Minutes of meeting of the Board of Education of the School District of Black River Falls on July 20, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. in the District Office Board Room.

President, Mary Jo Rozmenoski, called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Board Members Absent: None

Meeting commenced with the verification of Public Notice.

Mary Jo Rozmenoski spoke about the importance of the School Board meetings being a “No Phone Zone”.

Public Comment – None

Mr. Brad Markhardt and several FFA officers updated the School Board on the many activities the group has been involved in during the past year. Last spring was the 75th anniversary of FFA in Black River Falls.

Mary Jo Radcliffe moved to approve the consent agenda. Laurel Meek seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0. The consent agenda included:

- Meeting minutes from 6-15-15 (Regular Meeting), 6-23-15 (Special), 6-29-15 (Special), 6-29-15 (Electorate)
- Monthly expenditures
- Employment information
- Gifts/Grants - $16,000.00 gift from the Jackson County Tennis Association for tennis court lighting, $15,000.00 AODA Grant
Nehomah Thundercloud moved to approve the High School Handbook for 2015-2016 with an addition of approved absences for cultural reasons. Laurel Meek seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

Laurel Meek moved to approve the transfer of funds from Fund 80 to Fund 21. Todd Stittleburg seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

Sherry Holt and Steve Markee presented information on the At-Risk Plan. Mary Jo Rozmenoski moved to approve the At-Risk Plan as presented. Laurel Meek seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

Mary Jo Rozmenoski moved to approve the second readings of Policies 185.1 - Board Policy Committee, 185.3 - Public Affairs Board Committee, and 171.21 - Agenda Format. Mary Jo Radcliffe seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

Nehomah Thundercloud moved to send Policy 162 - New Board Member Orientation, back to the Policy Committee for additions to reference cultural adversity. Mary Jo Rozmenoski seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

Dr. Severson presented the District Administrator’s Report which consisted of:
- Review of the information on Achievement Gap Reduction vs. SAGE
- Assistant Elementary Principal hiring update
- High School sign design review
- Strategic Planning materials and how they are going to be visible to everyone

Dave Roou spoke about the Middle School’s continuous improvement plan goals in reading, math and public relations.

Dr. Severson gave the Board a facility update and reviewed the upcoming events and decisions regarding the facilities.

Discussion Items Requested by Board – None

Discussion Items Requested by Public – None

Board Reports – Mary Jo Rozmenoski shared information from the WASB Summer Leadership Institute that she attended on July 18th.
The Policy Committee, Public Affairs Committee, and C & I Committee did not meet in July. They will resume their meetings in August.

Conference/Workshop Attendance – None

Other Reports – None

Future Agenda Items – The Board would like to see an example of the STAR test. They would like information on the amount of time students are spending on “screen time” in our elementary schools.

Mary Jo Radcliffe moved to adjourn at 8:14 p.m. Amy Hoffman seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

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Amy Hoffman, Clerk                                                         Marti Herzberg, Recording Secretary