

**Minutes of the Banner County School District
Board of Education Meeting
Monday, October 8, 2018**

Notice of the Monday, October 8, 2018, Board of Education Regular Meeting was posted at Harrisburg U.S. Post Office, Banner Capital Bank, Banner County Courthouse, and Banner County School.

Call to Order

Board Vice-President Ron Johnson called the regular meeting of the Banner County School BOE to order at 7:00 PM and stated that the Nebraska Open Meetings Act is posted on the wall.

Roll Call/Welcome

Excuse BOE member Charity May from the October 8th, 2018, meeting of the Banner County BOE. Passed with a motion by Douglas Olsen and a second by Barbara Cross.

Witni Boettcher: Yea, Barbara Cross: Yea, Ron Johnson: Yea, Grant Lerwick: Yea, Douglas Olsen: Yea

Vice-President Ron Johnson stated the following: Welcome guests. Does anyone in the audience wish to address an item on the agenda? Visitors will be required to identify themselves if they speak at this meeting. A time limit of five minutes per speaker will be allowed. Not more than a total of twenty minutes will be allowed for the presentation of any specific topic, as per BOE Regulation 204.12R1. Does anyone need special accommodations to hear the proceedings? I want to remind you that the board meeting is a business meeting open to the public but it is not a public meeting. No guests addressed the BOE.

Motion passed: Approve the minutes of the Banner County BOE budget hearing, special hearing to set final tax request, and regular meeting dated September 10, 2018, with the correct bills and salary total of \$368,718.47 and the payment of bills totaling \$274,037.76 and financial statements as presented including a payment of \$78,202.00 from the Depreciation Fund to Nebraska Central Equipment for the purchase of 2019 Bluebird 47 seat bus for the October 8, 2018, regular meeting of the BOE. Passed with a motion by Witni Boettcher and a second by Grant Lerwick.

Witni Boettcher: Yea, Barbara Cross: Yea, Ron Johnson: Yea, Grant Lerwick: Yea, Douglas Olsen: Yea

Awards and Recognitions: Ron Johnson commended the students, staff, and patrons for the following:

- Many thanks for the organization and promotion of this year's Homecoming: Jessica Stauffer, Jessica Orpin, Witni Boettcher, Kari Gifford, Vicki & Curtis Grubbs, Sandy Wounded Arrow and band members, Sheriff McKnight, Monty Stoddard, & Kenny Hessler,
- FFA Team members Helen Hein, Alex Rundell, Luke Lindberg, Patrick Miller, Joe Cross, Courtney Rundell, Chase Riedel, & Deven Sullivan placed 5th overall in the Range Judging in Morrill County on Sept. 12th. Individual places were Chase Riedel 13th, Deven Sullivan 15th, and Alex Rundell was 10th in the Jr. Division!
- FFA Team members placed 8th & 15th out of 23 teams at the FFA District Land Judging at Box Butte County on October 3rd. Individual places were Deven 11th, Alex 13th, Chase 19th, Luke 29th, and Helen 36th out of 82 students!
- Holden Lerwick, Riley Jones, Jacob Parsons, and Wyatt Onstott attended the 2018 Nebraska Digital Citizenship Symposium in Scottsbluff.
- The North Platte Natural Resources District donated and delivered 10 trees to be planted on Banner County School grounds. Seven were planted and 3 were donated to the community.
- Kari Gifford was invited by the NDE to join the standards writing team for Economics. These standards create the framework for teaching and learning for K-12 Social Studies.

Presentations from Students and Staff: Students who attended the 2018 Digital Citizenship Symposium. Plant Science students presented information on Tower Gardens and grant opportunities

Committee Reports

Transportation and Grounds: The 47 passenger Blue Bird bus arrived Sept. 26th. Quote requests to replace the 2008 Chevy Impala were sent out to 5 local Chevrolet dealers.

Personnel and Negotiations: First meeting for 2019-2020 negotiations meeting set for Oct. 18th at 5pm

Americanism, Curriculum, and Technology: Nebraska Statute 79-724 includes certain requirements such as the singing of patriotic songs, the development of reverence for the flag and instruction as to proper conduct in its presentation, and appropriate patriotic exercises suitable to occasions such as Veterans Day. This year's Veterans Day program includes all of these elements, and will take place on Monday, Nov. 12th in the gym.

Motion passed: Approve March, 2020 Close Up Washington, D.C. trip, including student participants and Mrs. Hilbert as sponsor, release time and use of school vehicles, if available, to the Denver Airport, with the participants as a group or individually financing all costs associated with such a trip. Passed with a motion by Grant Lerwick and a second by Douglas Olsen.

Wittni Boettcher: Yea, Barbara Cross: Yea, Ron Johnson: Yea, Grant Lerwick: Yea, Douglas Olsen: Yea

Motion passed: Approve purchasing three Clear Touch 65" interactive computer screens with mobile units and internal computer functionality and set-up from Engaging Technologies for \$20,228.85. Passed with a motion by Douglas Olsen and a second by Wittni Boettcher.

Wittni Boettcher: Yea, Barbara Cross: Yea, Ron Johnson: Yea, Grant Lerwick: Yea, Douglas Olsen: Yea

Motion passed: Declare 8 blue student desks, 4 computer carts, 3 office chairs, 1 magazine rack, and 3 18"x 5' wood tables that are no longer used as surplus or obsolete. Passed with a motion by Grant Lerwick and a second by Wittni Boettcher.

Wittni Boettcher: Yea, Barbara Cross: Yea, Ron Johnson: Yea, Grant Lerwick: Yea, Douglas Olsen: Yea

Reports

Superintendent

-We received positive feedback from some parents who attended Back to School Night on Sept. 13th. For our first time using this format, it was clear that providing another opportunity for communicating with parents about BCS programs is a step in the right direction.

-The 2nd issue of the Scratching Post was mailed out last week. We have a couple of regular \$3 lunch customers in response to our advertising, and the turn-out for the Homecoming Soup Supper can also be attributed to the newsletter, based on comments from community members. Met with County Commissioner Bob Post to discuss more frequent collaboration with BCS.

-Approximately 150 adults and children attended the Soup Supper. Many thanks to the teachers who contributed ingredients for the soup and chili, donations of sides and desserts from the community, and the kitchen and office staff who helped cook and serve. Thank you notes went out to community members who volunteered.

-Over \$400 was raised in "Dollars for Drew" donations. A 50/50 raffle will take place during the Volleyball Tournament on Oct. 6th. Proceeds from both efforts will be presented to the family from BCS after the tournament.

- Supt. Browne will attend School Safety Summit in Kearney on Oct 16 & 17; and the Facilities and Construction Workshop Oct. 30th.

-There are 12 students participating in the Volleyball Showdown and four league teams signed up for Sundays!

-KDK Meats Schedule: December 20, 2018-Process a beef; January 17, 2018 – Process a hog; March 7, 2108 – Process a beef

-Staff Christmas dinner scheduled for December 6th at the Flight Deck.

Principal

Principal Jones reported the following:

-Priscilla Stauffer and Rebecca Wenger attended the Math and Science Conference in Kearney on September 20-21.

-Melisa Noonan and Kristen Smith attended the New Teacher Cadre at the Harms Center on September 25.

-Holden Lerwick, Riley Jones, Jacob Parsons, Wyatt Onstott, and I attended the Digital Citizenship Symposium on September 25 at ESU 13.

-Lori Biesecker Technology Specialist from ESU 13 came out on September 26 to present to students about the Makey Makey's that are being used in our incentive room for Wildcat Pride Hour.

-Chris Cooper and Charles Jones attended the PLACES Meeting at the Harms Center on October 1.

-Kari Gifford is a part of the social sciences standards writing committee. She met in Lincoln on October 2-3 to begin the drafting of the new standards.

-Parent Teacher Conferences were on October 4 and they were well attended.

-We hosted the MAC Junior High Volleyball Tournament on October 6. Principal Jones thanked everyone who helped

to make the day and tournament run smoothly.

-Fall sports are winding down, the last junior high volleyball and football games will be Wednesday. Cross Country Districts will be Thursday with State Cross Country on Friday October 19. High School football has two games remaining.

-The Veterans Day Program will be held on Monday November 12. The Veterans Breakfast will be at 8:00 with the program starting at 9:00. We will have a speaker, performances by our students, and we are working on having a color guard come out to present about the folds of the flag.

Board of Education

-Witni Boettcher, Ron Johnson, and Evelyn Browne are registered for the November 14-16, 2018, NASB State Education Conference in LaVista. Ron Johnson will be Banner County School delegate at the meeting.

-The BOE reviewed the following policies:

707.03 Expense Authorization and Reimbursement

710.00 Disposition of School Property

-Vice-president Ron Johnson appointed Douglas Olsen to serve on the Negotiations committee.

-Adoption of Board of Education Goals. Following discussion, a motion to adopt the following goals for 2018-2019 was put forward:

Educational Leadership. Provide a positive learning environment establishing high moral and educational values necessary for student success in professional endeavors and future education. Increase reading comprehension through multiple strategies across K-12 curriculum. Communicate and promote to parents and students expanded curriculum opportunities. Possess a vision of good instruction and commit to professional development of educators and staff

Budget Management/Facilities Leadership. Create a facilities plan to identify improvement and expansion needs for aging facilities. Develop a comprehensive and forward-looking plan for the retirement and acquisition of district vehicles. Provide budget consistency and demonstrate fiscal responsibility while assessing budget needs.

Communications Leadership. Develop a communications plan to convey school district information to all stakeholders to reduce the sharing of false information. Establish a chain of command for parents and staff to foster and improve communications in the district. Foster a collaborative environment while providing strong leadership to deliver a final decision in the best interest of the students.

District Climate Leadership. Formulate a plan to maintain and grow enrollment numbers including a strategy to retain and recruit quality option students. Encourage and grow parent, community and student involvement and interest in the district. Develop a good relationship and consistent communication with the board of education. Retain and recruit quality staff including educators and support staff. Be visibly and actively engaged in activities and events. Provide proactive and positive leadership for staff and students to improve morale.

Motion passed: Adopt the 2018-2019 Board of Education Goals. Passed with a motion by Witni Boettcher and a second by Grant Lerwick.

Witni Boettcher: Yea, Barbara Cross: Yea, Ron Johnson: Yea, Grant Lerwick: Yea, Douglas Olsen: Yea

Next Meeting: A Work Session to complete the superintendent evaluation, October 23rd at 7:00PM. Regular Meeting: November 12, 2018, 7:00 PM

Motion passed: Adjourn the meeting at 8:58 PM. Passed with a motion by Witni Boettcher and a second by Grant Lerwick.

Witni Boettcher: Yea, Barbara Cross: Nay, Ron Johnson: Yea, Grant Lerwick: Yea, Douglas Olsen: Yea

Banner County School Schedule of Bills/Claims

4Imprint, Inc. Nylon Lanyards \$403.13; Anderson Builders Inc Replacement Windows \$7,060.00; Bluffs Sanitary Supply, Inc. Cleaning Supplies \$367.80; CCS Presentation Systems Software \$109.00; CDW Government, Inc. Printer \$163.51; Chadron State College Registration Mens Choir Day \$45.00; Comfort Inn Conference Lodging \$104.95; Connecting Point Copies \$381.30; DAS State Accounting Network

Service Charges \$229.49; Educational Service Unit #13 Services \$11,069.97; Frank Parts Parts \$164.60; Banner County School Account Reimbursement \$1,321.30; GreatAmerica Leasing Corp Copier Leases \$265.00; Harrisburg Water System Water Usage \$522.90; High West Energy Electricity \$4,257.34; HOME DEPOT Supplies \$546.34; Ideal Linen Supply Cleaning Supplies \$1,402.58; Johnson Hardware Company Door Core \$62.04; Kimball Public Schools JH Quiz Bowl Entry Fees \$50.00; KSB School Law PC LLO Legal Services \$124.00; LaQuinta Inn Conference Lodging \$93.95; Mid-American Research Chemical Supplies \$216.00; MCI Long Distance Phone Service \$69.90; Menards Supplies \$76.83; Midamerica Books HS Library Books \$103.80; Motor Fuels Division 3rd Qtr Tax \$442.00; National Geographic Bee Registration Fee \$120.00; Thomas M Neal Repairs \$280.00; Nebraskaland Tire-Truck Center Tires \$1,547.18; Pack Rat Enterprises, Inc Trash Removal \$340.00; Panhandle Cooperative Assoc Gas for Mowers \$854.61; Panhandle Cooperative Association Gas & Diesel \$3,917.11; Rose Marie Parker Travel & Supplies Reimb \$53.34; Peetz Farmers Coop Propane \$3,168.67; Sandberg Implement, Inc. Parts \$448.19; Scholastic Inc Supplies \$921.59; WESTCO Supplies \$244.55; Staples Credit Plan Misc Items \$338.08; Star-Herald Legal Notices & Ads \$155.75; Thompson Glass, Inc. Glass Replacement \$38.18; Walmart Supplies \$28.58; Wells Fargo Card Services Misc Items \$353.10; Wells Fargo Card Services Sound System & Travel \$315.77; Wells Fargo Card Services Travel Expenses \$104.25; WTT Vehicle Expense \$10.00; 125 Clearing Account Payroll for October 2018 \$1,300.01; AFLAC Payroll for October 2018 \$573.14; Amer Fam Life Assurance Co Payroll for October 2018 \$858.18; Banner County Bank Payroll for October 2018 \$36,009.72; Banner Capital Bank Payroll for October 2018 \$3,331.86; Banner County School Payroll for October 2018 \$2,080.00; Blue Cross & Blue Shield Ne Payroll for October 2018 \$37,391.50; Colonial Life Payroll for October 2018 \$185.04; Banner County School Payroll for October 2018 \$31,023.43; Horace Mann Insurance Company Payroll for October 2018 \$401.11; LegalShield Payroll for October 2018 \$323.90; MG Trust Company Payroll for October 2018 \$2,620.00; State of Nebraska Payroll for October 2018 \$5,425.37; PLIC Payroll for October 2018 \$648.62; US Department of Education Payroll for October 2018 \$194.68; Vision Service Plan Payroll for October 2018 \$351.57; Vision Service Plan Payroll for October 2018 \$62.75; Payroll for October 2018 \$108,365.20