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 Frankie Merritt; and Chuck Klockow; 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 Chuck Klockow to approve the minutes of the October 1, 2012 Regular Session Board meeting. The motion to approve was then seconded Frankie Merritt; motion carried.

C. A motion was made by Jill Hassel to approve the minutes of the October 15, 2012 Regular Session Board meeting. The motion to approve was then seconded Todd Stuckman; motion carried 4–0. Jack Jordan was absent on the October 15, 2012 Regular Session Meeting so he did not vote.

D. Chuck Klockow moved to approve claims 1432 through 1528 as presented. The motion was seconded by Jack Jordan. Motion carried 5–0.

E. Mr. Mikel presented the General Fund Comparison.

F. Visitors were welcomed.

G. There were no patrons with comments concerning the Agenda Items.

II. STAFF REPORTS
A. Staff Reports—
   1. Mr. Larry Yelaska reported to the board on November 8th during the Thursday morning collaboration time the school will hold a Professional Development Smorgasbord event where teachers and administrators have volunteered to present to their colleagues various knowledge and information they have obtained from other conferences that they have attended. There will be another Professional Development Smorgasbord event in the spring. BEMS will start to explore the implementation of the 1:1 initiative. The discussions will start at the Tech Committee meeting on November 12th; they will be discussing the following agenda items; what grade levels will go 1:1 next, timeline for implementation, establish sub committees, and explore what device to adopt and schedule visits to other 1:1
schools. All 2nd round observations will be completed before December 31st. During the post-observation meeting the mid-year goal review will also take place. The evaluation process can be very time consuming, but things have been going very well. The McRel tool is doing a good job of ensuring quality instruction. Teachers are able to see their strengths and it also gives them specific feedback or areas of growth.

2. Mr. Bruce Jennings informed the board that the PSAT and ASVAB tests were administered on October 17th. BHS held a College Financial Aid Information Night for parents and students on Monday November 5th. Wednesday Nov 7, 2012 will be the Fall Sports Awards Program beginning in the Auditorium at 7:30 PM. Bremen High Students will be taking their final exams for the first term on Wed 11/14 and Thurs 11/15 and the Teachers will be in Apple Training on those dates as well. Friday November 16 there is no school for students in Bremen High School, the end of term 1. Term 2 will begin on Monday November 19th. The Red Cross Bloodmobile will be holding a Blood Drive in the Lion Den for the full day on Tuesday 11/20.

3. Computer Tech Support Students and Faculty presented a report on the Technology Help Desk in the BHS Media Center.

III. PERSONNEL
1. Resignations –
   Jill Hassel moved to accept the following resignations as presented:
   1.1 Ashley Manges—K8 Media Center Assistant
   1.2 Patsy Foster—Cafeteria Assistant
   1.3 Mischell Browning—BHS Science Club Sponsor
   Frankie Merritt seconded the motion; motion carried.

2. Transfers – None
3. Reassignments – None
4. Change in Status – None
5. New Contracts – None
6. Leave Requests—
   Jack Jordan moved to accept the following leave request as presented:
   6.1 Chris English—Leave without pay
   Chuck Klockow seconded the motion; motion carried 5-0.

7. Terminations—None
8. Retirement— None
9. Volunteer’s—FYI
   9.1 Kelsy Zumbrun—6th Grade Boys Basketball Volunteer Assistant
   9.2 Mike Shumaker—HS Volunteer Wrestling Coach
   9.3 Chris Devine—5th Grade Boys Basketball Volunteer Coach
   9.4 Zach Hundt—HS Volunteer Wrestling Coach

IV. OLD BUSINESS

V. NEW BUSINESS
A. Policy Waivers
   1. Policy 620—Class Field Trips
1.1 A motion to waive Policy 620: for the 4th Grade Overnight Wander Indiana Trip, was made by Frankie Merritt, Chuck Klockow seconded the motion; motion carried.

B. There was discussion about Policy 600—Bus Route Discussion.

C. President Jack Jordan requested that his report from the ISBA conference he attended be placed on the November 20th Board Agenda.

D. Jill Hassel made the motion to open the hearing on Additional Appropriations of the Pension Bonds of 2002. Chuck Klockow seconded the motion; motion carried 5-0.

There were no public comments.

Frankie Merritt made the motion to close the Hearing on Additional Appropriations of the Pension Bonds of 2002. Jack Jordan seconded the motion; motion carried 5-0.

Jack Jordan made the motion to approve the Resolution to Approve the Additional Appropriations of the Pension Bonds of 2002. Todd Stuckman seconded the motion; motion carried 5-0.

VI. OTHER MATTERS THAT CAME BEFORE THE BOARD
   A. Next Board Meeting—Tuesday November 20, 2012 at 7:00 PM
   B. Bruce Jennings has been named Principal of the Year for District 2.

VII. ADJOURNMENT
   A. There being no further business, Frankie Merritt moved for adjournment 8:55 PM. Jack Jordan seconded the motion; motion carried.

   B. Upcoming Board Meetings

       The next regularly scheduled Board meeting will be held on November 20, 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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