Board Goals – Discussion was held on the Board goals. It was decided to set another meeting to discuss ways to receive the data on student achievement.
There was also discussion on the district facilities and another meeting was set to meet with Brad Simonson, district architect, to review the possible options. The goal is to eliminate the portable classrooms in the district.

Future Agenda Identification –

CORE agenda items

Ron Wirtz moved to adjourn to closed session under section 19.85(1)(a) and 19.85 (1)(f) of Wisconsin Statutes to discuss and possibly take action of the following at 8:55 p.m.:

Admission of Expelled Student

Lois Corey seconded the motion.

Ayes: Ken Artis, Ramie Bakken, Lois Corey, Don Mathews, Mary Jo Rozmenoski, Ron Wirtz
Nays: None
Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned to closed session.

Lois Corey moved to return to open session at 9:40 p.m. Ron Wirtz seconded the motion.

Ayes: Ken Artis, Ramie Bakken, Lois Corey, Don Mathews, Mary Jo Rozmenoski, Ron Wirtz
Nays: None
Motion carried.

Don Mathews moved to adjourn at 9:40 p.m. Ron Wirtz seconded the motion.

Ayes: Ken Artis, Ramie Bakken, Lois Corey, Don Mathews, Mary Jo Rozmenoski, Ron Wirtz
Nays: None
Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned.

Adjournment