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; Frankie Merritt was absent, 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 Todd Stuckman to approve the minutes of the February 5, 2013 Regular Session Board meeting. The motion to approve was then seconded Chuck Klockow; motion carried.

C. Todd Stuckman moved to approve claims 137 through 214 as presented. The motion was seconded by Jill Hassel. Motion carried 4 – 0.

D. Mr. Mikel presented the General Fund Comparison.

E. Visitors were welcomed.

F. 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 the tech committee made the following proposal for next year’s 1:1 initiative:
      - 7th/8th—Mac Air Books
      - 3rd-6th—IPads
      - 1st-2nd—IPad Minis
      - Kndg—Use Existing IPads

They are now waiting on a price quote and will meet with an Apple sales representative next week. The goal is to have the devices ordered and in the teacher’s hands before the end of the school year. They are almost done with all of the ISTEP+ test talks; the teachers are doing a great job with the ISTEP prep activities. The testing will begin the week of March 4th. They are also going to teak the language arts pilot test for the state this year. This will be an additional 70 minutes test in grades 3rd-8th. Cyndy McKenzie and Lori Nykiel are the chairpersons of the Young Authors committee. The event will take place on Friday April 19th and we will be the host. The theme will be a County Fair. The committee has done an
incredible amount of planning and it will be a great event. The author, Catherine Houts, will be our featured speaker this year.

2. Mr. Bruce Jennings informed the board of several upcoming events and activities at BHS. On Thursday 2/21 there will be a Band Concert in the Bowen Auditorium, 6:30 PM will be the Middle School and 7:45 PM will be the High School students. Then on Monday 2/25 there will be a Choir Concert in the Bowen Auditorium with the High School performing at 6:30 PM and the Middle School at 7:45 PM. The Term #2 Exams will begin on Wed., Feb. 27th. On Thursday 2/28 at 7:00 PM EACC will hold their National Technical Honor Society Induction Ceremony. Friday March 1st there will be no school for High School students as it is a Teacher Record Day. Term #3 will begin on Monday March 4th. The Dollars For Scholars Phone-a-thon will take place on Tues 3/5 beginning at 6:00 PM.

III. PERSONNEL
1. Resignations –
The Middle School Track resignations were tabled until the next board meeting due to incomplete official resignations.

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 Keith Philips—HS Boys Assistant Golf Coach
   5.2 Tricia Cripe—HS Assistant Track Coach
   5.3 Jon Hershberger—HS Assistant Softball Coach
Jill Hassel seconded the motion; motion carried, 4-0.

6. Leave Requests—
Jill Hassel moved to accept the following leave request as presented:
   6.1. Tate Bellman—Elementary Special Education Teacher
Chuck Klockow seconded the motion; motion carried, 4-0.

7. Terminations—None
8. Retirement—None
9. Volunteer’s—FYI
   9.1 Tony Brooke—MS Volunteer Wrestling Coach
   9.2 Tim Feldman—6th Grade Girls Basketball Volunteer Coach
   9.3 Kristy Rupert—HS Volunteer Assistant Track Coach

IV. OLD BUSINESS
V. NEW BUSINESS
A. Approval of Second Amended and Restated Agreement and Declaration of Trust of the Midwest Area School Employees’ Insurance Trust has been tabled to provide time to review documents, will address at the next board meeting.

B. Chuck Klockow moved to approve Administrative Office/High School Positions, Todd Stuckman seconded the motion; motion carried 4-0.
VI. OTHER MATTERS THAT CAME BEFORE THE BOARD
A. Next Board Meeting—Tuesday March 5, 2013 at 7:00 PM

B. Executive Session will be held Wednesday March 13, 2013 at 6:00 PM.

VII. ADJOURNMENT
A. There being no further business, Jill Hassel moved for adjournment 7:32 PM. Jack Jordan seconded the motion; motion carried.

B. Upcoming Board Meetings

The next regularly scheduled Board meeting will be held on March 5, 2013. Executive Session will be held on March 13, 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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  ° MUTUAL RESPECT  ° CARING SCHOOL COMMUNITY  ° GREAT EXPECTATIONS