

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF RIB LAKE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, October 8, 2020
Rib Lake Middle School IMC

Board Vice President Tlusty called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Thums, Scheller, Mohr, Tlusty, Dananay, Treffinger. Absent: Martin.

Thums made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 10, 2020 regular meeting and September 28, 2020, special meeting seconded by Scheller. Motion carried with a 6-0 voice vote.

Mohr made a motion to pay October bills in the amount of \$203,344.50 seconded by Dananay. Motion carried with a roll call vote Scheller, Mohr, Tlusty, Dananay, Thums, Treffinger.

Citizen's Input- None

Administrator's Report – Discussion/Possible Action with Respect to:

- A. Taylor County Educator of the Month - Administrator Cardey indicated that Steve Blomberg was chosen for Taylor County's Educator of the Month.
- B. School Board Appreciation Week - Administrator Cardey thanked the school board members for their service to the Rib Lake School District.
- C. Instructional Delivery Update - Aimee Blomberg reported for the elementary school, technology was sent home with students, staff worked hard getting families acquainted with SeeSaw and apps. Staff is learning along the way and we will review what went well and what we can do better. Principal Budimlja indicated that staff and students are doing well, while in virtual learning staff were more prepared and organized, content and instruction have moved along. Staff will assign materials in the morning and we will work to give parents access to google. Administrator Cardey indicated that we had a trial run moving all students to virtual, we can see what went well and how we can improve, we also know what we need to work with students on in case we need to move to virtual again.
- D. Face Covering Extension - Dananay made a motion to put in place a local face mask mandate and revisit at the school boards monthly meeting, seconded by Scheller. Motion carried with a 3-2 voice vote.
- E. Facility Check Out by the Public - Administrator Cardey indicated that outside groups and the booster club want to use our gym and facilities. The board decided that we will spray after each use. Administration should consider each request and use judgement when allowing gym usage.
- F. Fall Sports - Mr. Wudi updated the board on fall sports. After discussion, high school coaches and players want to continue the season and the board supported this decision. Mr. Wudi was asked to discuss with middle school coaches and look at options for spring games or tournaments. Mr. Wudi reported that 53 of 105 middle school students are in a sport, 23 middle school students are on the flag football team, and there are 20 volleyball players. At the high school, we have 51 of 127 students participating in a sport, 25 of the 33 football players are from Rib Lake. Over the last few weeks, high school volleyball and football teams have lost the ability to play in games and cross country has missed out on two meets. All practices and games are suspended at this time. There are no certainties when it comes to COVID and athletics. Many schools are going through the same thing we are right now. For high school, WIAA has a spring option, but not for middle school, volleyball would have to travel long distances and how practical would that be on a weeknight. For football, not sure who has formally declared a spring option, we are seeing that in the southern large school districts, not in the central northern area. We have 1 week of volleyball games scheduled and 4 weeks of football practices and games. We coop with Prentice for football and cross country, they are willing to resume coop and move forward.

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- G. Superintendent Search - Administrator Cardey indicated that there were six applicants for the superintendent position, and three of them will be interviewed on Tuesday, October 13, 2020 by the board and a community member group.
- H. District Enrollment Update - Administrator Cardey reviewed district enrollment numbers, our 3rd Friday count was 485 FTE.
- I. Date for Board Approval of Tax Levy - The board members picked Monday, October 26, 2020 at 6:00 pm to approve the tax levy.
- J. 2020-21 Hall of Fame Induction - Administrator Cardey indicated that it is uncertain if we can hold any large group gathering this school year and it is important for the students to be able to honor and learn from the inductee. It is recommended that we hold off on a 2020-21 Hall of Fame induction and consider two inductees in the 2021-22 school year.
- K. Technology/New Website - Gayle Perrin reviewed the 2020-21 technology goals which included replacing 120 chromebooks, 13 staff computers, and content filtering system, we will plan to replace 5 staff laptops and 5 classroom prometheans. Goals for 2021-22 are to replace a switch at the high school at a cost of \$15,000, replace 20 iPads at a cost of \$6,000, upgrade the fiber from the high school to the elementary school at a cost around \$20,000 and replace 90 chromebooks at a cost of \$18,000. The website was upgraded and there are new pages and photos to view.

Review of Correspondence - None

Principal/Staff Reports

- a. ELE/HS/MS - Principal Budimlija reported that they are holding a virtual homestaying and a virtual pep rally on Friday. Parent Teacher conferences are on Thursday and practice ACT testing is Thursday. Aimee Blomberg reported for the elementary school, at the next inservice, they will discuss virtual learning and what went well and what can be done better, and standards based grading, assessments are finishing up and they are setting educational goals, picture day has been rescheduled for later this month.
- b. Special Education - No update at this time.
- c. Facilities and Maintenance - Administrator Cardey reported that Kulp's is finishing up the roof at the elementary school, concrete will be poured in the high below grade storage area. The district expects the installation of the drainage system off the elementary school music room. We will get information on trade in options for our 2008 Kubota lawn mower due to high repair costs.

New Business: Discussion/Possible Action with Respect to:

- a. Personnel Contracts:
 - i. Hires - None at this time.
 - ii. Resignations - Dananay made a motion to accept the resignation of Jessica Boston, Guidance Counselor, seconded by Mohr. Motion carried with a 6-0 voice vote. Thums made a motion to accept the resignation of Jon Lanius, Elementary Custodian, seconded by Dananay. Motion carried with a 6-0 voice vote. Dananay made a motion to accept the resignation of John Adams, Middle School Basketball Coach, seconded by Scheller. Motion carried with a 6-0 voice vote.
- b. Resolution Authorizing Temporary Borrowing in an Amount Not to Exceed \$1,000,000 Pursuant to Section 67.12(8)(A)1, Wis. Stats - Mohr made a motion to approve the Resolution Authorizing Temporary Borrowing in an Amount Not to Exceed \$1,000,000 Pursuant to

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Section 67.12(8)(A)1, Wis. Stats, seconded by Thums. Motion carried with a roll call vote
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- c. Early College Credit Applications for Spring 2021 - Principal Budimlija indicated that there are 9 applications for college credits at Northcentral Technical College. Thums made a motion to approve the 9 applications, seconded by Dananay. Motion carried with a 6-0 voice vote.

Dananay made a motion to go into closed session in accordance with WI Statute 19.85.1 (g). for the following items at 8:00 p.m., seconded by Scheller. Motion carried with a 6-0 roll call vote (Thums, Scheller, Mohr, Tlusty, Dananay, Treffenger).

- a. Transportation - Legal Issue
- b. Superintendent Search and Contract

Movement into Open Session Taking Action as Necessary on Items Discussed in Closed Session
Dananay made a motion to return to open session at 8:44 p.m., seconded by Scheller. Motion carried with a 6-0 voice vote.

Thums made a motion to adjourn at 8:45 p.m., seconded by Scheller. Motion carried with a 6-0 voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,



JoAnne Peterson
Recording Secretary



Jackie Mohr
Board Clerk