

River Valley Board of Education
RIVER VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT
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Work Session – RV Middle/High School Library
Monday, October 3, 2016 @ 7:00 p.m.

Minutes

Members Present: Phillip Bender, Michael Ehlert, J.C. German, Fred Knutel, John Pawlik, Vickie Wagner, David Whitlow

Members Absent: None

Administrators Present: Superintendent William Kearney

1.0 Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Pawlik.

2.0 Pledge of Allegiance

President Pawlik led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3.0 CONSENT AGENDA

3.1 Approval of Agenda as Presented

Approved the agenda for the October 3, 2016 Board work session.

3.2 Approve Regular Meeting Minutes of September 26, 2016

Approved regular meeting minutes.

Moved by German, supported by Bender, to approve the consent agenda for October 3, 2016 Board work session as presented. All Ayes. Motion carried.

4.0 Hearing of Persons Present

No public comment was offered.

5.0 Items for Board Discussion

5.1 Roles and Responsibilities

Handouts that included the Strategic Plan Summary, Eight Traits of Effective School Boards, Board's and Superintendent's Roles/Responsibilities, PowerPoint slides from previous MASB workshops, the Superintendent's Ten Commandments and the Governance Team's 10 Suggestions were reviewed and discussed in detail.

5.2 Board Operating Procedures

The Board Operating Procedures that were adopted in April 2013 were reviewed. There were no suggestions for revisions. There will be an action at the October regular Board meeting to continue to follow the Board Operating Procedures.

5.3 Procedures and Protocols

There was discussion about the number of Board/Superintendent workshops that should take place each year. There was consensus to hold a minimum of two workshops each year. It was suggested that MASB should facilitate a workshop when there are new Board members or when issues arise within the Governance Team. There was discussion about Board member participation in the interview process for key positions. There was consensus not to have Board member participation at the present time but to revisit this in the future. There was also discussion about purchasing policies/procedures. There

was consensus that purchases that meet or exceed the State competitive bid threshold should be brought to the Board for approval.

5.4 Other

No other items were brought up for discussion.

6.0 Adjournment

Motion by German, supported by Knutel, to adjourn the work session for October 3, 2016 at 9:06 p.m. All Ayes. Motion carried.

David Whitlow, Secretary
River Valley Board of Education

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