Bremen Public Schools Mission Statement

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, and Chuck Klockow, and Frankie Merritt; Superintendent Russ Mikel; staff members and patrons. A prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance were offered by Russ Mikel.

B. A motion was made by Jill Hassel to approve the minutes of the January 22, 2013 Regular Session Board meeting. The motion to approve was then seconded Chuck Klockow; motion carried.

C. Frankie Merritt moved to approve claims 83 through 136 as presented. The motion was seconded by Todd Stuckman. 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. Bruce Jennings informed the board that the Guidance Department hosted “Eighth Grade Orientation in the Bowen Auditorium on January 28th. There was an informational meeting for students (9-11) interested in attending the Elkhart Career Center on January 23rd. The LAS LINKS Assessment process was completed on Friday 1/25/13. There will be NO school at EACC on the following dates: 2/4/13 due to parent/teacher conferences, 2/15/13 “Presidents’ Day Recess” and 2/18/13 Presidents’ Day. There will also be no school at BHS on Mon 2/18/13 for Presidents’ Day.

2. High School and K8 Extra Curricular Accounts were presented to the Board.

3. A presentation on the Flipped Classroom was given by Mrs. Wickens.

III. PERSONNEL
1. Resignations – None
2. Transfers – None
3. Reassignments – None
4. Change in Status – None
5. New Contracts –
   Chuck Klockow moved to accept the following new contracts as presented:
   5.1. Sarai Cruz—ENL Instructional Assistant
   5.2. Jill Zeltwanger—MS Swimming Coach
   5.3. Brita Miller—MS Tennis Coach
   5.4. Eric Hudson—HS Track Assistant Coach
   5.5. Jeff Fitch—HS Track Assistant Coach
   5.6. Stephanie Pittman—HS Track Assistant Coach
   5.7. Caleb Martin—HS Track Assistant Coach
   5.8. Regan Eakins—HS Baseball Assistant Coach
   Jack Jordan seconded the motion; motion carried, 5-0.

6. Leave Requests—
   Frankie Merritt moved to accept the following leave request as presented:
   6.1. Jerry Sheneman—Bus Driver
   Jill Hassel seconded the motion; motion carried, 5-0.

7. Terminations—None
8. Retirement—
   Jack Jordan moved to accept the following Retirement as presented:
   8.1. Pat Hunt—MS Resource Teacher
   Frankie Merritt seconded the motion; motion carried.

9. Volunteer’s—FYI
   9.1. Brian Jennings—MS Girls Basketball Volunteer Coach
   9.2. Ben Wright—MS Wrestling Volunteer Coach

IV. OLD BUSINESS
V. NEW BUSINESS
A. Policy Waiver—
   1. Policy 620—Class Field Trip
      1.1. Jill Hassel moved to approve the waiver request for the 7th Grade to
           attend an overnight trip to Camp Eberhart April 11-12, 2013. Todd Suckman
           seconded the motion; motion carried. 5-0

   2. Policy 621—Extra-Curricular Trips
      2.1. Frankie Merritt moved to approve the waiver request for the High School
           FFA club to attend the overnight State FFA Convention at Purdue University
           June 18-20, 2013. Jack Jordan seconded the motion; motion carried.
      2.2. Jack Jordan moved to approve the waiver request for the High School
           FFA club to attend the overnight Officer/Leadership Excursion to Michigan &
           Ohio July 29-31, 2013. Chuck Klockow seconded the motion; motion carried.
      2.3. Chuck Klockow moved to approve the waiver request for the High School
           FFA to attend the overnight National FFA Convention in Louisville, KY on
           October 24-27, 2013. Todd Stuckman seconded the motion; motion carried. 5-0
B. A motion to approve the contract proposal for Melisa Miller was made by Frankie Merritt, Chuck Klockow seconded the motion; motion carried 5-0.

C. Jack Jordan moved to nominate Chuck Klockow as a member of the Woodies’ Scholarship Selection Committee, Jill Hassel seconded the motion; motion carried.

VI. OTHER MATTERS THAT CAME BEFORE THE BOARD
A. Next Board Meeting—Tuesday February 19, 2013 at 7:00 PM

B. Additional Person at Corporate Office, Data.

C. Dr. Carr, Author/Speaker “Hollowing Out the Middle—The Rural Brain Drain and What it Means for America”.

VII. ADJOURNMENT
A. There being no further business, Frankie Merritt moved for adjournment 8:20 PM. Jack Jordan seconded the motion; motion carried.

B. Upcoming Board Meetings

The next regularly scheduled Board meeting will be held on February 19, 2013.

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Jack Jordan, President        Chuck Klockow, Vice President

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Jill Hassel, Secretary        Frankie Merritt, Member

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Todd Stuckman, Member

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º MUTUAL RESPECT  º CARING SCHOOL COMMUNITY  º GREAT EXPECTATIONS