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

B. A motion was made by Todd Stuckman to approve the minutes of the March 6, 2012 Regular Session Board meeting. The motion to approve was then seconded Jill Hassel; motion carried.

C. Jack Jordan moved to approve claims 327 through 426 as presented. The motion was seconded by Frankie Merritt. 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. Larry Yelaska reported to the board that on Monday March 19th all 3rd graders took the IREAD 3 test that consisted of three multiple choice sessions. The state is anticipating results to be returned in early April. Students that do not pass the assessment will have one more chance in the summer. The K-2 will present “How Does Your Garden Grow”, their spring musical program, on March 22nd at 7:00 PM. Mrs. Leeper and the students always do a great job with their programs and we are excited for the performance. The PTO is sponsoring a Family Reading Night for student’s 2nd-3rd grade. The event will take place on Friday, March 23rd at 6:30 PM. The students will meet in the library for a story and some other literacy activities. The parents will meet in the Large Group Room, where Mrs. Tracy will discuss strategies that the parents can use to support their children’s literacy skills. The event will end with milk and cookies in the library. Sabrina Wickens’ pre-algebra students will be introduced to the Flipped Classroom concept this year. This will be done on a trial basis; Mrs. Wickens will record her lesson and then post it on the web. For homework the students will review the lesson at home, the traditional homework will then be done in the classroom. This model will allow the students to apply the concepts with the assistance of the teacher in the room.
2. Mr. Bruce Jennings informed the board that on March 6th the English Academic Super Bowl Team won the Winamac Invitational. Also on the 6th the Winter Sports Awards Program was held at BHS. On March 7th the Juniors took the COMPASS Diagnostics Test and received their results back on March 12th; they also took the national ACT test on March 20th. The BHS Jazz Band and BHS Swing Choir performed at Argos High School on March 9th. The Prom committee along with sponsors Beth Huppert and Kate Johnson organized the 1st Annual Prom Fundraiser Fashion Show on March 10th. Students in grades 6-12 participated in a survey conducted by the Indiana Prevention Resource Center on March 19th. The National Honor Society with sponsors Lori Hundt and Melissa Manges hosted the Annual Dance Marathon for Riley Hospital on Fri March 16th. The Spring Musical “Annie Get Your Gun” will be presented on Fri 3/23, Sat 3/24 and Sun 3/25 in the Bowen Auditorium. BHS will host Ag Day on Friday March 23rd. The Lion King Contest will be held on Friday April 13th, 2012. Jenna Pfeifer, Sara Slabaugh, Kailee Feldman and Ethan Pike were named to the All-Conference Basketball Team by the NSC coaches. Kailyn Weiss and Kirstyn Buck placed 4th in the Travel & Tourism category of DECA competition to qualify for the International Career Development Conference competition in Salt Lake City, Utah.

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. Lisa Hochstetler—Cafeteria Assistant
   5.2. Sandy Moser—Part Time Special Education Instructional Assistant
Jill Hassel seconded the motion; motion carried.

6. Leave Requests—None
7. Terminations—None
8. Retirement—None
9. Volunteer’s—None

IV. OLD BUSINESS

V. NEW BUSINESS
A. Jill Hassel moved to approve the Option B for the 2012-13 Corporation Calendar, Todd Stuckman seconded the motion; motion carried 5-0.

B. The First Reading of Policy 712: Student Organization Fund Raising took place.

C. Board Policy Waivers
   A motion to approve the following Policy Waiver was made by Jack Jordan:
   1. Policy 621—Extracurricular Trips
      1.1. DECA to attend the International Career Development Conference in Salt Lake City, UT. April 28-May1, 2012.
Chuck Klockow seconded the motion; motion carried.
D. There was discussion about One to One and Financing the project. Mr. Mikel and Mrs. Shambarger gave the board information on funding the One to One Imitative.

VI. OTHER MATTERS THAT CAME BEFORE THE BOARD
A. Next Board Meeting—Tuesday April 17, 2012 at 7:00 PM

VII. ADJOURNMENT
A. There being no further business, Frankie Merritt moved for adjournment 8:56 PM. Jack Jordan seconded the motion; motion carried.

B. Upcoming Board Meetings

The next regularly scheduled Board meeting will be held on April 17, 2012.

Jack Jordan, President                      Todd Stuckman, Vice President

Jill Hassel, Secretary                      Frankie Merritt, Member

Chuck Klockow, Member

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