

APPROVED MINUTES OF THE RICHLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT-BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING AT COLFAX, ND-Wednesday, September 10, 2014 at 7:00PM

MEMBERS

PRESENT

Lisa Amundson John Flaa
Dan Haverland Eric Mickelson
Sarah Myers Ken Knudsen

ABSENT

Kurt Anderson

Superintendent: Les Dale Principals: Cindy Erbes, Bruce Anderson
Business Manager: Kendra Dockter
Also Present: Jody Lingen, Tom Wulfekuhle, Scott Gauslow, Steve Moen

The September meeting was called to order. Amundson asked for additions to the agenda. Item to discuss access approach to football field was added under new business. Motion by Flaa, second by Myers to approve the amended agenda. Carried. Motion by Knudsen, seconded by Flaa to approve the consent agenda items (August board minutes, September Bills, and August budget). Carried

Further discussion was held with Colfax City Council members regarding the requested road access west of the new gymnasium. Steve Moen asked to have access road placed along fence line going north to Linden Ave. Discussion on true access road or a road open to thru traffic was held. Board is concerned about thru traffic. City states it would be used as access if Grant Street was blocked or an emergency vehicle needed to get thru. City would pay for signs or speed bumps and maintain the road. Discussion on location and how that would affect usage. No decision made. Legal issues will be looked into. Board also mentioned connecting our sidewalk to the existing sidewalk on the east of building Plans will be reviewed with city once more details are ready. Motion by Flaa, second by Haverland to send items to property committee. Carried

Zero Increased Number of mills hearing will be held October 8, 2014 at 7pm.

Maternity leave request was presented from Jennifer Kath from about October 26 thru Christmas break. Motion by Mickelson, second by Flaa to approve as presented. *Knudsen Y, Myers Y, Mickelson Y, Haverland Y, Amundson Y, Flaa Y.* Carried.

The Colfax Fire Department requested an approach be put in off of County Road 4 to the football field. This would be an approach with an culvert. A gate would need to be placed in the fence, to have direct access from the county road to the football field for emergency access. Fire department would expect school to pay for this request. Motion by Knudsen, second by Flaa to designate the property committee to discuss the request. Board does not feel Mickelson being on the committee would have conflict of interest. Carried.

Principal Reports: **Erbes:** Thank you to various places for the following donations: Abercrombie Fire and Rescue, \$500 for refurbishing of bell; St. Thomas Church in Kent, for donation of school supplies for students in need; Zion Methodist Church, for 2 \$500 preschool scholarships; Walmart, \$200 for mulch to place around new trees; Cargill, \$200 to sponsor Coffee with Kids. Richland Elementary will hold a Veteran's Day program again this year on November 12. **Anderson:** ACT score summary was reviewed over last 5 years. Thank you to the parents who have helped get the football field ready for the season.

Superintendent Report: Discussion on ballot item for school starting after Labor Day. Reminder that this would mean losing local control. At this time, schools can make the decision; this measure would take that away. Example shared of Labor Day falling on September 7. School would then be starting almost 3 weeks later, which means going to school into June to get in the required 175 contact days. School board convention will be held October 23-24 in Bismarck. Richland #44 is now accepting bids for the removal of snow this winter. Bids are due October 30. Due to AD also being head basketball coach, boys basketball coach will be evaluated by superintendent. Super Regional tournaments will start for the 2015-2016 school year and will eliminate the district tournament set up. Herrick is looking at implementing a volleyball program at the elementary school that coincides with area schools. More information will be presented at a later meeting.

Next Meeting will be Wednesday, October 8 with Zero Increase Mill meeting at 7pm
Motion by Flaa, second by Myers to adjourn the meeting

Business Manager

Board President