Minutes of meeting of the Board of Education of the School District of Black River Falls on September 15, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. at the District Office Board Room.

The regular meeting was called to order by President Mary Jo Rozmenoski at 6:00 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board Members Present: Axel Dressler, Amy Hoffman, Nehomah Thundercloud, Laurel Meek, Mary Jo Radcliffe, Mary Jo Rozmenoski, Todd Stittleburg.

Board Members Absent: None

Meeting commenced with verification of public notice.

Public Comment – None

Amanda Baker and Devin Newby presented information on the FCCLA program (Family, Career, Community, & Leaders).

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

- Monthly Expenditures
- Employment Information
- $5,000.00 gift from Wells Fargo to be used in the elementary art department.

The School Principals introduced their new staff to the School Board.

Jill Collins reviewed the Bullying Policy Report and the School Board Policy on Anti-Bullying. Mary Jo Rozmenoski moved to approve these items. Laurel Meek seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

Stephanie Brueggen presented information on the virtual school curriculum modification requests and the parameters for enrolling student in online courses. She also shared that there are 24 students enrolled in Virtual School for 1st semester and 21 students scheduled to enroll for 2nd semester. Mary Jo Radcliffe moved to approve the curriculum modification requests. Laurel Meek seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.
During the District Administrator’s Report, Jill Collins shared information on student achievement and ACT test results. ACT testing is now a graduation requirement. Jill also stated that the school district has received a $55,000.00 BLAST grant. Our BLAST program serves 50–100 students in grades 1-5. Jill also informed the board that WEAU interviewed Dr. Shelly Severson regarding the upcoming November 4th referendum. The school Principals reported on their individual schools. They all reported the improvement they have noticed this year in student behaviors after the implementation of PBIS/The Tiger Way last year.

During “Discussion Items Requested by Administration”, Stephanie Brueggen discussed the school improvement plans and the school Principals reported on their specific school goals regarding Reading, Math, and Public Relations.

Referendum Updates – Jill Collins reported on the township and local organization meetings that are scheduled to take place prior to the November 4th referendum date. A referendum information flyer has been recently mailed to the community. Referendum information will be inserted into programs and people will be available to answer referendum related questions at home football and volleyball games. The school website is being continuously updated with answers to frequently asked questions, etc.

There were no discussion items requested by the public.

September 23rd is the WASB Regional Meeting in Viroqua. The 2015 Wisconsin State Education Convention will be held in Milwaukee on January 21-23, 2015.

The Policy Committee met in September and is working on policies to bring before the board in October.

Public Relations Committee didn’t meet in September.

Curriculum and Instruction/Student Achievement Committee met in September and they discussed graduation requirements.

Conference or Workshops - None

Other reports - None

Future Agenda Item Identification – None

Todd Stittleburg moved to adjourn at 8:08 p.m. Laurel Meek seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.