MINUTES OF MEETING # 21 OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BLACK RIVER FALLS ON MAY 17, 2010 AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE DISTRICT OFFICE BOARD ROOM.

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

Board Members Absent: None

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

Roll call was taken.

Meeting commenced with the verification of Public Notice followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Student Senate Report was presented by Emily Rios, member of the Student Senate.

Lois Corey moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Ron Wirtz seconded the motion. Motion carried with a 7-0 vote. The consent agenda included the April regular meeting minutes, the May10 special meeting minutes, monthly expenditures, resignation of Damon Panek, BRAGS teacher, and the gift from the American Legion Baseball Organization for a batting cage and storage shed with a value of $8,700.00. Motion carried with a 7-0 vote

Ron Wirtz moved to set the graduation date for the 2010-2011 graduates to Sunday, June 5, 2011. Laurel Meek seconded the motion. Motion carried with a 7-0 vote

Ron Wirtz moved to change the June 2010 regular board meeting date to June 28 instead of June 21. Mary Jo Rozmenoski seconded the motion. Motion carried with a 7-0 vote.

Ron Wirtz moved to sign the Wisconsin’s Phase Two – Race to the Top MOU. Lois Corey seconded the motion. Motion carried with a 7-0 vote.

The first reading of the proposed Virtual School Policy and Handbook was reviewed. As there were no changes suggested, the policy and handbook will be placed on the June agenda for the 2nd reading.
The first reading of the proposed changes to policy 171.2 – Agenda Preparation and Dissemination was reviewed. As there were no changes suggested, the revised policy will be placed on the June agenda for the 2nd reading.

Discussion was held on the administrative structure.

Mary Jo Rozmenoski moved to post and hire a principal to fill the open position at Forrest Street Early Learning Center. Lois Corey seconded the motion. Motion carried with a 7-0 vote.

Discussion was held on the NEOLA Policy Services. NEOLA is a policy service organization that offers school districts numerous policy templates, administrative guidelines (or rules), and a collection of forms that correlate to the guidelines.

Ron Wirtz moved to table action for a month regarding the NEOLA Policy Services. Lois Corey seconded the motion. Motion carried with a 7-0 vote.

Don Mathews moved to approve the four (4) foreign exchange student applications for the 2010-2011 school year. Laurel Meek seconded the motion. Motion carried with a 7-0 vote.

Ron Wirtz moved to approve the Title VII Youth Services 2009-2010 Agreement. Laurel Meek seconded the motion. Motion carried with a 7-0 vote.

Ron Saari reported that he attended FFA banquet last Friday, the Varity Show at the high school was well received, Joe Schmit has completed the WASBO Facilities Management program, and the SAGE requirements may change from 15 to 18 students when the governor signs the recommendation. June 10 & 11 the elementary principals and curriculum director will meet with about 60 teachers to align reading and math with Rti. On June 7th Shelly Severson will be in the dunk tank at Gebhardt Elementary School. Dave Roou has been working with the STARR program and with the transition to the high school. The Decades Fair will be held on May 26 from 1:00-3:00 at the middle school.

Discussion was held on the Strategic planning and the vision and priorities of the district. The board will have a special meeting on Monday, June 14, 2010 at 4:00 p.m. to discuss strategic planning.

Michael St. Pierre presented the 2009 WKCE results to the board. The students did not score as well as the district would have liked. The district needs to place a larger focus on student achievement.
Sherry Holt, director of Pupil Services, presented a report on parent liaisons. She has been working on getting two individuals trained to assist the special education parents and to help advocate for them. They will be able to help parents of special needs students understand the IEP process and their children’s education plan.

Board Self Assessment – The Board Assessments will be made available online.

Community Survey discussion – The Community Feedback Survey will be sent to the Public Affairs Committee for review. The Committee will meet on the 1st Monday of the month at 4:00 p.m. at the District Office.

District Administrator evaluation discussion – The District Administrator evaluation form will be made into a fill-in form for board members to complete.

Board Meeting Document Dissemination and Moodle. Discussion was held on moodle as a dissemination and the possibility of changing to Boarddocs.

Lois Corey, Susan Olstad and Mary Jo Rozmenoski attended the WASB Spring Academy. They all felt it was a very worthwhile conference.

Future Agenda Item Identification –

- Assessment
- Facilities Update
- NEOLA Policy Services

Ron Wirtz moved to adjourn to closed session under Wis. Stats. 19.85 (1)(c) for the purpose of discussion and action on compensation for administrative and non-represented support staff personnel. Also Wis. Stats, 19.85 (1)(3) for the purpose of BRFESPA bargaining negotiation discussion and BRFEA bargaining update at 8:50 p.m. Lois Corey seconded the motion.

Roll call vote:
Ayes: Ramie Bakken, Lois Corey, Don Mathews, Laurel Meek, Susan Olstad, Mary Jo Rozmenoski, Ron Wirtz.

Nays: None

Motion carried, the meeting was adjourned to closed session at 8:50 p.m.