

BROWNSTOWN CENTRAL COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION
Brownstown, Indiana

Members of the Board of School Trustees of the Brownstown Central Community School Corporation met in Regular Session at the Brownstown Central Superintendent's Office at 7:30 p.m., on Tuesday, April 14, 2026.

President Clayton Beard called the meeting to order. Jade Peters led the Pledge of Allegiance, and a moment of silence was observed.

Roll call was taken by President Clayton Beard. Members Jerry Hounshel, Greg Hutcheson, Levi Nehrt, Steve Ritter, and Brian Wheeler were present, as were Superintendent Tim Taylor, Assistant Superintendent Jade Peters, Alisha Griffin, Joe Sheffer, Doug McClure, Marty Young, Will Hubbard, Corey Lanier, several patrons, and one member of the media. Member Tory Rudolph was absent.

On a motion by Greg Hutcheson, seconded by Brian Wheeler, the board unanimously approved the Minutes of the March 10, 2026 board meeting.

Mr. Young recognized and congratulated Lily Brown as BES Student of the Month.

Mr. Young shared many fun activities going on at BES. We participated in a March Madness Elementary Reading Bracket, and then our 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade students attended a field trip to Lucas Oil Stadium to watch the Final Four Team practices courtesy of the NCAA.

Mr. Young reported 2nd grade students completed the CogAt assessment to determine High Ability eligibility for 3rd grade.

Mr. Young shared the 4th grade students have been improving the school grounds by refreshing garden areas with new mulch.

Mr. Young thanked Dr. Riley Wilson and Finley Wheeler for helping with eye exams for BES students.

Mr. Young thanked Mrs. Debbie Hackman from the Jackson County Recycling for donating trash cans for the new gym.

Mr. Young thanked Mr. Schaeffer for inviting BES 3rd-5th grade students to attend the BC Bands Recruitment Concert on March 26th.

Mr. Young reported BES Kindergarten Round-Up was April 1st. We got to meet the kids, do placement assessment, paperwork, and the incoming students got to meet the Kindergarten teachers.

Mr. Young stated Little Braves Academy would be meeting the incoming preschoolers for assessments, paperwork, and welcome them to BES.

Mr. Young shared BES celebrated Assistant Principals Week with a 1990s theme in honor of Mrs. Hukill. He thanked her for her continued leadership and dedication to BES.

Mr. Young shared he and Mrs. Maria Anderson attended the IDOE celebration at the State House on April 8th where BES was recognized for receiving over 95% pass rate on the IREAD Assessment last year. This recognition reflects the hard work of both staff and students.

Mr. Young reported ILEARN Summative testing began this week, and results from the IREAD assessment are not public yet, but 2nd and 3rd graders showed a strong performance again this year.

Mr. Young congratulated the BES Archery Team for qualifying for Nationals in Louisville.

Mr. Young stated looking ahead after ILEARN BES will be busy with Teacher Appreciation Week, Track and Field events, grade level field trips, and end-of-year award programs.

Mr. Young shared BES is continuing to plan for the 2026-27 school year with ongoing efforts to improve and some staff transitions into new roles for next year.

Mr. McClure recognized and congratulated Raelynn Hedrick as BCMS Student of the Month.

Mr. McClure shared Spring Sports are in full swing at BCMS, and for the first time in school history we will be hosting the Middle School Mid-Southern Conference Track Meet on May 11th.

Mr. McClure reported 98% of BCMS student body was in virtual attendance on the scheduled eLearning Day on April 10th.

Mr. McClure congratulated BCMS Intermediate Band on earning gold at the ISSMA Organizational event on April 11th. This achievement qualifies the band for the ISSMA All-Music Award. Mr. Schaeffer shared that fewer than 10% of middle school bands earn this award.

Mr. McClure reported BCMS will begin the ILEARN assessment next week.

Mr. McClure shared BCMS will be welcoming 5th graders to BCMS for 6th Grade Pals for a Day the week of May 4th.

Mr. McClure stated BCMS received \$957.50 from the Jackson County Community Foundation Amy Motazediz grant. This money is used to help meet the various student needs from binders to school supplies and shoes.

Mr. McClure thanked Driftwood Christian Church and The Fraternal Order of Eagles Ladies Auxiliary for their donations to cover student's needs, payoff all BCMS students' negative lunch account balances, the purchase of extra food for the student back sack program, and assistance in covering end-of-year field trip expenses for students.

Mr. McClure recognized Mrs. Shannon McKeand and Mrs. Briana Gay for the upcoming Administrative Professionals Day on April 22nd. Their excellent teamwork, efficiency, and collaboration, makes the BCMS Office run smoothly.

Mr. Sheffer recognized and congratulated Teresa Perez as BCHS Student of the Month.

Mr. Sheffer congratulated BCHS Academic Teams on competing at Mitchell High School March 24th. Social Studies placed 2nd, Science and Fine Arts placed 3rd.

Mr. Sheffer stated Seniors picked up cap, gowns, and graduation yard signs on March 27th.

Mr. Sheffer shared BCHS Prom was April 10th and all went well.

Mr. Sheffer congratulated Kassidy Wischmeier for being selected as a 2026 Indiana Regional Academic All-Star. She will be recognized at the Indiana Academic All-Star Recognition Luncheon on April 23rd.

Mr. Sheffer congratulated the BCHS, BCMS, and BES Archery Teams on their recent competition at BCHS on April 4th. They are advancing to Nationals in Louisville.

Mr. Sheffer thanked the board and administration for the updates to the baseball facility. BCHS Baseball hosted the Hoosier Baseball Classic on April 3rd and 4th. The visiting teams were very complimentary of our facilities.

Mr. Sheffer invited the board to attend the BCHS VIP Breakfast on April 23rd.

Mr. Peters introduced Megan Kelley & Paul Miller with Chartwells to give a yearly update on BCCSC Cafeteria services.

Mr. Peters reported there was one Emergency Allocation to Southern Roofing for roof leak repairs at the middle school in the amount of \$1,503.00. Emergency Allocations beginning balance was \$91,320.41, this month's expenditures totaled \$1,503.00 leaving a balance of \$89,817.41. On a motion by Brian Wheeler, seconded by Greg Hutcheson, the board unanimously approved the Emergency Allocation.

On a motion by Greg Hutcheson, seconded by Levi Nehrt, the board unanimously approved the payment of Claim Nos. 28104-28105, 28121-28151 and 28171-28234, Lunch Fund Claims and March Payrolls 13 and 14 and Payroll Claims as follows:

Fund	Description	Total
0101	Education	8,344.86
0300	Operations	88,888.24
3220	Jackson Co Drug Free Grant	865.85
3250	Medicaid-State	3,196.95
4100	2025-2026 Title I, Pt A Basic	12.99
5220	FY 2026 611 Pt B	1,280.00
	Total	\$102,588.89

Fund	Description	Total
0101	Education	43,531.06
0300	Operations	71,647.18
3780	State Connectivity	1,782.50
5220	FY 2026 611 Pt B	1,527.99
6460	Medicaid Reimbursement-Federal	625.00
	Total	\$119,113.73

Lunch Fund Claims	\$108,153.65
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Payroll Nos. 13, 14, and March Claims	\$1,134,396.35
Total	\$1,402,197.24

Mr. Peters then went over the Monthly Budget and Extra-Curricular Reports.

On a motion by Jerry Hounshel, seconded by Steve Ritter, the board unanimously approved the following Field Trip Requests:

FIELD TRIP REQUESTS

Date	Organization	Destination	No. of Chaperones	No. of Students
Mar 26, 2026	BCMS Bands	BCHS Auditorium	1	29
Apr 11, 2026	BCMS Intermediate Band	Highland Hills Middle School	2	28
Apr 22, 2026	BCHS Letterman's Club	Paintball/Airsoft Indiana	2	50+

Apr 24, 2026	BCHS German Club	St. Benedict's Monastery Ferdinand, IN & Schnitzelbank Jasper, IN	1	35
Apr 29, 2026	Lutheran Central 5 th & 6 th Grades	Squire Boone Caverns	2	31
May 4, 2026	BES Kdg.	Brownstown Park after Track & Field Day	8	94
May 5, 2026	BCHS Spanish Club	Mi Casa Seymour, IN	1	16
May 6, 2026	BCHS German III Classes	Sauers Cemetery	1	35
May 7, 2026	BCHS Animal Science Class	Indianapolis Zoo	1	12
May 14, 2026	Lutheran Central Kdg. & 1 st Grades	Wonder Lab Bloomington, IN	3	42
May 14, 2026	St. John's Sauers	Jackson County Jail (DARE Tour)	1	24
May 15, 2026	BCHS AP Science	Kings Island Mason, OH	2	40
May 18, 2026	St. John's Sauers	Mrs. Lambring's Home Fishing & Hiking	4	60
May 19, 2026	BCMS 7 th Grade	Hoosier Alley Bloomington, IN	4	91
May 20, 2026	St. John's Sauers	Field Day at Trinity Lutheran HS	8	120

On a motion by Levi Nehrt, seconded by Greg Hutcheson, the board unanimously approved the following Facility Use Request:

FACILITY USE REQUESTS

Date	Organization and Event	Facility Needed
Mar 16, 2026	Jackson County Sheriff Dept K9 Training	BCHS
Mar 25-May 27, 2026	K-1 Basketball	BES Gym
April-May, 2026	Men's League Basketball	BES Gym
May 14, 2026	BCHS FFA Banquet	BCHS Cafeteria & Auditorium
May 30, 2026	Boys & Girls Club End of Year Party & Art Show	BES
Jun-Jul, 2026	Brownstown Women's Volleyball League	BES Gym
Jul 4, 2026	American Legion Post 112 250 th July 4 th Parade	BCHS Parking Lot
Jul 20, 22, 2026	Purdue Extension Jackson Co 4-H Sewing Judging and Foods Check-In	BCHS Auditorium & Cafeteria
August 3, 2026	Rock' N Ready School Supply Distribution Day	BES Gym
Aug 23, 2026	Lutheran Central School Lutheran Central Sunday	BCHS Auditorium
Oct 26-30, 2026	BCHS Musical Dept Musical Auditions	BCHS Auditorium
Dec 21, 2026-Mar 3, 2027	BCHS Musical Dept Musical Rehearsals	BCHS Auditorium
Mar 4,5,7, 2027	BCHS Musical Dept Musical	BCHS Auditorium
May 21 2027	Lutheran Central School	BCHS Track

On a motion by Greg Hutcheson, seconded by Steve Ritter, the board approved the following Personnel Actions. Jerry Hounshel and Brian Wheeler abstained from voting on personnel actions.

PERSONNEL ACTIONS

RESIGNATIONS/TERMINATIONS:

Name	Position	Date Effective
Brenda Ahlbrand	BES Special Needs Multi C Aide Full-Time	Immediately
Tayler Weithoff	BES Instructional Assistant Part-Time	Immediately
Kourtney Hoevener	BES 5 th Grade Girls Volleyball Coach	Immediately
Kourtney Hoevener	BES 5 th Grade Girls Basketball Coach	Immediately

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Name	Position	Date Effective
Chloe Covert	Mary Cobb Leave of Absence March 23- May 22, 2026	Immediately
Grant Elliott	BCHS English Teacher	2026-27 SY
Kayden Gray	BES Special Needs Multi C Aide Full-Time	Immediately
Anna Hochstedler	BCMS Boys & Girls Track & Field Volunteer Coach	Immediately

TRANSFERS:

Name	Position	Date Effective
Rilee Garland	BES Special Ed Teacher to BES Teacher	2026-27 SY
Amy Hehman	BES Preschool Instructor to BES Teacher	2026-27 SY
Rachel Johnson	BES Teacher to BES Title One Teacher	2026-27 SY
Sheila Reynolds	BES Special Ed Teacher to BES Teacher	2026-27 SY
Paige Wheeler	BCHS Assistant Varsity Volleyball Coach & BCHS Summer Assistant Volleyball Coach to BCHS Volunteer Volleyball Coach	Immediately

LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

Name	Position	Date Effective
Catherine Caudill	BCHS Teacher Leave of Absence August 20-November 1, 2026	2026-27 SY

SUMMER RESIGNATIONS:

Name	Position	Date Effective
Jeff Settle	BCCSC Summer Mowing	Immediately

SUMMER RECOMMENDATIONS:

Name	Position	Date Effective
Kerri Allman	BCMS Summer Cleaning	Summer 2026
Regina Amburgey	BCHS Summer Cleaning	Summer 2026
Shannon Barger	BCHS Summer Session 1 US History 1	May 26-Jun 10, 2026
Shannon Barger	BCHS Summer Session 2 US History 2	Jun 11-Jun 26, 2026
Brittany Bell	BCCSC Summer Painting	Sumer 2026
Abigail Branaman	BCHS Supervised Agriculture Experience Combined Summer Session 1 & 2	May 26-Aug 1, 2026
Stephanie Brock	BCHS Choir Combined Summer Session 1 & 2	May 26-Aug 1, 2026
Randy Greene	BCHS Summer Session 1 Geography 1	May 26-Jun 10, 2026
Randy Greene	BCHS Summer Session 2 Geography 2	Jun 11-Jun 26, 2026
Amy Henson	BCCSC Summer Painting	Summer 2026
Shelby Hounshel	BCCSC Summer Bus Cleaning	Summer 2026
Sheryl Jackson	BCCSC Summer Bus Cleaning	Summer 2026
Elizabeth Johnson	BES Summer Cleaning	Summer 2026
Tyler Knotts	BES Summer Cleaning	Summer 2026
Paisleigh Peters	BCCSC Summer Technology	Summer 2026
Robert Pierson	BCCSC Summer Mowing	Summer 2026
Sheila Reynolds	BES Summer 3 rd Grade Reading Teacher	May 26-Jun 10, 2026
John Schaeffer	BCHS Marching Band Combined Summer Session 1 & 2	May 26-Aug 1, 2026
Camryn Thompson	BCCSC Summer Technology	Summer 2026
Alexa Wheelles	BCCSC Summer Technology	Summer 2026

Approval of Recommendations is contingent on a favorable Criminal Background Check

Mr. Taylor asked approval to start a Virtual School option for BCCSC grades 9-12 for the 2026-27 school year and apply for an additional school number for the virtual school from the Indiana Department of Education. On a motion by Brian Wheeler, seconded by Greg Hutcheson, the board approved the virtual school option and application for an additional school number.

Mr. Taylor asked approval to expand our current Literacy Coach K-5 position to K-8. On a motion by Jerry Hounshel, seconded by Brian Wheeler, the board approved expanding the Literacy Coach position.

Mr. Taylor asked the board to amend the board’s previous 2026-27 School Calendar recommendation of Option 2 to Option 3. On a motion by Levi Nehrt, seconded by Steve Ritter, the board amended the 2026-27 School Calendar.

Mr. Peters gave an update on the Vallonia Gym.

Mr. Peters gave an update on the Dirt Sale Online Auction.

Mr. Taylor shared that a lot of great things are happening at BCCSC, and we have great people working here to make those things happen.

Mr. Taylor congratulated BCMS Intermediate Band on their ISSMA Award.

Mr. Taylor congratulated the BCHS Baseball Team on their 5-0 start of the season.

Mr. Greg Hutcheson stated he is excited about the Little Braves Academy and Virtual School option. He thanked Driftwood Christian Church and The Fraternal Order of Eagles Ladies Auxiliary for their generous donation to BCMS. Greg congratulated the Archery Teams for making it to Nationals, and wished all the Spring Athletes good luck.

Mr. Jerry Hounshel congratulated the Students of the Month.

Mr. Steve Ritter thanked Driftwood Christian Church for their generous donation.

Dr. Levi Nehrt thanked the community for all their support, and he commended BES on their IREAD scores and efforts.

Mr. Brian Wheeler congratulated the Students of the Month, BCMS Band, and BCHS Academic Teams.

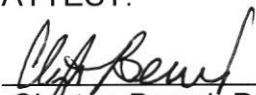
Mr. Clayton Beard thanked the building principals for all they do, and Driftwood Christian Church and The Fraternal Order of Eagles Ladies Auxiliary for their generous donations to BCMS. He also stated he is looking forward to our trades offering.

Having no further business, on a motion by Brian Wheeler, seconded by Levi Nehrt, the board unanimously approved, the meeting adjourned at 8:26 pm.



Jerry Hounshel, Secretary, Board of School Trustees

ATTEST:



Clayton Beard, President, Board of School Trustees