Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Education of the School District of Black River Falls on December 18, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. in the District Office Board Room.

School Board President, Mary Jo Rozmenoski, called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board Members Present: Mary Jo Rozmenoski, Mary Jo Radcliffe, Laurel Meek, Nehomah Thundercloud, Patty Jacobson, Amy Hoffman.

Board Members Absent: Scott Barton

Meeting commenced with the verification of public notice.

Public Comment – None

Mary Jo Rozmenoski moved to move agenda item 8.1 Student Senate Report to occur before agenda item 6.2 Gifts/Grants. Mary Jo Radcliffe seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Dr. Severson presented Ruth Casper with a Board Commendation Award for her many years of dedicated service to the District and her added skills as an EMT.

Nolan Plaisance, Student Senate President, updated the Board on the projects that the Student Senate has been working on.

The gifts that were presented to the Board for approval were: $5,000 from Sarah Spindler and $5,000 from Wells Fargo for art supplies and visiting artists for the elementary art program, $500 from Bettie Norgard for art supplies at Forrest Street and Red Creek Elementary Schools, and $322.23 from Northwood Vet Service, Central Wisconsin Ag Services and Zoetis for the Activity Area.

The Board reviewed the WASB resolutions.

The Board decided to delay the vote on the Tiger Credit Union contract until the January meeting. Dr. Severson will contact the other local lending institutions prior to that meeting.

Jennifer Dahl, elementary art teacher, and Jennifer Stevens, Oneida Artist in Residence, presented information on the work they have been doing with the elementary students. They did a pinch pot demonstration that the Board Members participated in.

The Board reviewed the employment recommendations which consisted of the resignation of Eric Erickson, High School Counselor, and the hiring of Daisy Gerdes, High School Secretary.
Amy Hoffman moved to approve the Youth Options requests as presented. Laurel Meek seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Dr. Severson reviewed the State Accountability Report Card.

Dr. Severson reported on the progress that has been made with the school’s class scheduling changes. The work was done with the help of Dr. Mike Rettig. The changes for the elementary and middle schools will be implemented for the 2018-2019 school year. The High School did not clarify what, if any, changes will be forthcoming.

Stephanie Brueggen reviewed the topics that were discussed at the December 11th Student Success Committee meeting.

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

Laurel Meek moved to approve the second reading of policies: 345.5 Graduation Requirements, 345.51 Early Graduation, 345.52 Graduation Exercises, 346 Testing Program, 346.1 Nondiscrimination Testing, 344 Adult Education, 342.6 School Age Parent, 343 Instructional Arrangements, 345.2 Homework, 347 Student Records, 811.1 Native American Parent Involvement, 341.2 Education for Employment. Nehomah Thundercloud seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Mary Jo Radcliffe moved to approve the meeting minutes from November 20, 2017 and December 5, 2017. Laurel Meek seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Dr. Severson’s District Administrators Report included:

- The District received a 2019 school bus to replace the 2018 bus that was damaged in the incident on November 22, 2017. The cost of the replacement was $5,200.00.
- The Calendar Committee is ready to move forward with the proposed 2018-2019 school year calendar. The final calendar will be presented for approval at the January 15, 2018 School Board meeting.

The building principals updated the Board on the projects that are taking place at their schools.

Mary Jo Rozmenoski moved to appoint Mary Jo Radcliffe as the Delegate Assembly Representative at the WASB Education Convention in January. Amy Hoffman seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Laurel Meek moved to adjourn at 7:45 p.m. Amy Hoffman seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.