

BLACK RIVER PUBLIC SCHOOL

Minutes of Board of Trustees Meeting
September 20, 2021

1. Call to Order – The meeting was called to order by Kim Mitchell at 5:33 PM
2. Roll Call/Quorum Recognition – **Present:** Kim Mitchell, Mary Mims, Maria Carrizales-Alonzo (5:42 PM), Craig Davis, David Kibler, Elizabeth Bauman (5:55 PM), Mike Camarota. **Absent:** Tom Pietri Ruth Crouch

Staff: Shannon Brunink, John Donnelly, Ericka Foreman, Jim Levering, John Zoellner

Public: Matt Cawood, Amy Dykema, Brian Dykema, Errol Goldman

3. Approval of Minutes from August 23, 2021 – It was moved by K. Mitchell and supported by M. Mims to approve the minutes of August 23, 2021 with the clarification that the closed session vote was by roll call. Motion passed 5-0.
4. Business Report – John Zoellner presented to two audits for the 2020-21 school year (the single audit for federal funds which exceeded \$750,000 this past year and the traditional audit). There were no findings in either audit and the finance team was commended for its preparation and results. It was moved by Kim Mitchell and supported by Mike Camarota to approve the single (Federal fund audit). The motion passed 7-0. It was moved by Kim Mitchell and supported by Maria Carrizales-Alonzo to approve the general audit. The motion passed 7-0.
5. Administration Report – Jim Levering reported on the September 1, 2021 curriculum night and picnic which was well attended and the book fair that took in \$4000 for new books for the elementary. John Donnelly updated the Board on the student handbook changes which will be up for action at the October 2021 Board meeting. Shannon Brunink updated the Board on mask wearing, keeping tabs on student and staff stress with all the changes. The athletic eligibility committee is getting ready to address student eligibility for sports. The school is prepared to move into mandatory testing, if required by OSHA. Plans are prepared should the school have to return to virtual learning.

6. President's Report – No Report
7. GVSU Update – Matt Cawood reminded the Board about the virtual board development programs and that the GVSU monthly newsletter has been sent.
8. Old Business – None
9. New Business – Homecoming game is October 1, 2021 and the outdoor dance is October 2, 2021. Kim Mitchell will work on the process for securing a student board representative.
10. Public Comment/Open Forum
 - a. Brian Dykema read from a prepared statement regarding accessibility on campus.
 - b. Amy Dykema read from a prepared statement regarding accessibility on campus.
11. Adjourn – The meeting was unanimously adjourned at 7:14 PM.



Mary M. Mims, Secretary