I. OPENING OF MEETING

A. The meeting was called to order by Vice President Klockow. Those present included: Board members – Jill Hassel, Todd Stuckman, and Chuck Klockow, and Frankie Merritt; President Jack Jordan was absent, 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 January 8, 2013 Regular Session Board meeting. The motion to approve was then seconded Frankie Merritt; motion carried.

C. Frankie Merritt moved to approve claims 1 through 82 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 is continuing to explore options for the 1:1 initiative for the K8 building. The group gathered a lot of valuable information on their visit to East Noble Schools, they were able to view the teachers and students in action at both the middle school and elementary levels. They will be visiting two more sites later this month, Plymouth Public Schools on 1/23/13 as well as the Apple Briefing Room in Chicago on January 31st, these visits will be helpful in determining a timeline, what grades to include and what device to adopt in the next phase. There is an awards assembly scheduled for the 2nd quarter on Friday 2/1/13. Along with the regular awards they will reward students through the PBIS incentives, there will be a drawing with the following prizes given:

- K-2------Kindle Simple Touch
- 3rd-5th-----Kindle Simple Touch
- 6th-8th-----Kindle Fire

A big Thank You to TCU for funding the prizes for this incentive drawing. The
names will be pulled on the stage during the assembly. On Wednesday January 23, 2013 the K8 building will host a DOE presentation in the Large Group Room. The topic of this is Acuity and mCLASS. There could be 40-50 educators attending this workshop that does not require registration. They are not moving to Acuity or mCLASS, they are simply acting as a host site for the DOE presenters.

2. Mr. Bruce Jennings informed the board that the Guidance Department hosted a Financial Aid Seminar with Guy Fisher from Bethel College on January 8th. BHS hosted an informational session for Bremen parents interested in hosting a foreign exchange student on January 14th. There will be an informational meeting for students interested in attending EACC in the Bowen Auditorium at 8:00 a.m. on Wed., Jan 23rd. The LAS LINKS assessment will take place in the Bowen Auditorium all day on Friday 1/25. On Monday January 28, 2013 the 8th Grade Orientation will be held in the Bowen Auditorium at 7:00 p.m.

3. Mr. Russ Mikel and the building principals gave an updated progress report about the Strategic Plan.

III. PERSONNEL

1. Resignations – None
2. Transfers – None
3. Reassignments – None
4. Change in Status – None
5. New Contracts –
   Frankie Merritt moved to accept the following new contract as presented:
   5.1. Pam Tredway—K8 Instructional Assistant
   Chuck Klockow seconded the motion; motion carried, 4-0.

6. Leave Requests—
   Chuck Klockow moved to accept the following leave request as presented:
   6.1. Norma Hubert—Cafeteria Assistant
   Jill Hassel seconded the motion; motion carried, 4-0.

7. Terminations—None
8. Retirement—None
9. Volunteer’s—None

IV. OLD BUSINESS

A. Greg Miller presented the new vision insurance. Bremen Public Schools will be provided Vision Insurance by Humana.

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. Jill Hassel moved to approve the Transfer of Appropriation Resolution as presented, Todd Stuckman seconded the motion; motion carried.

B. Frankie Merritt moved to approve the Cancellation of Outstanding Checks as presented, Todd Stuckman seconded the motion; motion carried.

C. Policy Waiver—
   1. Policy 621—Extracurricular Trips
1.1  Jill Hassel moved to approve the waiver request for the High School DECA students to compete and stay overnight March 3-5, 2013 at the State DECA Competition in Indianapolis. Chuck Klockow seconded the motion; motion carried. 4-0

D. Lana Mark asked the Board if they would like copies of committee minutes of meetings to stay informed. The Board has an interest.

VI. OTHER MATTERS THAT CAME BEFORE THE BOARD
A. Next Board Meeting—Tuesday February 5, 2013 at 7:00 PM

B. Melissa Miller is now an Apple Certified Maintenance Technician. This will allow us to do in-house repairs of Apple laptops—we are required by Apple to have an ACMT on staff. Pay increase to be discussed at the next board meeting.

C. Elkhart Area Career Center will hold their Open House on Sunday January 27th 1:30-3:30 p.m.

VII. ADJOURNMENT
A. There being no further business, Frankie Merritt moved for adjournment 8:30 PM. Chuck Klockow seconded the motion; motion carried.

B. Upcoming Board Meetings

The next regularly scheduled Board meeting will be held on February 5, 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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