BREMEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
October 18, 2011
Lion's Den—Bremen High School

Bremen Public Schools Mission Statement

The Bremen Public School community works collaboratively to provide a safe, nurturing environment where students are empowered academically and socially to succeed in life.

I. OPENING OF MEETING

A. The meeting was called to order by President Jordan. Those present included: Board members – Jill Hassel, Todd Stuckman, Frankie Merritt, and Chuck Klockow; Superintendent Russ Mikel; staff members and patrons. A prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance were offered by Jack Jordan.

B. A motion was made by Frankie Merritt to approve the minutes of the October 4, 2011 Regular Session Board meeting. The motion to approve was then seconded by Jill Hassel; motion carried.

C. Chuck Klockow moved to approve claims 1236 through 1334 as presented. The motion was seconded by Frankie Merritt. Motion carried 5 – 0.

D. Visitors were welcomed.

E. There were no patrons with comments concerning the Agenda Items.

II. STAFF REPORTS

A. Staff Reports—

1. Mr. Larry Yelaska reported to the board that they are looking into the possibility of adding the Junior Achievement program to our 6th grade curriculum. The program would provide practical information about personal finance and the importance of identifying education and career goals based on a student's skills, interests and values. The Scholastic Book Fair was a huge success this year, with $9,514.78 worth of material being sold during the week. The school profit was $5,760.69 worth of books that were distributed to many of our classrooms and library. The incredible support from students, parents, retired teachers and other community members was very much appreciated. On October 25th and 26th the K8 building will be conducting their parent teacher conferences from 4-7:30 PM, this will give the parents an opportunity to discuss their child's first quarter performance with the teachers, continuing to build a partnership with parents and the school throughout the year.
2. Mr. Nate McKeand informed the board that the Marching Band has had several competitions this month, including their highest score of the season at the Plymouth Invitational and participating in the Regional Competition in Lafayette. Both the boys and girls Cross Country teams finished 2nd in the Northern States

Conference Meet. The girls Cross Country team advanced to Regional competition in Elkhart. The soccer teams completed their successful seasons with competitive sectional games. The PSAT and ASVAB assessments were given to Sophomores and Juniors on Oct 12th. The BHS Spell Bowl Team competed at John Glenn High School. The High School Football Sectionals begin on Fri 10/21/11 at Prairie Heights High School. Volleyball sectionals will be on Saturday 10/22 against Westview. On Friday 10/28 there will be no school, this is for Fall Break.

3. The Practical & Fine Arts Departments presented the board with information on technology in their department.

III. PERSONNEL

1. Resignations – None
2. Transfers – None
3. Reassignments – None
4. Change in Status – None
5. New Contracts –

   Jack Jordan moved to accept the following new contracts as presented:

   5.1 Marty Andrews—HS Boys Basketball Assistant Coach

   5.2 Randy Neeley—HS Boys Basketball Assistant Coach

   Chuck Klockow seconded the motion; motion carried 5-0

6. Leave Requests—None
7. Terminations—None
8. Resignations—None
9. Volunteer's—FYI

   9.1 Ricky Sumpter—Volunteer Wrestling Coach

   9.2 Matt Turpin—Volunteer Wrestling Coach

   9.3 Kelsy Zumbrun—5th Grade Boys Basketball Volunteer Assistant Coach

   9.4 Drew Porter—5th Grade Boys Basketball Volunteer Assistant Coach

   9.5 Kyle Feldman—7th/8th Grade Boys Basketball Volunteer Assistant Coach

   9.6 Troy Manges—5th Grade Boys Basketball Volunteer Assistant Coach

   9.7 Bobby Anderson—5th Grade Boys Basketball Volunteer Assistant Coach

IV. OLD BUSINESS

A. There was discussion concerning the Strategic Planning, the deadline to share the Strategic Plan Action Plans is in January.

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. Jill Hassel moved to accept EdTech-Consulting (Robbie Grimes) as the One–to-One Computer Project Consultant as presented. Todd Stuckman seconded the motion; motion carried 5-0.

B. Jack Jordan moved to appoint Frankie Merritt as a member of the BPS Technology Committee, Todd Stuckman seconded the motion; motion carried.

C. A motion to accept the adoption of the 2012 Budget, CPF and Bus Replacement plans as presented was made by Frankie Merritt, Todd Stuckman seconded the motion; motion carried.

D. Jill Hassel moved to accept the adoption of Neutrality Resolution as presented, Chuck Klockow seconded the motion; motion carried 5-0.

E. Jack Jordan presented the board with a summary of the ISBA meeting.

F. Jack Jordan moved to accept the following Board Policy Waiver Request as presented:

1. Policy # 621-Extra-Curricular Trip—BHS/EACC student to attend National Contest in Las Vegas 10/31-11/4.

Jill Hassel seconded the motion; motion carried.

Frankie Merritt moved to accept the following Board Policy Waiver Request as presented:

2. Policy #621-Extra-Curricular Trip—BHS Senior/Officer Band Trip to State Marching Band Finals in Indianapolis 10/28-10/29.

Todd Stuckman seconded the motion; motion carried.

VI. OTHER MATTERS THAT CAME BEFORE THE BOARD

A. Next Board Meeting—Tuesday November 1, 2011 at 7:00 PM—BHS Media Center

B. ISBA Regional Meeting—Wednesday, Oct 19th 6:00 PM—Departure at 5:20 PM

C. Workforce Development Community Conversation—November 16 (8:30—3:00 at Swan Lake)

VII. ADJOURNMENT

A. There being no further business, Frankie Merritt moved for adjournment 8:54 PM. Jack Jordan seconded the motion; motion carried.

B. Upcoming Board Meetings

The next regularly scheduled Board meeting will be held on November 1, 2011.

Jack Jordan, President	Todd Stuckman, Vice President
Jill Hassel, Secretary	Frankie Merritt, Member
Chuck Klockow, Member	