

**Minutes**  
**Regular School Board Meeting**  
**October 11, 2021 6:30 P.M.**

A regular meeting of the School Board of the School District of Bruce was held on October 11, 2021 at the Exeland Rod and Gun Club. School Board President Andrew Anderson read a statement of proper noticing of the meeting. Members present were Andrew Anderson, Roxanne Kemnitz, Daniel Kempen (via phone), Daniel Robers, Jody Schweitzer-Hopkins and Andrea Vohs. Also present were Administrators Patrick Sturzl, Carrie Wessman and Laurie Leaf.

The board meeting was called to order at 6:33 p.m. by Board President Andrew Anderson.

A Robers/ Schweitzer-Hopkins motion to approve the September 13, 2021 Regular School Board meeting minutes with an amendment carried.

The financial report with revenues of \$596,686.84 and expenditures of \$592,460.22 were reviewed and filed for audit.

A Kempen/Vohs motion to approve the vouchers payable carried.

There were no visitors to address the board.

A Kemnitz/ Schweitzer-Hopkins motion to approve changes to Lower Elementary Classroom Sections as presented carried.

A Robers/Vohs motion to hire Jon Fields for a one year position as a full time instructional aide carried.

A Vohs/Robers motion to approve the 2021-2022 budget as presented carried.

A Schweitzer-Hopkins/Vohs motion to approve Friday, May 28 as the Graduation date for the class of 2022 carried.

The November Regular Board Meeting will be held November 8, 2021 in the Bruce High School IMC.

Elementary Principal's Report- Carrie Wessman

- There will be a Flu Shot Clinic for students at school on October 20<sup>th</sup> in the afternoon-more information will be sent home later this week.
- October 21<sup>st</sup> is the next Early Release – Elementary Data Collaboration to review assessments and plan intervention/enrichment groups.
- Dental – Bright Smiles will be at school October 22 for the first fluoride treatment of the year.
- Jumpstart's Read for the Record - which promotes early literacy is on October 28<sup>th</sup>. This year's book is Amy Wu and the Patchwork Dragon by Kat Zhang. I ordered the book for the 4K classroom and the library so we can join in on this celebration.
- Mr. Kaduce, the new elementary music teacher, is in the process of planning some music concerts for the elementary. He is hoping to have one concert each trimester. The concerts will be split into different age groups. PreK will have their own concert. There will be another for kindergarten through second grade and then one for third through fifth grade. The K-2 concert will be on November 15 at 2:15 p.m. in the new gym. The 3-5 concert date has not been set yet. More information regarding concerts will be sent home by Mr. Kaduce and Mr. Hecimovich.
- Elementary parent teacher conferences will be on November 11<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 - 7:00 p.m. and November 12<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 a.m. to noon. Your child's classroom teacher will be scheduling the conference time with you. Just a reminder that on November 12 there is not school for elementary students.

Middle & High School Principal's Report – Laurie Leaf

- We have some great opportunities with CESA this year. They are really trying to help us get students into the community to see what types of jobs are offered. This month we will be taking some students to Rice Lake Weighing Systems and WITC. We also received a call from a part owner of Allied Dies in Chippewa Falls, so Mr. Kahl is bringing 9 students on a tour there.
- We are once again having the Freshman Respect Retreat this month on the 29th. Lake Holcombe and Flambeau will join us.
- Thank you to Mrs. West and the LHS who had a successful blood drive last month.
- Fastbridge testing was done at the end of September. This is new to the HS staff, as we previously used ACT Aspire. Middle and high school staff used the early release to start looking at that data.
- Homecoming went very well, thank you to Mr. Strek and the student council. There was more school spirit this year than in previous years.
- The WiRR committee met again in August to go over the Wisconsin Readiness Report card. We shared that with the middle and high school staff and looked at areas of strength and areas for growth. Our completion of dual credit courses and dual credit courses with grade C or higher were very good.

District Administrator's Report – Patrick Sturzl

- Our third Friday September count has been submitted to the DPI. The count is down 16 students. We have 12 less 4K students.
- October 15<sup>th</sup>, the DPI will have the most recent revenue worksheets available for our school districts.
- October 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 in the HS cafeteria will be the annual meeting for the district.
- All signs point to the mill rate being the lowest since I have been district administrator. That means the school district portion of the tax bill likely will be lower.
- Our Covid numbers are low, but cases and quarantines are constant.
- We ordered 180 chrome books last week. The district will be reimbursed through the e-rate grant next year.

A Kemnitz/Schweitzer-Hopkins motion to approve the administrative reports carried.

A Schweitzer-Hopkins motion to convene to closed session per statute 19.85 (1)(c)(f) carried at 7:27 p.m. by unanimous roll call.

A Kemnitz/ Schweitzer-Hopkins motion to return to Open Session at 8:14 p.m. carried.

A Kemnitz/Vohs motion to approve an alternate education plan for a student as presented carried.

A Kempen/Schweitzer-Hopkins motion to adjourn at 8:15 p.m. carried.

Submitted by,



Andrea Vohs (Clerk)

Approved November 8, 2021