MINUTES OF MEETING #10 OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BLACK RIVER FALLS ON NOVEMBER 16, 2009 AT 4:30 P.M. IN THE DISTRICT OFFICE BOARD ROOM.

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

Board Members Absent: None

The meeting was called to order by President Ramie Bakken at 4:30 p.m. Lois Corey moved to adjourn to closed session under section 19.82, 19.85(1)(c), and (g) and 111.70 of Wisconsin Statutes to conduct a Grievance Hearing.

Ron Wirtz seconded the motion.

Ayes: Ken Artis, Ramie Bakken, Lois Corey, Don Mathews, Laurel Meek, Mary Jo Rozmenoski, Ron Wirtz

Nays: None

Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned to closed session.

Don Mathews moved to adjourn the closed session meeting at 5:35 p.m., and reconvene at 6:00 p.m. for the regular board meeting. Lois Corey seconded the motion.

Ayes: Ken Artis, Ramie Bakken, Lois Corey, Don Mathews, Laurel Meek, Mary Jo Rozmenoski, Ron Wirtz

Nays: None

Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned.

Adjournment

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

Meeting commenced with the verification of Public Notice.

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment - Forrest Funmaker was present to discuss the following issues: Memorandum of Understanding, Impact Aid, and graduation credit recovery for students at sophomore level as opposed to the senior level, Title VII monies allocated for teachers of
Ho-Chunk language, student conference reimbursement, and communication problems between the Nation and the School District. Mr. Saari addressed some of the issues listed above.

Ron Wirtz moved to approve the consent agenda items. Laurel Meek seconded the motion. Motion carried. The consent agenda included the October regular and special meeting minutes, monthly expenditures, and there were no employment recommendations and no gifts.

Ron Wirtz moved to approve the Spring Semester Youth Options proposals. Don Mathews seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Don Mathews moved to approve the December DECA trip to Minnesota. Ken Artis seconded the motion. Motion carried.

District News – Ron Saari updated the board about Administrative Assistant Barb Prochaska’s surgery and medical leave. Barb’s duties will be shared by Theresa Bade, Tammy Rush, Joey Eckles and Tracy Hoeschele. Week-long activities are set to commemorate Native American Awareness Week and American Education Week. Last week’s Veteran’s Day assembly programs were moving. Shelly Severson interjected that the Fox 25 promotion for ‘Are You Smarter Than a Fifth Grader?’ was held at Gebhardt Elementary. Fox 25 promotion ads featuring BRF students will run from November 28th through December 4th. Our district staff member Jen Sweeney was honored as ‘Art Teacher of the Year’. State Senator Katherine Vinehout contacted Mr. Saari personally to report that the district will receive over $14,000 in 2010 for overcharges incurred by Local Government Property Insurance Fund.

Athletic Director, Tom Leadholm was in attendance to present a report regarding the football re-alignment. Coulee Conference administrators and athletic directors are in support of this re-alignment. Each District in the State will receive one vote on the redistricting of the conferences.

Library Program Review -Cheri Zahasky presented the library program review.

Social Studies Program Review - Tony Boerger presented the Social Studies program review.

Ken Artis asked who made changes and selections to the ‘Code of Conduct’ for the board of education and Ramie Bakken answered combined language from other school districts and WASB services were used to bring COC to draft form. Mr. Saari made selections and presented the initial draft. The committee had asked Mr. Saari to bring forth the draft.

No discussion items were requested by the public.

Policy Committee report – policies considered are still in draft form. Committee will bring policies to December board meeting.
WASB – Ramie Bakken and Mary Jo Rozmenoski are set to attend convention. Christmas break deadline for other registrations.

Upcoming Meetings:
- November 23, 2009, 5:00 p.m.  Negotiations Committee
- November 30, 2009, 5:00 p.m.  Meeting with architect regarding facilities
- December 2, 2009, 5:00 p.m.  Curriculum Committee
- December 7, 2009, 5:30 p.m. Special Board Meeting regarding Academic Achievement

Ron Wirtz moved to adjourn at 7:25 p.m. Don Mathews seconded the motion.

Ayes: Ken Artis, Ramie Bakken, Lois Corey, Don Mathews, Laurel Meek, Mary Jo Rozmenoski, Ron Wirtz

Nays: None

Motion carried. The meeting adjourned.