

OFFICIAL MINUTES  
BOWMAN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT #1

The regular meeting of the Bowman County School Board was held on Wednesday July 22nd, 2026, at 5:00pm at the High School Conference Room. Members present: Exiting President Stacy McGee. Board Members, Laura Wallman, Kirsten Stotts, Amy Fischer. Others present: Business Manager Lauren Sense. Incoming Board Members Alicia Hess, Megan Brown, Samantha Hagadone, Thomas Burke.

Guests present: Jodi Frier, Mia Stafford

1. Call to Order: President Stacy McGee called meeting to order @ 5:18pm
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Agenda:** McGee noted that we needed to add to the agenda, under new business, Appoint Business Manager as an authorized person for state and federal programs, and Approve the 2026-2027 Consolidated Application with the HS Counselor named as the homeless liaison, and the elementary counselor as the foster liaison.
4. **Be Legendary School Board Leadership:**  
No Report this month
5. Administrative Reports (**Information Only**)
  - a. NO reports this month
6. **Public Comment:** None
7. **Unfinished Business (Action and/or Discussion):**
  - a. Scoreboard update- Mr. Senn gave an update on the timeline for the scoreboards. No motion
8. New Business (Action and / or Discussion)
  - b. Organization of the School Board
    - i. Election of President for the 2026-2027 School Year- Wallman moved, seconded by Stotts to appoint Amy Fischer as the 2026-2027 School Board President, no discussion, all in favor, motion carried.
    - ii. Election of Vice President for the 2026-2027 School Year- Stotts moves, seconded by Fischer to appoint Laura Wallman as the 2026-2027 Vice President.

Exciting Board President Stacy McGee stepped down from the table and newly elected board president Amy Fischer took her seat.

- iii. Appoint Business Manager for the 2026-2027 School Year- Wallman moves, seconded by Stotts to Approve Lauren Sense as the 2026-2027 Business Manager.
- iv. Appoint Committees- Committees were appointed as follows:
  - a. Finance/Budget Committee- Fischer, Hess, Wallman
  - b. Hearing Committee- Fischer
  - c. Negotiation Committee- Brown, Hagadone, Stotts
  - d. Policy Committee-Brown, Fischer, Hagadone
  - e. Personnel Committee-Fischer, Wallman
  - f. Building Committee-Burke, Stotts
  - g. Transportation Committee-Burke, Wallman
  - h. Extracurricular Committee-Stotts, Wallman
  - i. Sick Bank Committee-Stotts
  - j. Information Technology Committee- Brown, Hess
- c. Teacher Resignation-EP- Stotts moves to approve the resignation of Ella Powell, seconded by Burke, all in favor, motion carried.
- d. Designate Depository Bank- Dakota Western- Wallman moves, seconded by Stotts to approve Dakota Western Bank as the depository bank for the district. All in favor, motion carried.
- e. Review Pledge of Assets- Board Recognized, no motion needed.

- f. Name Official News Paper- Bowman County Pioneer- Burke moves, seconded by Stotts to approve Bowman County Pioneer as the official newspaper. All in favor, motion carried.
- g. Official State Bonding- NDIRF- Board Recognized the official State Bonding, No motion needed.
- h. Resolution to Destroy old Records- Wallman moves, to authorize district personnel to destroy records in accordance with state century code, seconded by Hess.
- i. Establish Regular Board Meeting Time (Day of Month; time; Quarterly Rhame)- Burke Moved, seconded by Wallman to hold regular meetings as follows:
  - i. Days of the Month: Wednesday
  - ii. Time of day: 5:00pm
  - iii. Quarterly in Rhame: Yes
- j. NDSBA Evaluator Service- Stotts moves, seconded by Burke to approve the Evaluation Service through the NDSBA, all in favor, motion carried.
- k. 2026-2027 Preliminary Budget Overview- Discussion Only.
- l. School Lunch Fees 2026-2027-Brown moves, seconded by Wallman to approve the new school lunch fees as follows:
  - i. Student Breakfast: \$2.50, Adult Breakfast: \$3.00, Student Lunch: \$4.00, Employee Lunch: \$5.50, Adult Guest: \$6.00, Milk: Remains the same at .50\$. All in favor, motion carried.
- m. Activity Fees 2026-2027- Discussion, Activity Fees will remain the same, no motion necessary.
- n. Pre-K Tuition 2026-2027-Discussion, Pre-k Tuition will remain the same @ \$750/year, no motion necessary.
- o. Administrative Contracts- Executive Session possible for negotiation strategy pursuant to N.D.C.C. 44-04-19.1(9), N.D.C.C. 15.1-16-22 & N.D.C.C. 44-04-18.27
  - i. Superintendent
  - ii. Elementary Principal

Wallman moved to end the open meeting and enter executive session @ 6:49 for the purpose of negotiation strategy pursuant to N.D.C.C. 15.1-16-22 & N.D.C.C. 44-04-19.1(9), seconded by Stotts. Roll Call vote: Brown; Yes, Burke; Yes, Hess; Yes, Wallman; Yes, Fischer; Yes, Stotts; Yes, Hagadone, All in Favor Motion Carried. President Fischer adjourned open meeting at 6:49pm. Members present in executive session: President Fischer, Vice President Wallman, Board Members, Brown, Burke, Hess, Stotts, Hagadone, and Business Manager Lauren Sense. President Fischer called the meeting (executive session) to order at 6:50pm. Topics discussed were negotiations. Stotts Motioned, Seconded by Wallman to end executive session at 7:20 pm.

Wallman moved, seconded by Stotts, to offer an Elementary Principal contract to Mr. Wade Crissman.

**9. With no further business meeting Adjourned at 7:21pm**

\*Next Regular School Board Meeting will be Wednesday, August 12th, 2026 @ 5:00pm in Bowman.

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Amy Fischer, President

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Lauren Sense, Business Manager