

School Board Minutes

Red Rock Central District 2884

Monday, January 25, 2016

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Education, District No. 2884 was held in the Jeffers School Library on Monday, January 25, 2016. Members present were: Bierl, Clarke, Hansen, Kelsey, Rasmussen, Rogotzke and Stavnes. Others in attendance: Superintendent Olson, Principal Goetstouwers, Lead Teacher Altermatt, Doreen Kronback, Shelia Ryker, Joe Dietl and Joel Alvstad.

Chairman Rogotzke called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Upon motion of Rasmussen, seconded by Kelsey and unanimously carried, to approve the Agenda, December 21, 2015 Board Minutes and Treasurer's report as presented.

Upon motion of Clarke, seconded by Kelsey and unanimously carried, to approve the 2016 Board Officers, official newspaper, fiscal agent and legal counsel as follows: Board Chairman - Rogotzke; Vice Chairman - Kelsey; Clerk - Clarke; Treasurer - Stavnes; Official Newspaper - Lamberton News; Fiscal Agent - First Security Bank and Legal Counsel - Rupp, Anderson, Squires and Waldspurger.

The following Committees were agreed upon by the Board:

LEGISLATIVE – Kelsey; Rasmussen alternate.

NEGOTIATIONS AND PERSONNEL OF CERTIFIED STAFF – Stavnes, Rasmussen and Rogotzke; Clarke alternate.

NEGOTIATIONS AND PERSONNEL OF NON-CERTIFIED STAFF – Clarke, Kelsey and Hansen; Rasmussen alternate.

COMMUNITY EDUCATION – Bierl; Rogotzke alternate.

FINANCE/BUILDING COMMITTEE – Clarke, Kelsey and Hansen.

TECHNOLOGY PLANNING/RRCNET – Rogotzke and Stavnes

MSHSL SCHOOL BOARD REP – Stavnes

Lead Teacher Altermatt reported the following: 1113 tickets were given to 59 students for Caught Being Good in December, Winners were: K – Colton Jeckell, Grade 1 - Braylon Bedner and Addison Morazik, Grade 2 – Jack Grant and Jake Erickson, Grade 3 – Riley Jones and Grade 4 – Eva Redman and Ava Juhnke; Student Council is sponsoring a Marshmallow Guessing Contest for grades Pre – 4; Local Zaner-Bloser handwriting grade level winners have been sent to Zaner-Bloser; Pillowcase Project – Sharon Furth is working with the American Red Cross on the project; Grades 3 and 4 will decorate pillowcases and fill the with items needed to give families in need; Parking for parents picking up their child is now available on the North side of the street, south of the Elementary School; Four new students have enrolled since Christmas Break – one - grade 2, two - grade 1 and one Kindergarten; Lyceum January 20, 2016 was Mike the Baker, a storyteller encouraging reading and not technology; Practice Lockdown was January 18, Reports cards go out Wednesday, January 27; January 11 -15 was Paraprofessional Week, the Para staff was treated each day and given noon duty off; NWEA testing completed; Math and Reading OLPA to be given and Active Shooter Training, need to revisit lock down procedures.

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Principal Goetstouwers reported the following: Registered two new students one each grade 5 and 7; Received a matching Blandin Broadband grant of \$6000.00 to obtain – 20 laptop computers, one lockable storage cart, one 3 D printer and OFFICE 2016 licensed software; Southwest Minnesota Arts and Humanities Council (SMAHC) awarded RRC a \$4000.00 grant for the 42nd Annual Jazz Festival; Snow Week Festivities January 11-15 included competition for decorating areas of the building or classrooms for a Pizza Party; Human Foosball inspired by Art teacher Clayton Hubert and a dance; Jr High Concert and Knowledge Bowl were both held January 11 and were shortened due to the weather; Financial Aid meeting was held January 18 with a good turn out; End of first semester is January 22; January 25 is a teacher workshop day, program for the day includes “Active Shooter” training 8 a.m. – 12 p.m., a form of ALICE training, a new form of response of lockdown if there ever was an active shooter in the building; Second semester scheduling will allow students to change schedules until Friday, at 3:30 p.m.; One Act Play “Octogenarian” involves 18 students who will perform at competition January 30; February 9 the Bobcats will host team Wrestling Sections due to their first place seed and Counselor Karnitz has arranged for 9 students to take the Accuplacer Exam in Lamberton and took 3 students to Ridgewater College for a college visit when parents were unavailable for the visit.

Superintendent Olson reported the following: Attended the MSBA Convention, a session on Special Elections stating that if there is an opening on the Board for over a year, you must have a special election; Exploring a new phone service for the Lamberton Building keeping the same numbers; Requested to put \$5,000.00 per month in an account to be used for future technology expenses; Bus disposal, bus number 2 is no longer road worthy, can sell keeping the new tires for \$1300.00 and Affordable Care Act handout was available for members to review, potentially 22 employees could be insured or the district pays a penalty.

Kelsey commented on previous audit information concerning students who were awarded trips i.e. FFA as seniors and are not eligible to use funds in the organizations account. He has contacted the State Department of Education to get it changed and will continue pursuing to get the rule changed.

Upon motion of Clarke, seconded by Bierl and unanimously carried to approve all claims for payment in the amount of \$133,085.34. Receipts were \$879,569.70

Superintendent Olson presented a Special Agreement for Teacher Certification, a staff member needs a Master's Degree to teach a class that is considered post-secondary; the proposed agreement did not meet with staff approval. No action was taken.

A public informational meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. in the Gymnasium concerning the Jeffers Building Decisions. Superintendent Olson and Principal Goetstouwers will present the proposed bus routes, Lamberton building classroom layout and possible use of Jeffers building Gymnasium.

A Special Meeting of the Board of Education will be held on Monday, February 1, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. in Lamberton concerning the Jeffers Building Decision.

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The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Board of Education will be held Tuesday, February 23, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. in Lamberton.

Upon motion of Kelsey, seconded by Clarke and unanimously carried, to adjourn the meeting at 6:55 p.m.

Alan J. Clarke, Clerk

Doreen Kronback, Reporter