The Bremen Public School community works collaboratively to provide a safe, nurturing environment where students are inspired academically and socially to reach each one’s potential 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, Chuck Klockow, and Sheila Kelty; Superintendent Russ Mikel; staff members and patrons. A prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance were offered by Chuck Klockow.

   B. A motion was made by Todd Stuckman to approve the minutes of the April 1, 2014 Regular Session Board meeting. The motion to approve was then seconded Sheila Kelty; motion carried.

   C. A motion was made by Jill Hassel to approve the minutes of the April 30, 2014 Executive Session Board meeting. The motion to approve was then seconded Jack Jordan; motion carried.

   D. Chuck Klockow moved to approve claims 255 through 577 as presented. The motion was seconded by Todd Stuckman. Motion carried 5 – 0.

   E. Mr. Mikel presented the General Fund Comparison.

   F. Visitors were welcomed.

   G. There was one patron with comments concerning the Agenda Items.

      1. Rhonda McIntyre is in support of hiring an ENL Teacher

II. STAFF REPORTS
   A. Staff Reports—

      1. Mr. Larry Yelaska reported to the board that the IREAD 3 results are in and 92% of the 3rd grade students passed the assessment. The state average rate was 85%. Congratulations to the 3rd grade students and to the entire staff on this accomplishment. The teachers did an excellent job of preparing the students this year and inspiring them to reach their potential. The ISTEP testing went very smooth, there were very few technology issues thanks to working them out during the practice test. The students worked very hard and the staff did a great job in preparing the students for the assessment and in administering the test. BEMS is moving ahead with PLTW, Mr. Rans is registered for the training session in July. After completing the course he will implement the Design and Modeling course into
his curriculum during the 2014/15 school year. On Friday April 25th, Rhonda McIntyre, Janet Davis, Russ Mikel and himself visited Kennedy Primary Center in South Bend, they were able to observe the program in the K, 2nd and 4th grade settings. This visit was very informative and they are planning on training a few staff members the summer of 2015 and implement the program in the 2015/16 school year. The Wander Indiana trip has been modified to a one day trip and will take place on Wed, May 7th. The students will visit the Statehouse and Conner Prairie. They appreciate Todd Huffman’s efforts to make this trip possible with providing the transportation for this.

2. Mr. Bruce Jennings informed the board that the Freshmen and Sophomores took the ASPIRE college & career readiness assessment on April 1st & 2nd. The Academic Super Bowl Teams competed at North Judson on April 22nd. Four of Bremen Schools’ Safety Specialist attended the Indiana School Safety Specialist Academy on April 22-24. On Thurs May 8th there will be a Recognition Program for EACC students at the Elkhart Career Center. The ECA testing for Algebra and English will begin on Tues May 13th and the Biology portion will be on Tues, May 20th. BHS will host the Red Cross Bloodmobile in the Lion Den on Wed May 14th. The Junior/Senior PROM will be held at the Back Forty in Bourbon on Saturday May 17th at 8:00 PM. Monday May 19th will be the day for the STUCO Election.

3. Melissa Miller presented the Board with her report of the 2013/14 school year Apple device repairs.

III. PERSONNEL

1. Resignations –
   Jack Jordan moved to accept the following resignations as presented:
   1.1 Sara Roggenbeck—Lunch Aide
   1.2 Allie Collins—Lunch Aide
   Sheila Kelty seconded the motion; motion carried.

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 Casey Geer—HS Temporary Math Teacher; coverage for Mrs. Inks maternity leave, early May through June 6, 2014.
   5.2 Barb Manges—Instructional Assistant
   5.3 Kristi Whitinger—5th Grade Teacher (Temporary)
   Chuck Klockow seconded the motion; motion carried, 5-0.

Chuck Klockow moved to accept the following new contracts as presented:
5.4 Patti Davis—HS Summer Health Teacher
5.5 Kyle Hanyzewski—HS Summer Government Teacher
5.6 Laura Watts—HS Summer Economic Teacher
5.7 Mark Yoder—HS Summer Physical Education Teacher
5.8 Jenny Heiter—HS Summer English Teacher
Jill Hassel seconded the motion; motion carried, 5-0.
6. Leave Requests—None
7. Terminations—None
8. Retirement—
   Jill Hassel moved to accept the following retirement as presented:
      8.1 Deb Hueni—4th Grade
Chuck Klockow seconded the motion; motion carried.

9. Volunteer’s—FYI
   9.1 Holly Farrer—HS Volunteer Track Coach

IV. OLD BUSINESS
V. NEW BUSINESS
A. Jack Jordan moved to approve the Conditional Waiver of Penalty for Loss of Instructional Day as presented. Chuck Klockow seconded the motion, motion carried.

B. There was discussion concerning the comparison and update of 1:1 at Bremen and the Insurance Fee. More information regarding the Insurance and K-8 Text Book Rental Costs will be gathered and discussed at the next board meeting.

C. Policy Waivers
   Jack Jordan moved to accept the following Policy Waivers as presented:
   1. Policy 621—Extracurricular Trips
      1.1 FFA State Convention @ Purdue on June 17-19, 2014
      1.2 FFA National Convention @ Louisville, KY on Oct 29-31, 2014
Chuck Klockow seconded the motion; motion carried.

D. Jill Hassel moved to approve the request for permission to hire a Certified ENL Teacher as presented. Chuck Klockow seconded the motion; motion carried 5-0.

E. Sheila Kelty moved to approve the request for permission to hire a ¾ time Certified CTE Teacher as presented. Chuck Klockow seconded the motion; motion carried 5-0.

F. The Strategic Planning—Scorecard will be discussed at the Work Session on May 19th, 2014.

G. Jack Jordan moved to ratify Mr. Holmes and Mr. Jennings actions concerning the conference decision as presented. Chuck Klockow seconded the motion; motion carried 5-0.

VI. OTHER MATTERS THAT CAME BEFORE THE BOARD
A. Next Board Meeting—Monday May 19, 2014 at 6:30 PM High School Media Center

B. PLTW Grant Monies

C. May 19, 2014 Board Meeting—Work Session will consist of –Score Card/TBR K-8

D. Thank You from The Holy Walk

E. Review of Superintendent Application Form
VII. ADJOURNMENT

A. There being no further business, Sheila Kelty moved for adjournment 9:05 PM. Jack Jordan seconded the motion; motion carried.

B. Upcoming Board Meetings

The next regularly scheduled Board meeting will be held on May 19, 2014 at 6:30 PM.

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Jack Jordan, President

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Jill Hassel, Vice President

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Todd Stuckman, Secretary

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Sheila Kelty, Member

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Chuck Klockow, Member

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