

Melrose-Mindoro School District
Board of Education
Regular Meeting Agenda
Monday, July 25, 2022, 7:00 p.m.
JH/SH Cafeteria

- Call Meeting to Order
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Minutes of Previous Meeting
- Correspondence
- District Administrator’s Report
- Open Forum
- Finance
 - Review Expenditures and Receipts through June
 - Approve Necessary Budget Changes
 - Act on Check Summary and Vouchers
 - Cash Flow Report
 - Activity Account Review
- Discuss Moving towards Paperless Board Reports
- Review 2021-2022 Budget
- Update 2022-2023 Budget
- Consider Professional, Support Staff & Coaching/Advisory Resignations
- Consider Hiring Professional, Support Staff & Coaching/Advisory Positions
- Consider JH/SH Student Handbook Changes
- Consider 2022-2023 Academic Standards
- Consider Busing Open Enrolled Students from Sparta School District
- Consider Participating in a Pilot Program to Improve School Attendance
- Consider Request for Unpaid Personal Leave
- Adjourn to Executive Session per WI Statute 19.85 1(c)-Consider Employment, Promotion, Compensation or Evaluation of Personnel
- Reconvene to Open Session
- Consider Changes to Principals Personal Leave Allowance
- Adjourn

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STATE OF WISCONSIN,
CIRCUIT COURT, JACKSON COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
DORIS L. WENSEL (AKA DORIS WENSEL)
DOD: 04/25/2022

Notice to Creditors
(Informal Administration)
Case No. 22PR27

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

1. An application for informal administration was filed.

2. The decedent, with date of birth 05/26/1930 and date of death 04/25/2022, was domiciled in Jackson County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of N4267 County Road H, Black River Falls, WI 54615.

3. All interested persons have waived notice.

4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent’s estate is October 13, 2022.

5. A claim may be filed at the Jackson County Courthouse, 307 Main St., Black River Falls, Wisconsin.

Elizabeth E. Storlie
Probate Registrar
July 7, 2022

Benjamin D. Ludeman
Weld Riley SC
PO Box 1030
Eau Claire, WI 54702-1030
715-839-7786
Bar Number: 1101314
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Minutes of the special meeting of the Board of Education of the School District of Black River Falls on Monday, June 27, 2022.

School Board President, Brad Dobbs, called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board Members Present: Tom Epps, Nick Helstad, Ann Dehmer, Mary Jo Radcliffe, Mary Jo Rozmenoski, Brad Dobbs

Board Members Absent: Troy Webb

Thirteen community members registered and spoke during the public comment section of the meeting.

Mary Jo Radcliffe moved to relocate agenda item 7. Board Approved Communication – Gender Support Plan to occur immediately after the Public Comment section of the meeting. Ann Dehmer seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Mary Jo Rozmenoski moved to approve the Gender Support Plan as presented. Mary Jo Radcliffe seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and passed 5-1 (Yes votes – Tom Epps, Ann Dehmer, Mary Jo Radcliffe, Mary Jo Rozmenoski, Brad Dobbs. No votes – Nick Helstad).

Mary Jo Radcliffe moved to approve the 2022-2023 Preliminary Budget as presented by Jill Collins. Brad Dobbs seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Ann Dehmer moved to approve the closing of a CD at Black River Country Bank. Tom Epps seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Dr. Severson and the Board discussed the core agenda and alignment with the proposed additional meetings. The Board agreed on the 2022-2023 meeting schedule.

Mary Jo Rozmenoski moved to approve the meeting minutes from May 16, 2022 once they’re corrected by listing Paul Fisher as the CESA 4 Administrator. Mary Jo Radcliffe seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Dr. Severson’s District Administrator’s report included:

- Rachel Gamroth has been chosen as Red Creek Elementary Schools new Assistant Principal.

At 7:12 p.m. Brad Dobbs moved to adjourn. Tom Epps seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Mary Jo Radcliffe, Board Secretary Marti Herzberg and Dr. Severson, Recorders Published in the Banner Journal July 20, 2022

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Official Notice to Contractors

The Village of Taylor will receive sealed bids for the mowing of the following locations up until **3:00 p.m. Friday, Aug 5, 2022**, at the Village Office, 420 Second Street, Taylor, Wisconsin 54659, at which time and place all bids will be publicly

opened and read aloud.

The work includes, but is not limited to the following:
Mowing the entire area around the ponds and the village dump.

The Village of Taylor reserves the right to waive any informality or to reject any or all bids. No bidder may withdraw their bid within 30 days after the actual date of opening thereof.

Each bid shall be accompanied by proof of liability insurance.

Date: July 12, 2022

Signed: Adam Bush D.P.W.
Village of Taylor

P.S. Any further questions, call 715-797-1746

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Notice of Public Hearing

Village of Taylor

NOTICE IS GIVEN TO ALL PERSONS in the Village of Taylor that a public hearing will be held on August 8, 2022 at 5:00 P.M. at the Village of Taylor Municipal office 420 2nd Street, to hear public comment for the recommendation to approve amending Title 13, Chapter 1 Zoning Code and corresponding official Zoning map for the Village of Taylor.

Village of Taylor Board of Trustees,
Joe Kniseley, Village President

Dated at Taylor, WI, this 12th day of July, 2022.

Wendy Bue
Village Clerk-Treasurer

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TOWN OF FRANKLIN, JACKSON COUNTY
August 9, 2022 Primary Election
VOTING BY ABSENTEE BALLOT

Any qualified elector who is unable or unwilling to appear at the polling place on Election Day may submit a request to vote an absentee ballot to their municipal clerk. A qualified elector is any U.S. citizen who:

- will be 18 years of age or older on Election Day.
- has resided in the ward or municipality where they wish to vote for at least 28 consecutive days before the election.

The elector must also be registered to vote to receive an absentee ballot. Proof of identification must be provided before an absentee ballot may be issued*.

Making application to receive an absentee ballot by mail

Contact your municipal clerk and request that an application for an absentee ballot be sent to you for the primary or election or both. You may make written application to your municipal clerk for an absentee ballot in person, by mail, by fax, by email or at MyVote.wi.gov.

Your written request must include:

1. your voting address within the municipality where you wish to vote
2. the address where the absentee ballot should be sent, if different from the address above
3. your signature
4. a copy of your photo identification*

The deadline for making application to receive an absentee ballot by mail is:
5:00 p.m. on the fifth day before the election, Thursday, August 4, 2022.

*Voters who are indefinitely confined due to age, illness, infirmity, or disability may not be required to provide photo ID. If this applies to you, contact the municipal clerk regarding deadlines for requesting and submitting an absentee ballot.

**Special absentee voting application provisions apply to electors who are indefinitely confined, in the military, hospitalized, or serving as a sequestered juror. If this applies to you, contact the municipal clerk regarding deadlines for requesting and submitting an absentee ballot.

Voting an absentee ballot in person

You may also request and vote an absentee ballot in the clerk’s office or other specified location during the days and hours specified for casting an absentee ballot in person.

Bree Lien, (608) 864-3004
W16177 County Road C, Taylor, WI 54659
July 13, 2022 from 6:30 – 8:00 PM
or by appointment for other date/time

The first day to vote an absentee ballot in the clerk’s office is:
Wednesday, July 6, 2022

The last day to vote an absentee ballot in the clerk’s office is:
Sunday, August 7, 2022

No in-person absentee voting may occur on the day before the election. The municipal clerk will deliver voted ballots returned on or before Election Day to the proper polling place or counting location before the polls close on August 9, 2022. Any ballots received after the polls close will not be counted.

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BILLION\$ every year.

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Call 1-800-488-2596, ext. 317

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Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Education of the School District of Black River Falls on Monday, June 13, 2022, in the District Office Board Room.

School Board President, Brad Dobbs, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board Members Present: Tom Epps, Troy Webb, Nick Helstad, Ann Dehmer, Brad Dobbs.

Mary Jo Rozmenoski attended via Zoom but did not vote on action items. Board Members Absent: Mary Jo Radcliffe

Brad Dobbs confirmed the public hearing notice with Marti Herzberg.

Tom Epps made a motion to move agenda items 5.5 Public Comment to after agenda item 5.3. Trade-mark of SDBRF Logo, and agenda items 5.4 Policy 165 Board Code of Ethics – Board Norms Exhibit, 7.2 Board Approved Communication – Gender Support Plan and 8.4 Auditor Engagement to after agenda item 5.5 Public Comment. Ann Dehmer seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Dr. Severson recognized Julie Murray from the Black River Falls Area Foundation. Julie was unable to attend the meeting to personally receive the Board Commendation, but Dr. Severson wanted to thank her for the advocacy she does in helping to create scholarships, grow scholarship amounts, and to ensure all students that want to go on to post secondary education have that opportunity!

Dr. Sullivan and Brandon Jahr spoke about the 21st Century Community Learning Center Grant the District has received from DPI. This grant will be used to fund the BLAST Program and will consist of \$130,000.00 each year for five years. Ann Dehmer

moved to approve the acceptance of this grant. Nick Helstad seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Troy Webb moved to not pursue trademarking the District's logo. Tom Epps seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Nine community members registered and spoke during the public comment section of the meeting.

Tom Epps moved to approve Policy 165 Board Code of Ethics and Board Norms Exhibit as presented. Ann Dehmer seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-1 (Yes votes – Tom Epps, Nick Helstad, Ann Dehmer, Brad Dobbs. No votes – Troy Webb).

Troy Webb moved to table agenda item 7.2 Board Approved Communication-Gender Support Plan until the next regular board meeting. After some discussion, Troy amended the motion to table the subject until the next special meeting on June 27, 2022. Ann Dehmer seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Jill Collins shared the auditor engagement information. Troy Webb moved to approve the information as presented. Tom Epps seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Dr. Severson reviewed the Middle School procedure complaint that was received. Nick Helstad moved to allow teachers to bring their children to work with them if the children do not need outside supervision prior to the school day starting. Brad Dobbs seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Luke Madsen and Kim Penza shared some of this year's senior class accomplishments.

Troy Webb moved to approve the employment recommendations as presented. Tom Epps seconded the motion. Mo-

tion carried 5-0.

Dr. Severson explained that the District had intended to change health insurance vendors from Security Health Plan to WEA Trust as of July 1, 2022. She was recently notified that WEA will be closing their doors on December 31, 2022. Therefore, the District will remain with Security Health Plan with an increase in premiums. Tom Epps approved the District to continue with Security Health Plan. Ann Dehmer seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Melanie Floyd, Laura Simonson and Dan Nortman presented the end of the year achievement data. We were able to celebrate growth in all grade levels in both ELA and Math.

Dr. Sullivan presented Standards Based Education information.

Tom Epps approved the monthly expenditures as presented. Troy Webb seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Facility update documents were included in the board packet.

Dr. Severson summarized the capital maintenance revisions. Troy Webb moved to approve the revisions as presented. Brad Dobbs seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

After Jill Collins' review, Brad Dobbs moved to approve the resolution authorizing the transfer of funds, the establishment of an escrow account with respect to and the defeasance of certain of the general obligation school building and improvement bonds, dated March 9, 2021. Troy Webb seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0.

The Board Members completed the first reading of policies 533 Professional Staff Recruiting/Hiring, 538 Professional Staff Evaluation, 543 Support Staff Re-

cruiting/Hiring, 720 School Safety Plan.

Dr. Severson and Jill Collins presented the Lunda Theater lighting update. A grant application will be submitted to the Lunda Charitable Trust to assist with the cost of the project. Since GSL made an error in the original calculation of the bid, the Board asked that Jill Collins try to negotiate a compromise on the final bid. Troy Webb moved to approve the bid with the understanding that Jill will speak with GSL on the final quote. Brad Dobbs seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

There were no meeting minutes to approve.

Dr. Severson's District Administrator's Report included:

- Information on the PBIS News Hour series – Rural Voices
- Information on the Community Eligibility Provision which would allow for free breakfast for Pre-K through 12th grade and free lunch for Pre-K through 5th grade.

Mary Jo Rozmenoski reported that the WASB

Board has chosen to leave NSBA.

Tom Epps reported that he attended the CESA Annual Conference.

The Board Members attended the graduation ceremony. Brad Dobbs has been working with Brad Markhardt on the new beehives.

Future Agenda Items – Brad Dobbs would like to see what the parent side of the standards based grading monitoring will look like. Luke Madsen and Dr. Sullivan will share this at the August meeting. Dr. Severson will share extra meeting topic ideas.

At 8:50 p.m. Brad Dobbs moved to adjourn. Troy Webb seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Mary Jo Radcliffe, Clerk
Marti Herzberg, Recording Secretary
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Public Notice
Aptiv, Inc. hereby provides notice that it intends to apply to the Wisconsin Department of Transportation

for the following transportation projects under Section 5310 to serve seniors and individuals with disabilities in Jackson, La Crosse, Rock, and Walworth counties:

Four Bariatric Van Side Load Lift vehicles with seating for up to seven ambulatory passengers and two wheelchair spaces; and one Minivan with Rear Load Ramp with seating for three ambulatory passengers and two wheelchair spaces.

Individuals or agencies wishing to comment or receive additional information about this application should contact Andy Parrish at Aptiv, Inc., 3000 South Avenue, La Crosse, WI 54601, phone (608) 785-3584, or email andy.parrish@aptiv.org.

Formal comments or requests for additional information must be received in writing or by email by August 30, 2022.

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Notice of Rate Increase
Water Customers of the Merrilan Municipal Electric and Water Utility

This is to give you notice that the Merrilan Municipal Electric and Water Utility will file an application on July 21, 2022, with the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin (PSC), for authority to increase water rates. Rates for general service will increase 4.5 percent. The increase is necessary to reduce the existing deficiency in present rates. The request is being made under Wis. Stat. 196.193. Rate increases granted under this statute do not require a public hearing. The effect of the increase for some selected customers is shown below. Public Fire Protection and Wholesale rates (if applicable) will also increase 4.5 percent.

Customer Classification	Meter Size	Gallons	Existing Monthly Rate	Revised Monthly Rate
Average Residential	3/4	4,000	\$50.64	\$52.92
Large Residential	3/4	6,200	\$70.70	\$73.89
Multifamily	2	30,500	\$287.26	\$300.15
Commercial	1	19,300	\$171.54	\$179.24
Public Authority	1 1/2	51,700	\$414.62	\$433.21

Merrilan Municipal Electric and Water Utility anticipates that this rate increase will go into effect on September 20, 2022. If you have any questions about the rate increase request, call the Merrilan Municipal Electric and Water Utility at (715) 333-2332