

Unofficial Abbreviated School Board Minutes
Powers Lake Public School District #27 – Tuesday, July 14, 2026
5:00 pm – Science Room – Powers Lake, North Dakota

President Bullinger called the meeting to order at 5:01 pm with Vice President Grote and Directors Breeding, Schroeder, and Helseth present. Superintendent Kranz, Business Manager Johnson, Transportation Director Dosch, and Athletic Director Christenson were also present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Visitors Present: New board members to be seated – Bryan Moberg & Derek Hockenbary

Additions to the Agenda: Approval of First Dakota Enterprises construction bill payment authorization and Contract Approvals. Added to Unfinished Business to be included in the 2025 – 2026 meeting. Motion to approve the agenda made by Breeding, seconded by Schroeder, motion carried.

Minutes of the previous meetings held on June 9, 2026, and June 22, 2026, were reviewed via email by the Board members. Motion to approve the meeting minutes for June 9th and June 22nd made by Helseth, seconded by Grote; the motion carried.

Business Manager's Report: Financial reports were made available to board members to review via email before the meeting. Presented documents were discussed.

June Bills: All American Trophies 73.50, Bismarck Hotel 5610.00, K. Brown 25.00, J. Bullinger 111.00, Burke County Tribune 195.88, J. Carlson 57.00, CREA 3400.00, D. Christensen 100.00, M. Christenson 254.00, City of Powers Lake 467.50, The Country Store 1180.17, Culligan 30.00, B. Douts 100.00, EduTech 20.00, E. Enget 36.50, Farmers Union Oil Kenmare 6764.36, A. Fiesel 56.00, Food Barn 610.00, S. Fredrickson 50.00, G & P Sales 509.96, S. Kranz 356.45, Harlows 42.67, Horace Mann Auto 950.00, ND Info Tech Dept 205.00, J. Jacobs 342.99, P. Jensen 100.00, John's Sand & Gravel 1070.00, S. Johnson 50.00, Jorgenson Lumber 23.20, T. Jorgenson 930.13, JP Morgan 18329.77, Lazel Inc 2538.00, B. Letch 24.00, Liberty State Bank 14.59, K. MacDonald 200.00, Marco 3261.50, McGraw Hill 3165.35, MDU 5940.52, NDSBA Legal Direct 780.00, A. Nordloef 25.00, I. Nordloef 30.00, Northern Plains Special Ed Unit 7056.85, NCC 429.38, Northwest Tire 4233.53, Ole & Lena's Pizzeria 8967.53, A. Parslow 154.00, Pearce Durick 71.25, Powers Lake School 14485.30, Prairie Pride Foods 217.38, Ray Flyers 250.00, J. Rosin 585.00, Rudolph Electric 300.00, C. Rystedt 75.00, Spaces Inc 32486.00, Steins 78.52, B. Streifel 230.00, SYSCO 2323.01, Thistle Grove 512.50, TMS 303.60, USPS 162.00, Watterud Counseling 480.00, WERC 2225.00, C. Westernness 100.00, WEX 20.00, S. Wisthoff 585.58

Grote motioned to accept all financial reports and approve the payment of the accounts payable bills presented, seconded by Helseth. The motion passed.

Board Report: President Bullinger reported on recent construction meeting updates – disposal of contaminated soil, load-bearing wall demo, and any other concerns were discussed.

Superintendent Report: Superintendent Kranz reported on current financials, gave building, maintenance, and construction updates, reported that bus inspections have been completed, meetings attended were listed in the report, gave updates on Infinite Campus, reported on new hires as well as upcoming information regarding summer events and the 2026 – 2027 school year. Grants received and upcoming applications were listed in the report.

Transportation Director Report: Mr. Dosch reported on bus inspection findings and working on getting routes finalized for 2026 – 2027.

Unfinished Business:

Longevity Stipend – No further discussion.

Additions to the Agenda:

- a. Approval of payment of First Dakota Enterprises Construction Bill #001 – Motion by Schroeder, seconded by Helseth, motion carried. Board decision for all future payments to be approved at upcoming board meetings.
- b. Contract Approvals – Contracts for Courtney Tweeten 1st Grade \$48,650.00 and Rosalani Lucy CDL Bus Driver were presented to the board. Motion to approve by Helseth, seconded by Breeding, motion carried.

Athletic Director's Report: Mrs. Christenson reported on completing a gym use guidelines document, finalizing coaching contracts, co-ops and meetings, and the cost of referees relative to setting participation and activity admission fees for the 2026 -2027 school year.

2025 – 2026 Board of Education Adjournment

Thank you to Roger Helseth and Jody Schroeder for their years of service to the Powers Lake School Board of Education. Motion to adjourn the final meeting of the 2025 – 2026 Board of Education made by Helseth, seconded by Schroeder, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 5:48 pm.

Business Manager Johnson called the first meeting of the 2026 – 2027 Board of Education to Order. New board members Bryan Moberg (1-year term) and Derek Hockenbary (3-year term) were seated. Galen Grote, having been re-elected, was seated for a new 3-year term.

Nominations for Board President were accepted.

Motion by Breeding to unanimously vote in Jeremy Bullinger as Board President, seconded by Grote, all in favor, motion passed. Meeting was turned over to President Bullinger.

Nominations for Board Vice President were accepted.

Motion by Breeding to unanimously vote in Galen Grote as Board Vice President, seconded by Moberg, all in favor, motion passed.

Shayna Johnson was appointed as Business Manager.

Authorized representatives were appointed for the following:

- a. Federal, State, & Local Programs –
Title I, II, III, IV, V, IX: Sue Kranz
Section 504 Coordinator & Representative: Jill Iverson
ADA Coordinator and any other federal or state programs: Sue Kranz
- b. School Food Services: Shayna Johnson
- c. Northern Plains Special Education Unit: Sue Kranz
- d. NDHSAA: Mona Christenson
- e. Co-Op Board: Jeremy Bullinger-Burke Central & Derek Hockenbary-Outlaws
- f. Homeless & Foster Care Liaison: Seth Wisthoff
- g. English Learner Coordinator: Sue Kranz

Motion to approve the authorized representatives listed in a-g made by Hockenbary, seconded by Grote, motion carried.

Committees –

1. Budget & Personnel: Jeremy Bullinger & Galen Grote
2. Curriculum & Student Affairs: Jon Breeding, Bryan Moberg, and Galen Grote-BASC
3. Facilities & Transportation: Jeremy Bullinger & Derek Hockenbary
Board gave okay for Roger Helseth to continue attending construction meetings for the remainder of the Ag Ed Addition project.
4. Policy: Galen Grote & Bryan Moberg

Motion to approve the committee members as listed made by Moberg, seconded by Breeding, motion carried.

New Business: All pertinent information was emailed to Board members before the meeting to be reviewed.

- A. Approval of Resolution Providing for the Sale of General Obligation Building Fund Bonds, Series 2026A.** Motion to approve made by Grote, seconded by Breeding, roll call vote: Grote, Breeding, Moberg, Hockenbary, Bullinger – all “Aye”, motion carried.
- B. Approval of Resolution Providing for Participation in School Bond Credit Enhancement Program-Bonds.** Motion to approve made by Hockenbary, seconded by Grote, roll call vote: Grote, Breeding, Moberg, Hockenbary, Bullinger – all “Aye”, motion carried.
- C. Approval of Resolution Providing for Participation in School Bond Credit Enhancement Program-Certificates.** Motion to approve made by Breeding, seconded by Moberg, roll call vote: Grote, Breeding, Moberg, Hockenbary, Bullinger – all “Aye”, motion carried.
- D. Approval of Resolution Providing for the Sale of State Aid Certificates of Indebtedness, Series 2026B.** Motion to approve made by Moberg, seconded by Hockenbary, roll call vote: Grote, Breeding, Moberg, Hockenbary, Bullinger – all “Aye”, motion carried.
- E. Set Board Meeting Schedule:** Motion to approve setting the tentative board meeting schedule for the second Monday of the month at 5:00 pm made by Hockenbary, seconded by Grote, motion carried.
- F. Set Board Salary Schedule:** Motion to approve the board salary schedule of \$25.00 per meeting and payment of mileage at the State rate, made by Hockenbary, seconded by Breeding, motion carried.
- G. Designate Official Newspaper:** Motion to designate the Burke County Tribune as the official newspaper by Moberg, seconded by Grote, motion carried.
- H. Designate Official Depository:** Motion to designate Liberty State Bank as the official depository by Hockenbary, seconded by Moberg, motion carried.
- I. Approval of Hot Lunch Program:** Motion to approve the presented prices for breakfast (\$2.00) and lunch (\$3.25) for students, and breakfast (\$2.50) and lunch (\$4.25) for adults, remaining the same as 25-26. Motion by Grote, seconded by Breeding, motion carried.
- J. Activity Participation Fees:** After discussion and review of revenue and expenses relating to the activity accounts, motion to approve the listed activity and participation rates for the 26-27 school year by Grote, seconded by Hockenbary, motion carried. Rates will be as follows. With an increase to adult daily admission, and single adult and couples season passes. Daily Gate Pass: Adult \$8, Student: Grades 1-12 \$4, PreK/K Free
Season Passes: Senior \$50, Adult \$125, Couple \$175, Student(1-5) \$10, Student(6-12) \$20

Student participation fees will remain the same as 25-26 for the 26-27 school year: Elem (5-6) \$10, JH (7-8) \$25, and HS (9-12) \$35.

- K. Approval of Continued District Memberships:** Motion to approve continuing memberships for 26-27 for the following organizations: NDSBA, NDSOS, WERC, BASC, GWN, and WDEA made by Moberg, seconded by Hockenbary, motion carried.
- L. Memorandum of Understanding-CREA:** Motion to approve the service agreement for the Check & Connect program for 26-27 by Hockenbary, seconded by Breeding, motion carried.
- M. ADM Report:** Motion to accept and approve the presented ADM report by Grote, seconded by Moberg, motion carried.
- N. Transportation Report:** Motion to approve the presented transportation report made by Grote, seconded by Hockenbary, motion carried.
- O. 2026-2027 Preliminary Budget:** Annual Budget Report was presented to members by Superintendent Kranz. Discussion took place, and questions were answered. Motion to approve made by Breeding, seconded by Hockenbary, motion carried.
- P. 2026-2027 Certificate of Levy:** Motion to approve the Certificate of Levy as presented made by Grote, seconded by Breeding, motion carried.
- Q. Records Retention & Destruction:** Motion to approve destruction of the listed records for 2012, 2013, 2014, and 2015 according to the methods outlined in policy exhibit ABCD-E, made by Hockenbary, seconded by Moberg, motion carried.
- R. Special Reserve Transfer to General Fund:** Motion to approve the transfer of \$26,000 from the Special Reserve Fund to the General Fund, made by Grote, seconded by Hockenbary, motion carried.
- S. Consolidated Application 26-27:** Motion to approve the presented Title I Consolidated Application for 26-27; goals and intended use of funds were outlined. Motion by Breeding, seconded by Moberg, motion carried.
- T. Cabinets Approval:** Motion to approve payment of Preschool room cabinets installation with the balance remaining for 25-26 Preschool equipment grant funds of \$3,300 and the rest from elementary equipment funds, made by Moberg, seconded by Hockenbary, motion carried.

Discussion Items: Public Comment: Mr. Dosch spoke about the continuation of the Ag. Ed. program.

Special board meeting and construction meeting scheduled for Tuesday, July 21, 2026, at 9:30 am. The next regular board meeting date is set for Tuesday, August 11, 2026, at 5:00 pm in the Science Room.

September board meeting is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, Sept. 16, 2026, at 5:00 pm.

Board Comments: Discussion on the Ag. Ed. program and the need for hiring a teacher for that position for the 2026-2027 school year.

A motion to adjourn the meeting made by Hockenbary, seconded by Breeding, motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:57 pm.