

School Board Minutes
Red Rock Central District No. 2884
Wednesday, April 16, 2025

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Education, District No. 2884, was held in the Media Center in Lamberton on Wednesday, April 16, 2025. Members present were: N Erickson, T Erickson, Grant, Imker, Kuehl Rogotzke and Werner. Others in attendance: Superintendent Lee, Principal Ewing, AD Colby Pack, Marcia Therkilsen, Shane Neperman, Tom Neperman, Clayton Hubert, Lynn Pfarr, Shandra Weber, Kristi Werner, Michelle Anderson, and Doreen Kronback.

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Upon motion of Rogotzke, seconded by T Erickson to approve the amended Agenda, the March 19, 2025 minutes and the Treasurer's Report as presented.

Lynn Pfarr presented questions about who is eligible to use the school's Tornado Shelter; Superintendent Lee stated that Sheriff indicated that it is more of a location to house people after a storm; The children in the school have first use during a storm and the shelter is only available when school is in session.

Superintendent Lee Superintendent/PK-4 Principal reported the following: Talked with insurance agent, and EMC would like to drop off the old building on 7/1/2025, that target should be reachable; Bolten and Menk are surveying the auto shop/old school in order to make it a separate parcel at cost of \$2000, should be done by next week; Attempted to receive quotes from four different surveyors, this the lowest cost, and have worked with them before; Once that is done, an attorney will begin the next part of the sale process itself, Could begin to market the sale any time after the auction is completed or before, with days set up for viewing, Do you want to use a realtor? Members on the board when the Jeffers building was sold share the process used; Narrowing down language arts curriculum options, Have set up Zoom meetings and spoken to other districts, Likely Functional Phonics and Wit and Wisdom, have done some pilot programs with each, and teachers really liked them; We are going to be a part of a possible consortium for English Language Learners with at least the following schools and maybe more depending on who signs up: ACGC, Adrian, Edgerton, HBC, KMS, MACCRAY, New Discoveries Montessori, Redwood Area and Tracy Area, No cost, and even though currently we have no qualified EL students, in the event we get any students, the cost is shared among the districts through Title IV dollars, Would not be able to participate again until 2028 if we didn't sign up now, EL funding is very different, If you have one student, it's the same as having 25 in terms of dollars ;An operating levy referendum can be run once per calendar year, In order to hold an August election, the board will have to adopt a formal resolution before the May 14 deadline, After visiting with Kuehl, we did not ask Ehlers and our bond attorney to prepare a resolution; T Erickson asked last month about the percentage of meals served compared to prior years, Kalea is looking into it, We have breakfast and lunch counts from every day, but as a percentage, it's trickier, Student absences and enrollment all factor into trying to get an apples-to-apples comparison; An amendment was adopted adding a cell phone prohibition for all schools, The language prohibits cell phones and smart watches in school for students in grades kindergarten through 8 and prohibits cell phones and smart watches in classrooms for students in grades 9 through 12, Exceptions are authorized for devices necessary for medical use and IEPs, The provision also allows for "other exceptions at the discretion of the school principal." This is effective for the 2026-27 school year; Seems like this is likely to pass; the previous rule last year required districts to have a policy but didn't dictate anything, This takes it a step further and does dictate what is allowed; An RFP process for selecting a food service provider involves a template from MDE, It's a 29-page document., Confirmed that we are not too late, but we do need to act relatively soon; Round two of the auction

finished at \$26,406.67, begins again next Monday; MCA Reading scores unofficially look great so far, Unofficially 64% proficient, last year 55%; Track and field day is May 23rd.

Discussion of the building sale: Develop a detailed description of the property being sold; Set a date for tours of the property; Call for sealed bids with the right to reject any or all bids; Set a Special Meeting date to open the bids with a closing date no later than June 30, 2021;

Superintendent Lee was requested to look into the cost of Food Service Provider.

Principal Ewing presented the following Grade 5 – 12 report: Prom is Saturday, April 26th hoping for good weather. Prom schedule is: 6:15 pm. Pictures, 6:45 pm. Dinner at the Legion, 8:00 pm. Grand March – Auditorium, 8:30 pm. - 11:30 pm. Dance and 11:30 am. - 4:00 am. – Prom Fest; Midterm grades for the 4th Quarter 7th – 12th grades will be posted Thursday, April 24th; Baccalaureate planning is beginning with a meeting of the Ministerium.. The Baccalaureate service is scheduled for Sunday, May 18th at Our Saviors Lutheran Church at 7:00 pm. Preservice Music at 6:30 pm; Graduation planning is moving right along. Graduation is Friday, May 23rd. We need 2 School Board Members to participate in the Graduation this year. The Valedictorian and Salutatorian have been notified of their selection; Honor Banquet is scheduled for Monday, May 19th, beginning with dinner at 6:30 pm. and Program at 7:00 pm at the American Legion; Ms. Karnitz and I are in the beginning stages of Master Schedule planning for next year. Registration numbers were shared with staff yesterday; Shared Pre-ACT Scores, no ACT results yet.

Colby Pack Athletic/Transportation Director reported the following: Hudl sponsor discussion- advertisements revenue would offset cost of Hudl cam; Would make Football/Baseball available for live stream; Football Update, still in Section 2, details of game dates not available yet ; Section Alignment- All stay the same except baseball now 2A; Wrestling in preliminary discussion with Springfield; Pairing meeting with WWG, discussed transportation and specific language for hiring a 5th Track Coach; and Ary Weber qualified for State Speech Contest.

Transportation Report: Samsara vehicle information tracking for pre-trip etc.; Trying to recruit more drivers; Buses are needed, but is it worth it and set up a meeting with Superior Busing and the Transportation Committee.

Upon motion Rogotzke, seconded by N Erickson and unanimously carried to approve all claims in for payment in the amount of \$440,932.32. Final check 33495

Upon motion of N Erickson, seconded by Rogotzke and unanimously carried to approve Sourcewell Insurance as the health insurance carrier in the amount of \$13,212.00 per member.

Upon motion of T Erickson, seconded by Grant to approve the Memoranda of Understanding for Transportation Services with Valley View Manor in the event they have to evacuate.

The Preliminary budget for 2025 - 2026 was reviewed.

Athletic Fees and Chromebook coverage costs waived in the past were discussed; Athletic Fees of area districts were presented, changes in these fees would have to be updated in the Student Handbook and start of school mailers.

Operating Levy election was discussed; Time line for August election date is too short to have community meetings; Board requested Ehlers to come to next meeting to explain options.

Upon motion of Rogotzke, seconded by to approve the resignation of the Physical Education teacher Jake Tauer and thank him for his year with the District. Those voting in favor: Rogotzke, N Erickson, Grant, Werner, T Erickson and Kuehl. Those against: Imker. Motion carried.

Upon motion of T Erickson, seconded by Grant the Board went into closed session to discuss Minn. Stat., 13D.05 at 7:18 p.m.

Upon motion of Rogotzke, seconded by Grant the Board came out of closed session at 7:42p.m.

Open discussion: The parking lot, Football concessions, and mobile classroom being used as a storage unit.

Upon motion of N Erickson, seconded by Grant the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

The next regular monthly meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 21, 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