

**Minutes of the Banner County School District  
Board of Education Meeting  
Monday, February 8, 2021**

Notice of the meeting was published at the entrance to the school, the Banner County Court House, the Harrisburg Post Office, Banner Capital Bank, in the Western Nebraska Observer, and on the school website. The Zoom link is: <https://zoom.us/j/96942582146>

**Call to Order**

The regular January meeting of the Banner County School District Board of Education was called to order at 7 PM in the School Cafeteria, 200 School Street, Harrisburg, Nebraska.  
The Nebraska Open Meetings Act was posted on the wall.

**Roll Call/Welcome**

Present: Megan Allen, Laura Baker, Ronald Johnson, Bret Jeffries, Jake Knaub, and Douglas Olsen.

Also present: Evelyn Browne, Superintendent/BOE Secretary and Principal Charles Jones.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

President Ron Johnson invited attendees to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Approval of Agenda**

Approve agenda for the February 8th, 2021 Banner County Board of Education Regular meeting.  
Passed with a motion by Douglas Olsen and a second by Bret Jeffries.

Ms Megan Allen: Yea, Mrs Laura Baker: Yea, Bret Jeffries: Yea, Ronald Johnson: Yea, Jake Knaub: Yea, Douglas Olsen: Yea

**Awards and Recognition**

President Johnson commended the following students, staff, and patrons:

-Spelling Bee winners: Gabriel Teeple, 1st Place; Isaac Olsen, 2nd Place.

-Students of the Month for January: Aili Cooper (1), Wyatt Onstott (10), David Selves (11).

-FFA Students: Welding Team placed 4th and qualified to compete at the state level.

Joe Cross (TIG welding), Alex Rundell (placed 3rd overall in Arc welding), Macee McConkey (MIG welding), Maddison Hill (Oxy-Acetylene welding).

Floriculture Team placed 1<sup>st</sup>: Lily Teeple (3rd overall), Kathryn Blankenship, Makyla Mason, Aubrey Clement

Ag Mechanics Team placed 4th and earned the right to compete at the state competition.

Alex Rundell (3rd in small engines), Lily Teeple (3rd in hydraulics), Joe Cross (5th in Electricity), Maddison Hill (Machinery systems).

-Mat Cats Wrestling club for their outstanding care of the wrestling facility. They have done a phenomenal job of cleaning & sanitizing the mats and facility, as well as general upkeep, cleaning, trash removal, etc. It is so much appreciated and I think they should be commended for their work, and providing a great environment and opportunity for not only their participants but for everyone that uses the old gym.

-Wyatt Reichenberg - qualified for District Wrestling

### **Presentations**

- Dr. Browne presented certificates and read student "bios" for the January Students of the Month.
- Hadassah Grubbs presented information on the Class of 2021 Educational Trip

### **Comments from the Audience**

There was no public comment.

### **Reports**

*Superintendent*

#### **COVID-19**

- No news yet on educators' vaccinations. PPHD encouraging staff members to register on the site.
- No new positives in school.
- Back to Orange on the Dial.

#### **Facilities & Transportation**

-Independent Plumbing is working with Siemens to connect new heater exchange with Siemens controls. Quote on tonight's agenda.

#### **Student Programs & Enrollment**

- Current 2020-2021 Enrollment - 147      PK = 12; K-5= 70; 6-8= 27; 9-12=38
- Option IN: 53      Option OUT: 22
- The Annual Report will be mailed to patrons with the next Scratching Post.

#### **Personnel**

- Legislative Update from NASB (attached). Bills to watch:  
LB 651-Provide a termination date for option enrollment (July 1, 2022)  
LB 146-Define/redefine terms related to school retirement: Shortens period for retired teachers' ability to substitute  
Multiple unfunded mandates and curriculum requirements
- Dr. Browne will attend KSB Law webinar on Special Education Feb. 9.

*Principal*

1. Winter NWEA Testing has been completed.
2. I attended a Title III ESL Zoom Meeting on January 18.
3. The spelling bee was held on January 28. Gabriel Teeple 1st and Isaac Olsen 2nd.
4. Students attended the FFA CDE Competition on February 3.
5. JH Basketball will conclude this week with the MAC Tournament.
6. HS Girls Basketball has concluded with them playing 9 games.
7. HS Boys Basketball will conclude on the 19th. Boys will play 12 games.
8. HS Wrestling Sub Districts were on February 5. The top 4 in each weight class move to Districts on February 12.

### *Board of Education*

BOE members held Winter Retreat on Feb 6.

Two policies were reviewed: 1005.01 Public Complaints, 1005.08 Public Conduct on School Premises

### **Committee Reports**

Transportation and Grounds: No report

American Civics, Curriculum, and Technology: No report. Set date for Spring meeting.

Policy Review: No report

Personnel and Negotiations: No report.

### **Consent Agenda**

Motion to approve the consent agenda. Passed with a motion by Bret Jeffries and a second by Douglas Olsen.

Ms Megan Allen: Yea, Mrs Laura Baker: Yea, Bret Jeffries: Yea, Ronald Johnson: Yea, Jake Knaub: Yea, Douglas Olsen: Yea

-Approve the Minutes of the January 11th, 2021 regular meeting.

-Approve the payment of bills and salaries totaling \$294,066.03 for the February 8th, 2021 regular meeting

-Approve NASB Membership

### **Approve 2021-2022 School Calendar**

Adopt the 2021-2022 school calendar as presented, with school beginning for students on August 16, 2021, and school ending for students on May 19, 2022. Passed with a motion by Bret Jeffries and a second by Douglas Olsen.

Megan Allen: Nay, Laura Baker: Yea, Bret Jeffries: Yea, Ronald Johnson: Yea, Jake Knaub: Yea, Douglas Olsen: Yea

### **Approve Class of 2021 Educational Trip**

Grant the Class of 2021 release time and use of school vehicles from March 14 & 15, 2021, for the purpose of an educational trip to Cheyenne, Wyoming, with the Class of 2021 as a group or individually financing all costs associated with such a trip, Passed with a motion by Bret Jeffries and a second by Laura Baker.

Megan Allen: Yea, Laura Baker: Yea, Bret Jeffries: Yea, Ronald Johnson: Yea, Jake Knaub: Yea, Douglas Olsen: Yea

### **Approve installation of Siemens controls for heater exchange unit**

Approve Siemens installation by Independent Plumbing and Heating for \$8250. Passed with a motion by Douglas Olsen and a second by Bret Jeffries.

Megan Allen: Yea, Laura Baker: Yea, Bret Jeffries: Yea, Ronald Johnson: Yea, Jake Knaub: Yea, Douglas Olsen: Yea

## **Next Meeting**

Regular meeting: March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 7:00PM

## **Meeting Adjourned**

Adjourn the meeting at 7:47PM. Passed with a motion by Bret Jeffries and a second by Jake Knaub. Megan Allen: Yea, Laura Baker: Yea, Bret Jeffries: Yea, Ronald Johnson: Yea, Jake Knaub: Yea, Douglas Olsen: Yea

## **Banner County School Schedule of Bills/Claims**

Cash-Wa Distributing Cleaning Supplies \$494.06; Connecting Point Copies \$370.74; DAS State Accounting Network Service Charges \$232.49; Educational Service Unit #13 Services \$9,255.21; Floyd's Bus #4 Repairs \$198.50; Frank Parts Parts & Supplies \$198.26; Frenchman Valley Coop Gas & Diesel \$2,927.97; Frenchman Valley Coop Propane \$1,300.13; Banner County School Account Reimbursement \$693.64; GreatAmerica Leasing Corp Copier Leases \$250.00; Harrisburg Water System Water Usage \$558.87; HCI Cleaning Products, LLC Supplies \$160.00; High West Energy Electricity Usage \$3,469.34; HOME DEPOT CREDIT SERVICES Supplies \$292.03; Home Depot Pro Supplies \$372.59; Hullinger Glass & Locks Gym Doors \$3,450.00; Jennie Hullinger Interpretation Fees & Mileage \$306.00; Juice Plus Co LLC Supplies \$120.00; KSB School Law PC LLO Legal Services \$96.00; MCI Long Distance Phone Service \$76.20; Menards Supplies \$228.82; NASB Conference Fees & Supplies \$616.00; NASB Annual Membership Dues \$3,197.00; Thomas M Neal Labor & Supplies \$395.00; Nebraska/Central Equipment Parts \$151.55; NKC Tire New Tires & Repairs \$584.89; NSASSP Region V Regional Dues \$60.00; Pack Rat Enterprises, Inc Trash Removal \$340.00; Panhandle Cooperative Assoc Supplies \$34.41; Quick Care Medical Services Bus Driver Physicals \$250.00; Quill.com Supplies \$332.99; Rauner & Associates Audit & NSRS Testing \$10,162.00; Really Good Stuff, Inc Supplies \$46.55; School Specialty, Inc. Supplies \$51.30; Snell Services, Inc Water Lines & Drain \$1,399.81; Soar Pediatric Therapy LLC December PT Services \$775.71; Sparqdata Solutions Annual Subscription Fees \$3,200.00; Staples Credit Plan Supplies \$321.71; Walmart Supplies \$45.28; Tod Wenger CDL Renewal \$60.90; WESTCO DEF \$135.35; Western Nebraska Observer Legal Notices & Ads \$160.84; Wells Fargo Card Services Supplies \$111.92; Wells Fargo Card Services Time Clock System & Supplies \$1,346.95; 125 Clearing Account February 2021 Payroll \$1,470.00; AFLAC February 2021 Payroll \$430.76; Amer Fam Life Assurance Co February 2021 Payroll \$1,146.89; Banner County Bank February 2021 Payroll \$37,905.98; Banner Capital Bank February 2021 Payroll \$4,033.82; Banner County School February 2021 Payroll \$2,180.00; Banner County School February 2021 Payroll \$27.39; Blue Cross & Blue Shield Ne February 2021 Payroll \$39,792.70; Colonial Life February 2021 Payroll \$40.54; Banner County School February 2021 Payroll \$32,853.53; Horace Mann Insurance Company February 2021 Payroll \$396.85; LegalShield February 2021 Payroll \$222.25; MG Trust Company February 2021 Payroll \$5,496.66; State of Nebraska February 2021 Payroll \$5,806.76; Principal Life Insurance Company February 2021 Payroll \$692.42; VSP February 2021 Payroll \$338.42; VSP February 2021 Payroll \$100.07; VSP February 2021 Payroll \$16.65; VSP February 2021 Payroll \$100.79; February 2021 Payroll \$112,182.54