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 – Todd Stuckman, Frankie Merritt, and Chuck Klockow; member Jill Hassel was absent; 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 Chuck Klockow to approve the minutes of the June 19, 2012 Regular Session Board meeting. The motion to approve was then seconded Frankie Merritt; motion carried.

   C. A motion was made by Frankie Merritt to approve the minutes of the June 25, 2012 Work Session Board meeting. The motion to approve was then seconded Todd Stuckman; motion carried.

   D. A motion was made by Todd Stuckman to approve the minutes of the June 25, 2012 Executive Session Board meeting. The motion to approve was then seconded Jack Jordan; motion carried.

   E. Frankie Merritt moved to approve claims 847 through 992 as presented. The motion was seconded by Todd Stuckman. Motion carried 4 – 0.

   F. Mr. Mikel presented the General Fund Comparison.

   G. Visitors were welcomed.

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

      1. Rita Jeffirs asked the board to do a complete investigation in her dismissal.

II. STAFF REPORTS
   A. Staff Reports—

      1. Mr. Larry Yelaska reported to the board that after a lot of very hard work during the 3 week summer school session the six 3rd grade students passed the IREAD3 assessment. Dawn Korra, Amy Lechlitner and Susan Gallegos did an excellent job preparing the students for the exam. The students and parents celebrated on the
last day of summer school with an ice cream cake party. Many of the 3rd grade teachers also joined in the celebration and honored the hard work of the students. Our students are working hard this summer as they continue to focus on learning, they are taking AR test at the Bremen Public Library. The students are allowed to take test whenever the library is open, it also helps to increase the circulation of books during the summer months. They are looking forward to having a big group of kids at the AR pool party on August 9th. While continuing to prepare for the 2012/13 school year, Mr. Yelaska appreciates the teachers that have given up their vacation time to assist with interviews and are spending time this summer reviewing plans, revising calendars, exploring the new common core standards and preparing for their next group of students. The schools continued success is a direct reflection of this dedication and efforts.

2. Mr. Bruce Jennings informed the board that the administrators of BPS received CPI (Crisis Prevention Intervention) Training on June 19th and CPR training was offered to staff on June 20th. Summer School ECA’s in English and Algebra I occurred on June 28-29th with Summer School concluding on July 3rd. Fall sports practices will begin on Monday July 30th (Girls Golf on Fri July 27th), Marching Band Camp will begin on Wed August 1st. BHS offices will reopen on Thurs August 2nd.

3. Mr. Jack Jordan presented his report on the ISBA Summer Academy that he attended on July 9th-10th, 2012.

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 contracts as presented:
   5.1 Maria Hutchinson—6th Grade Language Arts Teacher (Part Time)
   5.2 Jennifer Meyer—HS Math/Physics Teacher
   5.3 Joe Rallo—HS Social Studies Teacher-Temporary (2 months)
Chuck Klockow seconded the motion; motion carried. 4-0

Jack Jordan moved to accept the following new contracts as presented:
   5.4 Ricardo Reynoso—HS Boys Soccer Assistant Coach
   5.5 Tonya Bleiler—HS Girls Basketball Assistant Coach
   5.6 Jay Leeper—MS Head Football Coach
   5.7 Jeffery Grove—7th Grade Football Coach
   5.8 Mathew Miller—8th Grade Boys Basketball Coach
   5.9 Brad Sterling—7th Grade Boys Basketball Coach
   5.10 Greg Williams—6th Grade Boys Basketball Coach
   5.11 Sarah Moyer—8th Grade Volleyball Coach
   5.12 Sandy Moser—7th Grade Volleyball Coach
   5.13 Greg Williams—6th Grade Girls Basketball Coach
   5.14 Jeff Fitch—MS Cross Country Coach
   5.15 Noelle Cannon—MS Cheerleading Coach
   5.16 Vickie Knepper—MS Yearbook Advisor
5.17 Ashley Boardman—HS Art Club Sponsor
5.18 Ashley Boardman—HS Fine Arts Academic Coach
5.19 Amber Reed—HS Co-Sponsor of the National Honor Society

Chuck Klockow seconded the motion; motion carried.

Chuck Klockow moved to accept the following new contracts as presented:
5.20 Ragnar Flesvig—MS Assistant Principal
Frankie Merritt seconded the motion; motion carried. 4-0

6. Leave Requests—None

7. Terminations—
Chuck Klockow moved to accept the following new contracts as presented:
7.1 Rita Jeffirs—Instructional Assistant
Todd Stuckman seconded the motion; motion carried.

8. Retirement—None

9. Volunteer’s—FYI
9.1 Mark Wagner—HS Boys/Girls Tennis Volunteer Assistant
9.2 Rommie DePalma—MS Volunteer Football Coach
9.3 Nathan Miller—MS Volunteer Football Coach
9.4 Stephen Zellmer—MS Volunteer Football Coach
9.5 Larry Martin—MS Volunteer Football Coach
9.6 Dave Wunder—MS Volunteer Football Coach
9.7 Eric Hudson—MS Volunteer Cross Country Coach
9.8 Kayla Turpin—MS Volunteer Cheerleading Coach
9.9 Danielle Hudson—MS volunteer Cheerleading Coach
9.10 Rebekah Thompson—HS Volunteer Key Club Sponsor
9.11 Sarah Wesselhoft—HS Volunteer Color Guard
Instructor/Supervisor

IV. OLD BUSINESS
A. Refinancing 2002 Severance Bonds—Curt Pletcher and Jim Shanahan made a presentation.
   1. Jack Jordan moved to approve the refinancing, Chuck Klockow seconded the motion; motion carried.
   2. Chuck Klockow moved to accept Option #1, Frankie Merritt seconded the motion; motion carried.

V. NEW BUSINESS
A. A motion to accept the 2012/13 school year Contract Agreement Renewal with The Crossing Educational Center was made by Jack Jordan, Chuck Klockow seconded the motion; motion carried.

B. Todd Stuckman moved to approve the $5,000 donation from BP from a grant submitted by Jamie Bellman, designated for Special Ed. Frankie Merritt seconded the motion; motion carried 4-0.

C. Chuck Klockow moved to accept the recommendation of Administrative Contract Extensions, Jack Jordan seconded the motion; motion carried 4-0.
VI. OTHER MATTERS THAT CAME BEFORE THE BOARD
A. Next Board Meeting—Tuesday August 7, 2012 at 7:00 PM

B. Nutrition Coordinator—Through the Educational Service Center $3,500 from Lunch Program.


VII. ADJOURNMENT
A. There being no further business, Frankie Merritt moved for adjournment 8:35 PM. Jack Jordan seconded the motion; motion carried.

B. Upcoming Board Meetings

   The next regularly scheduled Board meeting will be held on August 7, 2012.

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Jack Jordan, President       Todd Stuckman, Vice President

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Jill Hassel, Secretary       Frankie Merritt, Member

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Chuck Klockow, Member

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