

APPROVED MINUTES OF THE RICHLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT-BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING AT COLFAX, ND-WEDNESDAY, November 13, 2013 at 7:00PM

MEMBERS

PRESENT

Daniel Haverland Mike Freeberg
Jeff Bolme John Flaa
Lisa Amundson Ken Knudsen

ABSENT

Kurt Anderson

Superintendent: Les Dale

Principals: Cindy Erbes, Bruce Anderson

Business Manager: Kendra Dockter

Also Present: Karen Anderson, Jenna Anderson, Harry & Monica Clark, Tony Boehm, Michael Herrick

The November meeting was called to order. Bolme asked for additions to the agenda.

Tony Boehm and Jenna Anderson gave a quick presentation from the Richland #44 FFA Chapter. They were recently recognized at National FFA convention for placing first in the Nation in Models of Innovation. Richland #44 FFA chapter was named in the top 10 in two categories out of roughly 7,570 chapters. Taking 1st place in the Community Service area of Models of Innovation! Congratulations FFA members and to their advisor Tony Boehm.

Construction Update: The east addition is going well. Ready for steel to arrive and set walls. Gym portion of the project is a little behind due to more ground water issues under the current building. They are hoping to have concrete slabs poured by end of the week with gym walls to be set the first part of January.

October board minutes were read. Motion by Knudsen, seconded by Amundson to approve the minutes as presented.

New Business: Superintendent Evaluation was handed out to board and is due back to President Bolme by November 28th. Letter from Emmanuel Lutheran Church council was read on concerns with school board meetings being held on Wednesday nights which should be set aside as a church night. Discussion held. For now, meetings will continue to be held on Wednesday nights due to the fact that this night works best for school board members. A request was received from the City of Colfax to approve an amended plat of Gylland Subdivision and reinstate a vacated portion of Linden Avenue. No other specific details or explanations were included. The board will ask for clarification and answers from the City of Colfax before any approvals are made. Item tabled until next board meeting. Athletic Director pay was discussed. The board negotiating committee explained that they are looking at changing AD pay based on the new, updated job description in place. Negotiating committee will meet and bring recommendation to board.

Athletic Director Report: Recommendation by Bruce Anderson to hire Mike Herrick as the assistant girls basketball coach for the 2013-2014 school year. Motion by Amundson, seconded by Freeberg to approved the recommendation. Carried. Herrick reported that FSHP has moved out of district II. Brief discussion on possibility of changing structure of district and regional tournaments and replacing with a Super-Regional tournament instead. Currently this set up is used in the western part of North Dakota. Update on fixing current track around football field. A fall sports survey was sent out to all athletes and parents. This will again be sent after winter sports and spring sports. Discussion held on Richland #44 mascot logo. Many are being used at this point.

Principal's Report: **Elementary:** STARS and CTBS testing have been completed. Thank you to Kris Hasbargen and the "Pay it Forward" program through Bell State Bank for a \$1000 donation to the Richland Elementary School!! Elementary Christmas program will be December 12 in Colfax. On December 13th the 4th-6th graders will be participating in a "Reading Fair" at the elementary school. They will share their favorite fictional book through a storyboard display. 100% participation was noted from Parent Teacher conferences held this fall! Discussion held on new state testing requirements for 2015. **Jr/Sr High:** Anderson reported a 73% attendance at the Jr/Sr high level for parent-teacher conferences. The high school hosted a STEM day on November 8th. Two more days will be set aside this school year for STEM activities. "Wizard of Oz" the musical will be performed November 22-24. Jr/Sr High Christmas concert will be December 3rd at 7pm.

Business Manager Report: Discussion held on new medication distribution policy recommended by state to follow new state regulations. **Motion** to adopt the Resolution relating to the issuance of bonds and the reimbursement of

certain expenditures (att.) was made by Freeberg, seconded by Amundson. Roll Call vote, carried unanimously. The June 30, 2013 audit was reviewed. Board will look over for approval next month.

Superintendent Report: Looking at possibly installing video surveillance cameras in the school buses. School Board retreat will again be scheduled this winter to allow board to meet on issues of concern and look at the future of Richland #44.

November Bills: Motion by Flaa, seconded by Knudsen to approve the November bills. Carried

October Budget: Motion by Knudsen, second by Freeberg to approve the October Budget. Carried

Motion by Flaa, second by Freeberg to adjourn the November meeting.

Next Meeting will be Wednesday, December 11 at 7pm

Business Manager

Board President