Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Education of the School District of Black River Falls on Monday, August 17, 2020 in the District Office Board Room.

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

Board Members Present:  Mary Jo Rozmenoski, Mary Jo Radcliffe, Patricia Jacobson, Troy Webb, Amy Hoffman.

Board Members Absent:  Ann Dehmer, Scott Barton.

Mary Jo Rozmenoski confirmed the public hearing notice with Marti Herzberg.

Public Comment – None

Dr. Severson updated the Board on COVID-19 staff training that will occur on August 20, 2020 and social distancing expectations. She’s expecting further guidance from the Department of Health and Human Services.

Dr. Severson reviewed the employee handbook updates. Mary Jo Radcliffe moved to approve the changes as presented. Amy Hoffman seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Troy Webb moved to approve the employment information as presented. Mary Jo Radcliffe seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Dr. Kielbasa and Mr. Stalheim reviewed the At Risk Plan for the 2020-2021 school year. Mary Jo Radcliffe moved to approve the plan as presented. Troy Webb seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Dr. Severson reviewed the virtual and face-to-face enrollment numbers. Stephanie Brueggen reported on the virtual programming.

Mr. Jay Weinman updated the Board on the fall sports that will take place this year. Golf, tennis, cross country and swim started on August 17, 2020. Volleyball and soccer will start September 7, 2020. Middle School football will be played as flag football and they won’t be playing other schools. Mr. Weinman would like approval to move High School football to March and April, 2021. Mary Jo Radcliffe moved to approve the plan as presented. Amy Hoffman seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Mary Jo Radcliffe moved to approve the monthly expenditures. Troy Webb seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.
Amy Hoffman moved to approve the initial resolution authorizing general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed $23,000,000. Mary Jo Radcliffe seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Amy Hoffman moved to approve the resolution providing for a referendum election on the question of the approval of an initial resolution authorizing the issuance of general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed $23,000,000. Mary Jo Radcliffe seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Dr. Severson reviewed the upcoming referendum activities.

Mary Jo Radcliffe moved to approve the Annual Operating Resolutions. Amy Hoffman seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Amy Hoffman moved to approve Policy 112 Nondiscrimination and Policy 811.1 District Tribal Communications & Collaborations. Mary Jo Radcliffe seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Jill Collins reviewed the Federal Cares Act Funding Report which shows the funds available to assist the district with COVID-19 related costs, the district’s costs incurred due to COVID-19 so far and the savings received because of the COVID-19 shut down last year.

Mary Jo Radcliffe moved to approve the meeting minutes from the Special Meeting on July 13, 2020 and the Regular Meeting on July 20, 2020.

Dr. Severson’s Administrator’s Report included:
- The staff Covid-19 training will be on Thursday, August 20, 2020 at 8:00 a.m.
- The staff back to school get together will be held at the Lunda Park on Monday, August 24, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.

Jill Collins spoke about the wonderful job that Connie Seiber, our Food Service Department and many others did this summer while they continued to provide meals to our students through the COVID-19 Pandemic.

A Special Meeting for board development will be held on October 6, 2020.

Mary Jo Radcliffe moved to adjourn at 8:03 p.m. Troy Webb seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.