

School Board Minutes  
Red Rock Central District No. 2884  
Wednesday, January 22, 2025

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Education, District No. 2884, was held in the Media Center in Lambertton on Wednesday, January 22, 2025. Members present were: N Erickson, T Erickson, Grant, Imker, Kuehl, and Rogotzke. Member absent: Werner. Others in attendance: Superintendent Lee, Principal Ewing, AD Colby Pack, Paula Derickson, Clayton Hubert, Susan Wilmes, Derek Stevenson, Betsy Hubert, Marcia Therkilsen, Tom Neperman, Kimberly Salisbury, Michelle Anderson, Lynn Pfarr, and Doreen Kronback.

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Newly elected Board Members; N Erickson, T Erickson, and Kuehl recited the Oath of Office.

Vice Chairman Kuehl called for nominations for Chairman. N Erickson nominated Rogotzke, Imker nominated Kuehl, Rogotzke closed nominations. Vote results: 3 for Rogotzke and 3 for Kuehl. Vice Chairman Kuehl called for a second vote. Vote result: Kuehl 4 and Rogotzke 2. Kuehl was declared Chairman.

Chairman Kuehl called for nominations for Vice Chairman. Imker nominated Rogotzke, N Erickson seconded; hearing no other nominations Rogotzke was declared Vice Chairman.

Chairman Kuehl called for nomination for Clerk. Rogotzke nominated N Erickson, Imker seconded; hearing no other nomination N Erickson was declared Clerk.

Chairman Kuehl called for nomination for Treasurer. Rogotzke nominated Imker, Grant seconded; hearing no other nomination Imker was declared Treasurer.

Chairman Kuehl set the following:

Regular Monthly Board Meetings to be held on the Third Wednesday of the month.

OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER – Lambertton News

OFFICIAL DISTRICT DEPOSITORY – First Security Bank

LEGAL COUNSEL – LEGAL COUNSEL –Squires, Waldspurgen, & Mace, P.A.

Upon motion of Imker, seconded by T Erickson and unanimously carried to set Board Member Compensation: Chairman - \$400.00; Vice Chairman - \$200.00; Clerk - \$400.00; Treasurer - \$200.00 and \$50.00 - Per Meeting

The following Committees were assigned by Chairman Kuehl:

LEGISLATIVE – Kuehl; alternate Grant

NEGOTIATIONS AND PERSONNEL OF CERTIFIED STAFF – Rogotzke, T Erickson; alternate Werner

NEGOTIATIONS AND PERSONNEL OF NON-CERTIFIED STAFF – Rogotzke, Imker; alternate Kuehl

COMMUNITY EDUCATION – Imker; alternate Grant

FINANCE/BUILDING COMMITTEE – Kuehl, N Erickson, Imker

TECHNOLOGY PLANNING – Rogotzke, N Erickson, Kuehl

POC COMMITTEE – N Erickson, Rogotzke

MEET AND CONFER – Grant, T Erickson, alternate Imker

MSHSL SCHOOL BOARD – Imker

POLICY REVIEW: Imker, Grant, alternate Werner

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE - Werner and Kuehl

Upon motion of Rogotzke, seconded by Imker to approve the amended Agenda, the December 18, 2024 minutes and the Treasurer's Report as presented.

Kuehl reported on the Minnesota School Board Association Leadership Conference he attended; speakers were informative and the RRC Board should review the District's Strategic Plan.

Clayton Hubert presented another request to have the Youth Athletic Programs considered as a Category I event in the RRC School Rental Agreement; the Wrestling program proceeds from registration and concessions go to the Wrestling Association who in turn share them with the RRC Wrestling Program. The Youth Wrestling Program is free of charge to all students. The administrating board for the Rental Agreement Policy will take the request into consideration.

Derek Stevenson inquired about Softball Fields at the Lamberton facility; The County Park in Walnut Grove is currently used, but doesn't provide storage for equipment and requires the coach to drive to all practices and games unlike other coaching staff.

Principal Ewing presented the following Grade 5 – 12 report: End of the 1st Semester was Friday, January 17<sup>th</sup>, Report cards were posted today; Winter Spirit Week is the week of February 10<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup>, There will be dress – up days all week and a dance on Friday, February 14<sup>th</sup> after the basketball game in the Commons; All winter sports are just about to head into their final stretch, Boys Basketball has a record of 2 - 13, Girls Basketball has a record of 0 - 18 and Wrestling has a record of 2 – 15; The One Act Play is: "The Inexplicable Chaos Factor of Mia Gregory" 8 students in the cast and crew (7-12), Subsections are on Saturday Jan. 25<sup>th</sup> in Redwood Falls at their Performing Arts Center, Sections are the following week on Saturday, February 1<sup>st</sup>; The Elementary and High School Student Councils have contracted with the Climb Theatre to present 2 plays to the student bodies 1<sup>st</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> Grade will see the play "Pop Stars" and the Secondary will see the play "Relative Location" and will be attending the Minnesota Association of Secondary School Principals Winter Conference from Wednesday, January 29<sup>th</sup> - Friday, January 31<sup>st</sup>.

Superintendent Lee Superintendent/PK-4 Principal reported the following: Board members, emails will start to be two-factor authentication, Mr. Runck will explain how that will work; New officers will need to update the banking information signatures, Please work with Stacey Vold on doing that, have a sheet here to sign; Paraprofessional week is this week, please thank our paras if you see them, They are vital to our school and much appreciated, The administration does something special for them; Spoke with Matt from Bolten and Menk about the athletic fields again, pausing any action on that for now, Directed by the Board to add to the February Agenda and request for proposals for a main and alternate Softball field; MDE posted FY 2026 preliminary Compensatory Revenue calculations, is the first year of just direct certification students used in the calculation, were fortunate not to take much of a hit, are estimated to go from \$317,139 to \$292,572 in 2026, The incentive to fill out the educational benefits form and qualify that way is no longer available: May want to charge for athletic fees and Chromebook insurance again since participation in the program is not as beneficial to the district; Are continuing to review the language arts curriculum in the elementary school, have had a few webinars and samples delivered, next step is going to be to contact some area schools and check on watching a lesson.

Upon motion of Rogotzke, seconded by N Erickson and unanimously carried to approve all claims in for payment in the amount of \$2,262,373.55. Final check 33172

Kimberly Salisbury a representative from Southern MN Auctions presented a Proposal for an Online Auction of the items in the old school building, the sale would be online only; two auction dates would be March 3 –

March 17 and March 17 – March 31 followed by specific dates to pick up purchased items. The auction company does all the advertising, staging, assisting pick up of purchased items and securing payment.

Upon motion of Imker, seconded by Rogotzke and unanimously carried to accept the Proposal from Southern MN Auctions for the sale items in the old school building.

Upon motion of Imker, seconded by Grant and unanimously approved to accept the highest bid of \$3175.00 from Blaine Roiger for the excess two post lift, with removal by January 31, 2025.

Upon motion of Rogotzke, seconded by T Erickson and unanimously carried to approve the hire of Kalley Hoffman a Speech Pathologist for the 2025 – 2026 school year.

Upon motion of N Erickson, seconded by Rogotzke and unanimously carried to approve hiring Tyler Beermann as the Assistant Golf coach.

Upon motion of Rogotzke, seconded by Grant and unanimously carried to accept the resignation of Principal Greg Ewing and thank him for his years of service.

Upon motion of N Erickson, seconded by T Erickson to approve the amended Rental Fee Plan. Those voting in favor: N Erickson, T Erickson, Grant, Imker, and Kuehl. Voting against: Rogotzke. Absent: Werner. Motion carried.

Upon motion of Rogotzke, seconded by Grant and unanimously carried to approve hiring Samantha Matter as a Pre-Kindergarten Paraprofessional.

Upon motion of Grant, seconded by Imker and unanimously carried to accept the resignation of custodian Randy Tordsen effective February 28, 2025 and thank him for his years of service.

Upon motion of Rogotzke, seconded by Imker and unanimously carried to hire Matt Bera as an evening Custodian.

Open Discussion: Troy Erickson expressed thank you to the Board for the condolences sent to the Erickson family on the death of his father; The Board expressed thank you to the Warren and Maxine Pankonin family for their donation for the CTE building project; No direction was given on future bus purchases; and there is no update from the group interested in purchasing the old building.

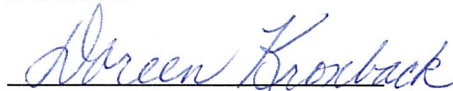
Proposed 2026 – 2027 School Calendar was presented.

Upon motion of Rogotzke, seconded by N Erickson the meeting was adjourned at 7:24p.m.

The next regular monthly meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 19, 2025 in the RRC Media Center at 5:00 p.m.

Official minutes available on the Red Rock Central website.

  
Nate Erickson, Clerk

  
Doreen Kronback, Recorder