

Minutes
Regular School Board Meeting
September 13, 2021 6:30 P.M.

A regular meeting of the School Board of the School District of Bruce was held on September 13, 2021 in the Bruce High School IMC. School Board President Andrew Anderson read a statement of proper noticing of the meeting. Members present were Andrew Anderson, Steve Golat, Roxanne Kemnitz, Daniel Kempen (via phone), Jody Schweitzer-Hopkins (via phone) and Andrea Vohs. Also present were Administrators Patrick Sturzl, Carrie Wessman and Laurie Leaf.

The board meeting was called to order at 6:32 p.m. by Board President Andrew Anderson.

A Golat/Robers motion to approve the August 9, 2021 Regular School Board meeting minutes carried.

The financial report with revenues of \$1,006,482.64 and expenditures of \$531,029.78 were reviewed and filed for audit.

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

One visitor addressed the Board. Kyle Craemer spoke to the board about community interest in our school's curriculum.

Mr. Sturzl presented the school's new website which is still being developed but will be ready to launch the end of November.

A Golat/Kemnitz motion to hire Andy Hopkins for the Night Custodial/Maintenance Position carried.

A Vohs/Kempen motion to hire Stephanie Wester as a Part-Time Aide carried.

A Vohs/Kemnitz motion to hire Penny Ducommun as a Part-Time Aide carried.

A Robers/Golat motion to hire Deb Bartels for the Health Services Assistant Position carried.

A Robers/Kemnitz motion to hire Whitney Trott as a High School Assistant Boys Basketball Coach carried.

A Kemnitz/Vohs motion to hire Andy Antczak for the Cook Helper Position carried

A Golat/Robers motion to approve the FFA trip to Indianapolis for the FFA National Convention carried.

A Vohs/Golat motion to sell a used School Bus for a minimum of \$2000 carried.

The October Regular Board Meeting will be held October 11th, 2021 at the Exeland Rod and Gun Club.

Elementary Principal's Report- Carrie Wessman

- Team teaching Professional Development with Kristin Gundry was very valuable on August 18. Many ideas/strategies were presented along with resources to help teachers implement.
- AGR (Achievement Gap Reduction) contract was approved for the next 5 years for grades K-3.
- First grade went to Ferguson's Apple Orchard on September 10. It was a beautiful day and enjoyable for all who went.
- PreK going to Niblett's Apple Orchard on September 16.
- First early release for the school year next Thursday, September 23.
- Fall assessment window for Elementary will begin next week and go through October 20.

Middle & High School Principal's Report – Laurie Leaf

- Team teaching training was in August. Staff received training on what it looks like. The staff then discussed how it will look in each classroom and when they can have planning time.
- Mr. Kahl and Ms. Anderson went to training on Youth Apprenticeship and Carl Perkins last week. We are really hoping to increase our YA students.
- Leadership meeting tomorrow
- Talking with Alison Henson about a grant with milk called DFA Fuel Their Drive
- The 6th grade is taking their field trip to Trails End on Friday

District Administrator's Report – Patrick Sturzl

- Friday is the official count day. I will update you on Friday with our preliminary results. The count last week was down one student compared to last year.
- Student active cases are at 7 with 1 recovered. Staff active cases are at 2 with 1 recovered.
- The State Superintendents Conference this year is September 22nd – 24th in Madison. I will see how things are going before I commit.
- We have a foreign exchange student here this fall. A student from Mexico, Julia Zazueta Gutierrez.
- October 11th is our next meeting and I will present the budget to the board.
- The annual meeting is October 25th.

A Robers/Kempen motion to approve the administrative reports carried.

A Robers motion to convene to closed session per statute 19.85 (1)(c)(f) carried at 7:11 p.m. by unanimous roll call.

A Kemnitz/ Schweitzer-Hopkins motion to return to Open Session at 8:34 p.m. carried.

A Kempen/Golat motion to approve the Athletic Director Contract for Doug Schmitz as discussed carried.

A Golat/Robers motion to adjourn at 8:36 p.m. carried.

Submitted by,



Andrea Vohs (Clerk)

Approved October 11, 2021