Minutes

Regular School Board Meeting April 7th, 2025 5:30 P.M.

A regular meeting of the School Board of the School District of Bruce was held on April 7th, 2025 in the Bruce High School IMC. School Board President Roxanne Kemmitz read a statement of proper noticing of the meeting. Members present were Craig Chafer, Steve Golat, Roxanne Kemmitz, Brittany Leer, Daniel Robers and Andrea Vohs. Also present were Administrators Brad Cody, Jeff Walsh and Carrie Wessman.

The board meeting was called to order at 5:31 p.m. by Board President Roxanne Kemmitz.

A Robers/Vohs motion to approve the meeting agenda carried.

A Golat/Robers motion to approve Vouchers and Payroll carried.

A Robers/Golat motion to approve the March 12th, 2025 Regular Board meeting minutes carried.

Administrator Reports:

District Administrator Report

- 1. Next Steps after passing the referendums:
 - Thank community with commitment to show the value promised with the work soon to be underway.
 - Newspaper
 - Website
 - Backpack stuffer
 - Contracts underway
 - Executive Design Committee
 - This group makes final decisions on what the stakeholder groups request.
 - Goal follow through on promises via the referendum and also to stay on budget
 - Stake holder groups
 - Cap required maintenance
 - o CTE
 - Science
 - o Business
 - Safety/Security
 - Site work
 - o Other
 - Design Kick Off Meeting
 - Bond sale work starts now with Baird
 - Talk to bond counsel

Elementary Principal's Report

- 1. All 21 students that registered for 4K Raider Round Up attended on March 14.
- 2. The School Improvement Leadership Team met on March 17th to review current goals and begin planning for transitioning to next year.
- 3. The Book Fair on March 27th was a huge success. There were over 100 sales on the night of the Book Fair and the total amount for sales was \$7,082.56. The school will receive \$3,541.28 back from items purchased and an additional \$200.00 for the original set up work which they can spend from the Scholastic catalogue. A huge thank you to Connie Gudis and Deb Witkiewicz for all of their work to make this event a huge success. Thank you to Chassity Johnson for also helping on the night of the Book Fair.
- 4. Jump River presented on electrical safety to the first and third graders on

April 1.

- 5. Third quarter Performance reports were sent home on April 3.
- 6. The new character trait of patience was presented at the Elementary Assembly on April 7.
- 7. The Spring window for Aims testing is now open. The data from this assessment for K-3 will be used in continuing on with Act 20 legislation and personal reading plans. We will be working on how to implement the reading plans through the summer.

Middle School/High School Principal's Report

- 1. Exciting news from the Juniors that took the ACT, class average last year was 16 while this year it is 20. Nice job juniors and staff on helping them prepare. For their success they will be treated to a movie in Ladysmith on the 18th.
- 2. Ms. Nohr and Mr. Manosky took the SkillsUSA team to the state competition, Katie Holman, Krysta Knop, Lucas Knop, and Grace Chafer in welding.
- 3. Ms. Butterfield took a group of students to Regional CDE (Career Development Education) last weekend. Our Milk Quality team took 3rd place, team members included Eva Potter, Nella Potter, Heather Schweigert and Tiffany Schweigert.
- 4. Our FBLA state participants, Kimberly Schweigert and Kaidnyce Reetz participated in Green Bay and placed 8th. Nice job girls. Thank you Ms. Anderson for setting this up and Ms. Deitelhoff for chaperoning the trip.
- 5. Boys and girls track season started and the teams have already participated in two indoor meets. There are about 12-14 girls and around 10 boys. Middle school starts today with 36-38 sign-up.
- 6. There will be no softball team this season as there were not enough girls to fill out a team and the baseball team has their first game tomorrow at Clear Lake, there are 10 boys on the team.
- 7. Middle school wrestling competed at the conference meet last Saturday and Caleb Wester placed 2nd, William McDaniel 3rd and Carl Meinke 4th and Cole Reil also placed 4th. Thanks coach Paul Wester for the season.
- 8. Congratulations to the middle school band
- 9. Lakeland Conference Scholar Athlete banquet will be at Unity High School on Wednesday, April 17th, 7:00 PM. Athletes chosen are Zoey Kemmitz and Levi Nyhagen. Mr. Keeble and Ronda Osuldsen were chosen as their representatives. Mr. Cody will also attend.
- 10. The senior class will be taking their senior trip this Wednesday to Action City and the Banquet will be May 7th at JS Supper Club. Ms. Sutten and Mr. Keeble are advisors.
- 11. Mr. Vollendorf is taking the Math team to UW Superior for a math quiz this Wednesday the 9th.

Visitors to address the Board: Whitney Trott was present and spoke on behalf of the Booster Club. She thanked school staff for being so helpful. Whitney also updated the Board about events the Booster Club will be coordinating like the Golf Scramble and the Christmas Gift Shop. The Booster Club would like to host a speaker from 3Dimensional Coaching for our coaching staff.

A Robers/Vohs motion to accept the retirement of Gary Hecimovich from his positions as Music Teacher, Band Director and Varsity Volleyball Coach carried.

A Vohs/Leer motion to accept the resignation of Paul Manosky from his Tech Ed Position carried.

A Golat/Leer motion to transfer Bethany Cooley to an Interventionalist position carried.

A Robers/Vohs motion to hire Jenna Thorgerson as Kindergarten Teacher for the 2025/2026 school year carried.

Hiring of an Elementary Principal was tabled.

A Vohs/Leer motion to hire Cloe Skogstad as part time Paraprofessional carried.

A Golat/Vohs motion to hire Karlie Kopras for Head Volleyball Coach, Karleigh Olson as Assistant High School Volleyball Coach, Natalie Krezinski and Maddy Clark as Middle School Volleyball Coaches, Adam Malinowki as Head Varsity Football Coach and Megan Thompson as Middle School Assistant Track Coach carried.

A Leer/Golat motion to appoint Andrea Vohs to the open School Board seat for a one-year term carried.

A Robers/Vohs motion to contract CESA 10 for the 2025/2026 School Year for accounting and payroll services carried.

A Robers motion to convene to closed session per statute 19.85 (1)(c)(e)(f) carried at 7:24 p.m. by unanimous roll call.

A Robers motion to return to open session per statute 19.85 (1)(c)(e)(f) carried at 8:01 p.m. by unanimous roll call.

A Robers/Leer motion to compensate a staff member as discussed in closed session carried.

A Golat/Robers motion to adjourn at 8:05 pm carried.

Submitted by,

Andrea Vohs (Clerk)
Approved May 12th, 2025