

School Board Minutes
Red Rock Central District No. 2884
Wednesday, December 20, 2023

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Education, District No. 2884, was held in the Board Room in Lambertton on Wednesday, December 20, 2023. Members present were: Erickson, Grant, Imker, Kuehl, Rogotzke and Stavnes. Member Absent: Pankonin. Others in attendance: Superintendent Lee and Principal Ewing, Paula Derickson, Jamie Derickson, Michelle Anderson and Doreen Kronback.

Chairman Rogotzke called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Upon motion of Grant, seconded by Stavnes to approve the amended Agenda, the November 15 and December 6, 2023 Board Minutes and the Treasurer's Report as presented.

Upon motion of Stavnes, seconded by Imker and unanimously carried to go into closed session at 4:36 p.m. to discuss Sat., Subd 3(a).

Upon motion of Imker, seconded by Kuehl the board came out of closed session at 5:16 p.m.

Principal Ewing presented the following Jr/Sr High report: MN Honor Society Induction Ceremony set for Monday, January 29th at 7:00pm, new inductees selected and letters sent this week, names reported next month; Natalee Lenning participated in the FFA Creed Speaking Tuesday last week, placed 5th out of 13 participants, Fish and Wildlife teams placed 18th and 49th out of 54 teams, Small Animal teams placed 28th and 37th out of 44 teams, many of the lower placing teams had students that were first-time Jr. High or they had only had 2 out of 3 scores that counted; ExCEL Award, This year's nominees are Maia Scheffler and Mason Huffman; Triple A Award Applications being completed by the Seniors and our representatives selected by January 8th; 5th - 8th Grade Winter Concert will be January 15th, at 7:00 p.m.; End of the 2nd Semester is Thursday, January 18th, No student's on Friday, January 19th, a Staff Development Day; Contracted with Gruvy Education to bring in William Grube to provide Professional Development for all staff in the morning, topic is "How to incorporate AI in planning and instruction and how to teach the use of AI to students."; and Principal Ewing will broadcast Wrestling and Superintendent Lee, Basketball for home events.

Superintendent Lee presented the following Superintendent/K-4 Principal report: Project update: Roofing is 80% done, The windows were lost, the company remaking and paying for the replacements as well as additional money for temporary heating, They will send double crew and install, but they won't be ready until mid-January; Coordinating with them regarding the video board, Discussed when funds would be needed for the eligible portion of abatement bond, may be sooner than anticipated, would just move up the hearing and process presented last month, If board decided to increase the operating levy, could be done at the same time; Long Term Facility and Maintenance update, LTFM had to determine if the old revenue funding would benefit more than the new per-pupil LTFM funding, If would benefit more from the old formula, would need to file an appeal using the Hold Harmless provision, better for us to not file an appeal; Received extra backfilling cost, in the amount of \$86,000, POC discussed in September, due to the plumbing needing to be deeper than the geo piers; Doing a lead in our water testing, it's a requirement and was due to expire, cost \$1050; Nicole Churchill and I working on amending our policy regarding, "per nurse discretion" when it comes to 24 hours at home, nurse would like a little more leeway if a student isn't having any symptoms and the student's illness for example, "vomiting if not related to car sick, concussion syndrome, or other non-infectious disease should remain episode-free for 24 hours"; The video board project received a large donation from First Security Bank, \$100,000, had applied for this funding, Now have additional revenue, First idea is put

back the marquee sign by the road, Had removed that from the project due to budget but included the conduit to the location, The approximate cost of \$50,000 covered with this donation, a few of the sponsors paid the entire cost up front as well; I think we found a driver's education vehicle replacement. asking Doug Decock to keep his eye out for something, has a 2024 Trailblazer with 59 miles and right door damage, with repairs and a brake installed in the \$22,000 range, try using ESSER funds to pay for the vehicle; Received information from the second bus company, will discuss in January.

Upon motion of Erickson, seconded by Kuehl to approve all claims for payment in the amount of \$5,132,579.80, Kuehl rescinded the second and amended the motion to remove payment of the Bobcat unless the price was matched or the machine returned. Motion carried. Final check #31661

Upon motion of Stavnes, seconded by Erickson and unanimously carried to approve and post the World's Best Workforce Plan as presented.

Member Grant moved adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING COMBINED POLLING PLACES
FOR MULTIPLE PRECINCTS AND DESIGNATING HOURS DURING WHICH THE POLLING
PLACES WILL REMAIN OPEN FOR VOTING
FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTIONS NOT HELD
ON THE DAY OF A STATEWIDE ELECTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of Independent School District No. 2884, State of Minnesota, as follows:

1. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 205A.11, the precincts and polling places for school district elections are those precincts or parts of precincts located within the boundaries of the school district which have been established by the cities or towns located in whole or in part within the school district. The board hereby confirms those precincts and polling places so established by those municipalities.

2. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 205A.11, the board may establish a combined polling place for several precincts for school district elections not held on the day of a statewide election. Each combined polling place must be a polling place that has been designated by a county or municipality. The following combined polling places are established to serve the precincts specified for all school district special and general elections not held on the same day as a statewide election:

Combined Polling Place: _Lamberton Community Center 102 2nd Ave East Lamberton, MN 56152

"This combined polling place serves all territory in Independent School District No. 2884 located in Brown, Cottonwood and Redwood Counties, Minnesota."

*3. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 205A.09, the polling places will remain open for voting for school district elections not held on the same day as a statewide election between the hours of 8:00 o'clock (a.m./p.m.) and 8:00 o'clock p.m.

4. The clerk is directed to file a certified copy of this resolution with the county auditors of each of the counties in which the school district is located, in whole or in part, within thirty (30) days after its adoption.

5. As required by Minnesota Statutes, Section 204B.16, Subdivision 1a, the clerk is hereby authorized and directed to give written notice of new polling place locations to each affected household with at least one registered voter in the school district whose school district polling place location has been changed. The notice must be a nonforwardable notice mailed at least twenty-five (25) days before the date of the first election to which it will apply. A notice that is returned as undeliverable must be forwarded immediately to the appropriate county auditor, who shall change the registrant's status to "challenged" in the statewide registration system.

The resolution was duly seconded by Erickson. Roll call vote: Those in favor: Imker, Erickson, Grant, Kuehl, Stavnes and Rogotzke. Those against: None. Absent: Pankonin. Motion carried.

The first reading of a revised Illness Policy was presented.

Chairman Rogotzke opened the Truth in Taxation meeting at 6:00 p.m.

Superintendent Lee presented the Truth in Taxation Levy information for discussion.

Chairman Rogotzke closed the Truth and Taxation meeting at 6:29 p.m.

Upon motion of Kuehl, seconded by Imker and unanimously carried to certify the 2023 payable 2024 Final Levy in the amount of \$3,267,616.52.

Open Discussion: Bus Service offer, will present in January; Pairing of Winter Sports & Volleyball; Joint meeting with City Council in March for discussion on plans for old building; FEMA grant money; REC building time frame for preparation to be used by Trades Classes; School building on schedule; Statement of number of student body; Evaluation of Fitness Center training equipment and MSBA Conference attendance.


Upon motion of Stavnes, seconded by Imker and unanimously carried to go into closed session at 7:07 p.m. to continue discussion of Sat., Subd 3(a).


Upon motion of Imker, seconded by Stavnes the board came out of closed session at 8:33 p.m.

Upon motion of Imker, seconded by Stavnes the meeting was adjourned at 8:34 p.m.

Work Session will be held on Wednesday, January 3, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.

The next regular monthly meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 17, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.


Nate Erickson, Clerk


Doreen Kronback, Recorder