

School Board Minutes
Red Rock Central District No. 2884
Wednesday, September 18, 2019

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Education, District No. 2884 was held in the Board Room in Lamberton on Wednesday, September 18, 2019. Members present were: Hansen, Kelsey, Myers, Pankonin, Pfarr, Rogotzke and Stavnes. Others present: Superintendent Lee, Principal Goetstouwers, Elementary Principal Friesen, Deb Huffman and Doreen Kronback.

Chairman Rogotzke called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Upon motion of Kelsey, seconded by Stavnes and unanimously carried to approve the corrected Agenda, the August 19, 2019 minutes and Treasurer's report as presented.

Principal Friesen presented the following E-4 report: New RRC staff, Carla Hoppe – Kindergarten, Jason McNamara – K Para/Coach, Ann Nelson – van driver and grade 1-4 para, Mindi Hesse – PreK helper, Kathryn VanderZiel – SPED, SMSU student teachers Lidia Wallerich and Tabatha Schwint; Elementary enrollment E (PreK) -57 up from 48, K-4 – 146 up from 142, Outgoing K-4 – 8; Special events include a Grade 4 field trip to SWROC and Wild About Animals lyceum for grades K -6 sponsored by the student council; Regular occurring meetings Child Study, Administrative Team, Q comp and E-4 Staff have been scheduled for the year; Benchmark Data arrived and was given to teachers and administration, new format this year; Curriculum changes, Zaner Bloser handwriting starting in Grade 2, Wonders online workspaces for grades K-2 and 3-6, Math Connects Access and Social Studies support materials available online; Increase in online programs for use in E – 4 classrooms, carefully evaluated before selection for student use; Kindergarten students show a lack of readiness, considering a Transitional Kindergarten in the future; Professional conversation for staff are using Google Classroom; NWEA testing K-4 for Reading and Math and Dibles for K-2 and current title students grades 3-4 have been completed by Sheila Ryker and team.

Deb Huffmann presented a request to start a Cheerleading Squad to promote school spirit; There are 12 girls Grades 7 – 11 that have shown interest; Old uniforms are outdated and not enough, first year would wear shorts and t-shirts; Deb would be willing to volunteer to coach the Cheerleaders, Practice would be Monday after Volleyball practice. The Board directed the Superintendent to check into costs and details as it would be good to increase school spirit.

Principal Goetstouwers presented the Grades 5 - 12 Leadership Report: US News and World Report has named RRC One of America's Best Schools with a Silver Award, this is the eleventh year in a row; Ordered road signs that recognize our school for the National Blue Ribbon Award; Pre- K -12 Open House on Wednesday of Workshops had good attendance; New teachers and Para include: Adam Schumacher – Grade 5, Megan Chicos – Ag/FFA, Rachel Steinle Speech and Language Pathologist and Para - Mindi Hesse; Cell slips for cell phones during classes are being used; Chromebook use has been going smoothly; MCA Scores data is back; Advanced Placement exam scores results Statistics 5 of 9 received a 3 or higher and Geography 6 out of 13 received a 3 or higher; 10 incoming students grades 5 – 12; 11 outgoing students grades 5 – 12; School pictures were last Thursday and Friday by Red Barn Photography, retakes on Wednesday, October 15th; Homecoming this week, Coronation was Monday night King was Tavion Ryker and Queen Bridget Bierl, Varsity Volleyball game 1:00 p.m. Friday; Next Friday Volleyball will be played in Wabasso for their Homecoming; FFA Trap Shoot have had 2 competitions so far placing 6th and 9th out of 28 teams; Gavin Hesse was 5th out of 128 participants, Jaden Bittner was 9th, State competition is Friday in Marshall; FFA Greenhand (8th graders) and Leadership Training (officers) is September 25th; Environmental Science for 5th and 6th grades is September 25 at Lake Shetek; Career Expo for 10th graders is September 24; RRC Choir was invited to sing the National Anthem again at the St. Cloud University Hockey game on Saturday, November 2nd; first lockdown and fire drill was held, will make some updates to add security and accountability of students; Lyceum include Craig Hillier last Wednesday on leadership, John Baylor on Friday on ACT Prep and building towards success and Bob Lenz in October on suicide prevention; Ten students are interested in the Dance Team, they are hoping to practice twice a week and avoid conflict with sport and theater practices, it is a non-competitive team and hope to perform during Boys Basketball halftimes, Leader Britta Kelsey-Bassett will

volunteer her time; MCA Official Results for 2017-2018 and 2018-2019 were presented showing a small achievement gap at RRC between high and low achievers.

2019 – 2020 District Goals:

Elementary goal: The percentage of all students in grades 1, 2, and 3 in the 2019-2020 school year at Red Rock Central School District who meet or exceed their fall to spring individual RIT Growth Projection the NEWA MAP in Reading will increase from 79.0% in spring 2019 when this group of students were in K-2 in the 2018-2019 school year to 80.0% in Spring 2020.

Grades 5 – 12 goal: Identify the standardized assessment in the SMART total: The percentage of all students enrolled December 15th in grades 5, 6, 7, 8, and 11 at Red Rock Central School who earn an achievement level of proficiency on the standards on the Math MCA and MTAS tests will increase from 61.6% in 2019 to 62.6% in 2020.

Superintendent Lee reported the following: Looking to purchase software to be used in a lockdown scenario to insure all the faculty and staff are receiving the lockdown information; Will stay with Madison National Life Insurance carrier with a 3 year agreement annual price is reduced; Submitted Earnest Money on the property at 206 5th Avenue, the closing date is October 1, 2019; New bus is here and in service, the old bus will be taken out of service this week; Principal Goetstouwers, Rogotzke and Superintendent met with people about a daycare coming to the Nursing Home, will support them as much as possible; Met with Krista Daniels about putting on a Spelling Bee at Red Rock Central, will move forward with the plan, grades K – 8 will participate with grades 5 – 8 competing in the actual Spelling Bee; Removing the wood bleachers and block bleachers at the Baseball field; Having Radon testing done and met with Athletic Director Bartholomaeus about Spring sport charge backs, RRC cost \$30,000.00 and WWG \$10,000.00, need to negotiate a Pairing Agreement.

Upon motion of Myers, seconded by Hansen and unanimously carried to approve all claims for payment in the amount of \$123,939.22. Last Check #26423

Upon motion of Pfarr, seconded by Hansen and unanimously carried to certify the proposed 2019 – Payable 2020 levy at the MAXIMUM amount. The following voted in favor thereof: Kelsey, Stavnes, Hansen, Pfarr, Pankonin, Myers and Rogotzke. The following voted no: None. Motion carried.

Upon motion of Kelsey, seconded by Myers and unanimously carried to approve the MSBA Delegate Assembly proposed Legislative Resolution as presented. Those voting in favor: Kelsey, Stavnes, Hansen, Pfarr, Pankonin, Myers and Rogotzke. Those against: None. Motion carried.

Upon motion of Kelsey, seconded by Stavnes and unanimously carried to accept the resignation of Vicki Janssen as Transportation Director/Finance Secretary and thank for her for her service to the District.

Upon motion of Pankonin, seconded by Pfarr and unanimously carried to approve hiring Stacey Vold as the Transportation Director/Finance Secretary.

Other items discussed: The draft copy of the Superintendent Performance Evaluation for 2019-2020 School Year; The press release for the Task Force Meetings needs to be sent out earlier; ALICE Training has been completed in the past, need to revisit in the Fall; School Lunch portions for Elementary have been small; Second new bus will arrive in October and the need to thank benefactors of the bus gift.

Upon motion of Hansen, seconded by Kelsey the meeting was adjourned at 6:57 p.m.

The next monthly meeting will be held Monday, October 21, 2019 at 5:30 p.m.

Chad Stavnes, Clerk

Doreen Kronback, Recorder