

RIVER BEND EDUCATION DISTRICT

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UNOFFICIAL BOARD MINUTES

March 22, 2016

Members present: Remus, Weikle, Ringhofer, Peterson, Kirchner, Weber, Trapero, Roufs
Members absent: None
Others present: Doug Hazen, Jennifer Rose, Linda Beck, Chris Bodick, Mary Olson

Chairperson Remus called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Motion by Peterson, second by Trapero to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Kirchner, second by Ringhofer to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

Weber arrived at 6:07 p.m.

Motion by Trapero, second by Weikle to approve the wire payments and check registers dated February 9, 2016 through March 18, 2016 totaling \$343,625.73. Motion carried 8-0.

Motion by Weikle, second by Roufs to establish a line of credit with United Prairie Bank in the amount of \$200,000. The Board authorizes Director Doug Hazen and/or Business Manager Jennifer Rose, to utilize funds from the said Line of Credit as needed for the efficient operation of the Education District. The Board authorizes Business Manager Rose to sign the documents to secure the line of credit. Motion carried 8-0.

Director Hazen provided information on River Bend programs and services.

Personnel

Motion by Weikle, second by Weber to accept, with regrets, the resignations of Mary Jo Boehning, Physical/Other Health Disabilities Consultant and Kristi Andersen-Loose, ALC Teacher. Motion carried 8-0.

Motion by Ringhofer, second by Kirchner to hire a full-time Special Education Teacher and full-time Special Education Paraprofessional for the Imprints Program. Motion carried 8-0.

Motion by Ringhofer, second by Kirchner to hire a full-time Special Education Teacher and two Special Education Paraprofessionals for the W.O.R.K. Program. Motion carried 8-0.

Motion by Ringhofer, second by Kirchner to hire a full-time Speech Therapist for RBED. Motion carried 8-0.

Motion by Ringhofer, second by Kirchner to hire a full-time special education Physical/Other Health Disabilities Consultant, TBI Specialist, AT Specialist for RBED. Motion carried 8-0.

Motion by Peterson, second by Roufs to hire two full-time Special Education Coordinators for RBED. Motion carried 8-0.

Motion by Weikle, second by Trapero to pay the non-administrative employees \$100 each year for their service on the PLC committees during the 2015-16 and/or 2016-17 school years, provided they miss no more than two meetings in a single school year. Motion carried 8-0.

Motion by Peterson, second by Ringhofer to allow Director Hazen to post open positions as they occur with Board action taking place at the next Board meeting. Motion carried 8-0.

Motion by Peterson, second by Trapero to approve the updated/new job descriptions for Teacher of the Physically Impaired, Educational Speech/Language Pathologist, Transition Teacher - W.O.R.K. Program, Educational Assistant - W.O.R.K. Program, Teacher - River Bend Area Learning Center, and Special Education Coordinator. Motion carried 8-0.

Motion by Weikle, second by Weber to enter into a one-year lease agreement with New Ulm Associates to lease 2,000 square feet in the Hy-Vee Complex, 2015 South Broadway, New Ulm for the W.O.R.K. Program for fiscal year 2016-17 upon visual inspection of the property by Education District Director Doug Hazen. The lease will begin on July 1, 2016 and end on June 30, 2017 unless renewed. The lease rate will be \$7.00 per square foot, which includes common area maintenance. The annual lease rate will be \$14,000. Director Hazen is hereby authorized to execute the lease agreement on behalf of River Bend Education District. Motion carried 8-0.

The next regular meeting of the River Bend Education District Board is scheduled for April 26, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

Linda Beck
Administrative Secretary