

School Board Minutes
Red Rock Central District No. 2884
Wednesday, April 20, 2022

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Education, District No. 2884, was held in the Board Room in Lamberton on Wednesday, April 20, 2022. Members present were: Erickson, Hansen, Kuehl, Pankonin, Rogotzke and Stavnes. Member absent: Kelsey. Others in attendance: Superintendent Lee, Principal Ewing, Deb Huffman, Michelle Anderson and Doreen Kronback.

Chairman Rogotzke called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Upon motion of Stavnes, seconded by Pankonin to approve the amended Agenda, the March 21, 2022 and April 8, 2022 Board Minutes and the Treasurer's Report as presented.

Upon motion of Pankonin, seconded by Kuehl the Board went into closed session at 5:02 pm for discussion pursuant to MN Stat. 13D, Subd. 3B.

Upon motion of Kuehl, seconded by Hansen the Board came out of closed session at 5:43 pm.

Superintendent Lee reported the following: Budget revisions show a deficit of \$607,000, Largest portion of that is the Redwood Electric building at \$495,000; Currently have available not spent ESSER funds of \$520,318.71, \$130,079.68-Learning Loss specifically, and \$103,105.41 for a total of \$753,503.80, also have \$12,965.41 and \$15,394.28 budgeted but unspent for various salaries for summer school, etc., wanted to deficit spend somewhat to reduce the overall budget surplus, Deficit spent somewhere around \$112,000 taking building out of the equation. That is a one-time expense unlike salaries; Unclear if free lunches will continue, it is expensive to offer, Some thought that MN could reimburse using Covid funds; Good news, we don't need to pay for the bus driver class , can do it ourselves, Needed to register us and create an account with the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, making RRC listed as private, won't offer to anyone other than someone who wishes to just get the school bus and passenger endorsement to drive for our district; Checking with some other districts that passed referendums and checked the budgets versus updated costs show that there isn't much that could have been done to prevent cost overruns; The district has a \$1000 deductible for Due process litigation, etc.; Would like to consider adding a Math specialist and Reading specialist .50 FTE to be paid for two years using Learning Loss funds, We have increased our technology and curriculum but haven't spent anything directly instruction related, Our MCA scores are not where we would like them to be and this would be a way to directly address some of the fall out due to distance learning and loss of instructional time, no one's fault but it is currently where we are.

Elementary Principal Dr. Friesen's report was as follows: Accelerated Reading, Pink Ribbon period ended April 14th - celebration held on 4/20th with 70 students earning their ribbon, activity - planting flowers; Reading Rodeo Awards, 128 students earned free pizza awards to Pizza Ranch, highest number yet; 2nd Grade Wax Museum , Extremely well attending, a stellar event that brings many parents and grandparents into the school; Title I, Updated parent and family engagement plan was revised for 2022-23 with parent input on April 11th; "Nachos & Numbers" Family Math Night on Monday, May 2nd, 6:30-8:00 pm (cafeteria) is open to all K-4 students and parents; Kindergarten Round UP was a great success, 17/20 expected families attended, Thank you, Chad, for providing a bus ride for the future kinders and their parents, the staff was well-prepared, the children (and their families) were delighted;

Trucking On-site Learning Experience, Tom Kuehl will be bringing his rig to school on April 28th for grades K-6 to check it out and learn a little about the trucking business, Thanks for offering this experience for our students, Tom; Teacher Appreciation Week (May 2-6) - still in the planning stages; Zaner-Bloser Penmanship Contest, RRC had four state-level winners, Winners will be announced at the elementary and gr. 5-6 music concerts.

E-12 Curriculum report; Currently inventorying materials on-hand in preparation for ordering student materials for 2022-23 in Math, Reading, Penmanship, Social Studies for K-6, items will be ordered after July 1st; Currently previewing 5-6th grade English/Grammar student workbooks to replace the 1996 World of Literature textbooks; Mystery Science materials will be ordered by June 1 to get the price break.

ESL - (PreK-12) report: One new family (Hmong) with 3 students; Informal assessment and ESL placement until the end of the yea, In the fall, if still in attendance, formal placement testing will take place.

Jr. / Sr. High Principal Ewing reported the following: MCA testing going very well, all Reading testing is completed and about half of the Math tests are completed, Secondary Math testing begins next week, Grades 5,8 and 10 Science test will begin next Tuesday and are planning on all MCA testing to be completed by Friday, May 6; Prom is this coming Saturday, hoping for good weather, schedule includes 5:00 pm Pictures, 6:00 pm Dinner at the Legion, 8:00 pm Grand March, 8:30 pm – 12:00 am Dance and 12:30 am – 5:00 am Prom Fest; Attended MASSP?MSBA Student Handbook Seminar on Tuesday, certain sections of our current handbook will need to be revised and or changed, hope to bring revisions for approval at June or July meeting; AP Statistics Exam is scheduled for May 5 at 11:30 am at Our Savior's Lutheran Church; Mid-term grades for 4th quarter for grades 7 – 12 are due Wednesday, April 27; Kathy Hoffman, Minister at Lamberton United Methodist Church is leading Ministerium planning for Baccalaureate on Sunday, ma22nd at Our Saviors Lutheran Church at 7:00 pm; Graduation planning moving along, Graduation is Friday, May 27; Two School Board Members to participate, Stavnes and Hansen volunteered, Speaker chosen by class is Mr. Hubert and Valedictorian is Carlie Arkell, Two Salutatorians are Hailey Amsden and Shane Rodgers and Spring sports have been trouble to schedule.

Upon motion of Hansen, seconded by Erickson and unanimously carried to approve all claims for payment in the amount of \$465,027.24. Final check #29568

Upon motion of Erickson, seconded by Hansen and unanimously carried to approve Sabbatical Leave for Susan Wilmes.

Upon motion of Pankonin, seconded by Kuehl and unanimously carried to approve the BSN Contract for uniforms and School District Branding of a new logo.

Upon motion of Stavnes, seconded by Hansen and unanimously carried to approve hiring Jamie Derickson as the Choir Director and Co-Director of the school Musical.

Upon motion of Hansen, seconded by Kuehl and unanimously carried to accept the Revised 2021-2022 Budget in the amount of \$41,782,813.00.

The Non-Certified Union has given notice of intent to negotiate.

Upon motion of Pankonin, seconded by Erickson and unanimously carried to adopt the Special Education Records Retention Policy.

Upon motion of Hansen, seconded by Erickson and unanimously carried to approve hiring Hannah Stevenson as Co-Director of the school Musical.

Upon motion of Stavnes, seconded by Hansen and unanimously carried to approve the resignation of English teacher Diana Zarrett and thank her for her service to the District.

Upon motion of Pankonin, seconded by Hansen and unanimously carried to approve hiring Colby Pack as the Dean of Students and Head Boys Basketball Coach.

Upon motion of Kuehl, seconded by Stavnes and unanimously carried to approve hiring Shelby Spuller as a Grade 4 teacher and Junior High Volleyball Coach.

Upon motion of Stavnes, seconded by Pankonin approve the resolution for reestablishing precincts and polling places as follow:

RESOLUTION REESTABLISHING PRECINCTS AND POLLING PLACES

WHEREAS, the legislature of the State of Minnesota has been redistricted; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statute section 204B.14, subd. 3 (d) requires that precinct boundaries must be reestablished within 60 days of when the legislature has been redistricted or at least 19 weeks before the state primary election, whichever comes first;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the School Board of Red Rock Central ISD #2884, Counties of Brown, Cottonwood, Redwood, State of Minnesota hereby reestablishes the boundaries of the voting precincts and polling places as follows:

Precinct 1 – Established Polling Places

Precinct 1: Johnsonville, North Hero, Ann, Westbrook, Waterbury, and Lamberton townships; City of Lamberton. (Redwood and Cottonwood Counties)

Precinct 2 – Established Polling Places

Precinct 2: Rosehill, Southbrook, Storden, Amo, Springfield, Amboy, Dale, Delton, and Carson townships; City of Storden and City of Jeffers. (Cottonwood County)

Precinct 3 - Established Polling Places

Precinct 3: Highwater, Willow Lake, Charlestown, Germantown, Sundown, North Star, and Stately townships; City of Sanborn. (Redwood, Cottonwood and Brown Counties)

Roll call vote. Those in favor: Erickson, Pankonin, Kuehl, Hansen, Stavnes, Rogotzke. Those opposed: None. Absent: Kelsey

Open discussion: Hypnotist for Prom was pleased to be invited, enjoys the RRC students; Questions about creating job for Colby Pack; Superintendent and Rogotzke met with Meadowland CEO and director about purchasing the property they own by the pool, will need to make an offer; POC meeting is April 21, bid packages for parts of the construction will be discussed and will local contractors be included in construction of the new school

Upon motion of Stavnes, seconded by Hansen the meeting was adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

The next regular monthly meeting will be held on Monday, May 23, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.

Nate Erickson, Clerk

Doreen Kronback, Recorder