

## COOPERATIVE EDUCATIONAL SERVICE AGENCY #4

The Board of Control met on Wednesday, October 7, 2015 at Blair-Taylor School District, Blair, Wisconsin. The Board toured the Blair-Taylor facilities following the meal prepared by the Blair-Taylor Food Service Department. Chairman Dave Amundson called the meeting to order at 7:55 p.m.

Board Members Present: Dave Amundson, Kevin Bauman, Ken French, Jane Halverson, Dennis Havlik, Julie Meyers, Peggy Pasker, Jo Ressie, Dave Smikrud, and Jim Wright.

Excused: Mary Jo Rozmenoski

Also present: Cheryl Gullicksrud, Wayde Pollock, and Michelle Kotek

### APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA

Ken French moved to approve the revised agenda with the addition of 7.e., Review and approval of the segregation of duties procedure for the accounting department. Jane Halverson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### PUBLIC INPUT

None

### READING AND APPROVAL OF BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Ken French moved to approve the meeting minutes of the September 2, 2015 meeting. Jo Ressie seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### APPROVE VOUCHERS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER

Ken French moved to approve the vouchers and financial statement for the month of September. Dave Smikrud seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### NEW BUSINESS

#### **Agency Administrator's Report to the Board**

##### Board Opportunities

- Fall Regional Meeting on October 21 at Cochrane-Fountain City School District
- WIRSA Conference in Stevens Point on November 11 and 12
- WASB Workshops – Employment and School Law – October 15 and 16 in Madison and Legislative Advocacy is November 7 in Stevens Point

##### CESA #4 Activities

- Board Outreach on September 24 – 30 people attended
- Staffing – using substitute van drivers to cover medical leave of employee
- CESA #4 is serving as the host site for the October DPI Working on the Work- Educator Effectiveness sessions
- Sound system in Heritage Room has been repaired
- Steve Glandt from Coulee Region United Educators will be the featured speaker at next week's Professional Advisory Council meeting for superintendents

##### CESA #4 School District Updates

- Remodel of the Black River Falls High School is completed

- Roger King, Holmen High School Agriscience teacher has been selected as WI National Teacher of the Year Representative
- Onalaska High School has been recognized as one of 355 schools in the 2015 National Blue Ribbon Schools Program based on overall academic excellence or progress in closing achievement gaps
- Norwalk-Ontario-Wilton Elementary and Lawrence-Lawson Elementary in Sparta recognized as 2015-16 WI Spotlight schools for their success in improving student achievement
- Melrose Elementary and Black River Falls High School are highlighted by DPI as having representatives on the DPI Parent Advisory Council and for their successful strategies used in their respective districts to facilitate family engagement
- Linzi Gronning, De Soto Middle/High School principal, is serving as their interim superintendent

Ken French moved to approve the Agency Administrator's report. Jo Ressie seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### **2015 – 16 Grant Projects**

A handout was distributed to board members on the 26 different grant/intergovernmental agreements that CESA #4 has secured for the 2015-16 school year.

### **Wisconsin Rural Schools Alliance Activities**

The focus of the annual conference is "Rural Schools on the Move through Innovation and Collaboration." The conference will be held on November 11 and 12 at the Holiday Inn in Stevens Point. Register through the CESA #5 office.

### **Wisconsin Taxpayers Alliance**

Covered highlights from "*The Story of School Finance*" brochure

### **Review and approve the segregation of duties procedure for the accounting department**

Ken French moved to approve the procedure. Jane Halverson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### **BOARD OF CONTROL MEMBER INPUT/CRACKER BARREL**

The Board thanked Dave Smikrud for hosting the meeting and for the tour of the Blair-Taylor facilities.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Ken French moved to adjourn. Peggy Pasker seconded the motion. Motion carried. Adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Next meeting: Wednesday evening, November 4, 2015 at 7 p.m. at CESA #4.

Respectfully submitted,  
Cheryl Gullicksrud