

MINUTES, BOWLER SCHOOL DISTRICT 2024 BUDGET HEARING

MONDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2024

Board Approved Monday, November 18, 2024

Call to Order:

The Annual Budget Hearing was called to order by Board President Shannon Thiex at 5:32 p.m. Board members present were Kerry Breitrick, Jill Duranceau, Chenoa Martin, Betsy Rosenow, and Shannon Thiex. Board members Tess Serrano and Raquel Treptow were absent. Also in attendance were Glenda Butterfield-Boldig, District Administrator; Brandi McComb, Elementary Principal; Brian Gleason, 7-12 Principal; Heidi Rickert, District Accountant, Christine Backes, District Secretary, Aaron Matz, and Bonnie Matz.

Heidi Rickert presented the proposed 2024-2025 annual budget. The budget proposed a \$722,275 deficit, due to decreased revenues and planned use of fund balances. Mrs. Rickert highlighted the district's Capital Improvement projects, which included new flooring for the band room, a new rubber track surface, and repairs to the softball fence. Technology upgrades featured several new interactive displays in classrooms, as well as upgrades to the UPS and backup units. Other items on the list included a replacement vehicle for the district's current minivan and increases in salaries and health insurance. The proposed all-fund school tax levy and mill rate will be discussed at the annual meeting. Explanations of the various sources of expenditures, funds, and revenues were provided.

Adjournment:

Motion by Breitrick, seconded by Duranceu to adjourn the Budget Hearing at 5:59 pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted:

Christine Backes, District Secretary

MINUTES, BOWLER SCHOOL DISTRICT 2024 ANNUAL MEETING

MONDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2024

Board Approved Monday, November 18, 2024

Call to Order:

The Annual meeting was called to order by Board President Shannon Thiex at 6:00 pm. It was certified that the meeting was given proper notice. Board members present were Kerry Breitrick, Jill Duranceau, Chenoa Martin, Betsy Rosenow, and Shannon Thiex. Board members Tess Serrano and Raquel Treptow were absent. Also in attendance were Glenda Butterfield-Boldig, District Administrator; Brandi McComb, Elementary Principal; Brian Gleason, 7-12 Principal; Heidi Rickert, District Accountant, Christine Backes, District Secretary, Aaron Matz, and Bonnie Matz.

Election of Chairperson:

President Thiex asked for nominations from the floor. Motioned by Rosenow and seconded by Breitrick to nominate Shannon Thiex as Chairperson. Appointed Christine Backes, District Secretary to record the minutes of the meeting.

Review of 2023 Minutes:

The minutes of the 2023 Annual Meeting were reviewed. No questions or comments were brought up for discussion.

Present 2024-2025 District Goals:

Ms. Butterfield-Boldig presented the 2024-2025 District Goals. The District Goals are as follows:

2024-2025 GOALS

Student Achievement...The School District will continue to focus on improving student Achievement by implementing evidence and research based practices including culturally responsive practices that engage families and students.

School Environment/Culture... The School District will continue to promote the creation of an organization that is welcoming, inclusive, and supportive to all Individuals.

Fiscal Responsibility... The School District will continue to fund programs and services aligned with the vision and mission of the School District in a manner that is cognizant of the financial impact to its taxpayers.

Community Partnerships... The School District will continue to grow existing partnerships and identify and nurture new partnerships in the best interest of our students and district.

Student and Staff well-being... The School District will create systems and partner with other agencies to support and promote the physical and mental well-being of students and staff.

Adoption of Tax Levy:

Motion by Duranceau, seconded by Breitrack to approve the \$1,573,228 tax levy. Motion carried 5-0

Authorization of Short-term Borrowing:

Motion by Breitrack, seconded by Duranceau to borrow funds as needed to meet current year operational expenses. Motion carried. 5-0

Discussion of Fees:

- 1.) Current School Registration Fees: Grades K-6- \$10.00 Grades 7-12 - \$25.00
- 2.) Current Lunch Prices: Participating in the Community Eligibility Provision Program.
No fees for 2024-2025 year.
- 3.) Current Adult Lunch Prices: \$4.80
- 4.) Current Adult Breakfast Prices: \$3.00
- 5.) Current Milk Prices: \$0.40
- 6.) Current After School Snack Fee: Students free, adults fee \$1.00
- 7.) Current Student Parking Fee: Waived for 2024-2025 year.

Motion by Glenda Butterfield-Boldig and seconded by Breitrack to set fees for the 2024-2025 year. Motion carried. 5-0

Approval of Sale or Disposal of Property:

Motion by Thiex, seconded by Breitrack to authorize the sale or disposal of any property belonging to and no longer needed by the District, i.e. miscellaneous items. Motion carried. 5-0

Approval of Board Salaries and Reimbursements:

Motion by Glenda Butterfield-Boldig, seconded by Duranceau to keep member salaries and expense reimbursements the same. Motion carried. 5-0

Other Business from the Floor:

None

Set 2025 Annual, Budget Hearing, Regular Meeting Date:

Motion by Glenda Butterfield-Boldig, seconded by Rosenow to hold the Annual Budget Hearing, Annual Meeting, and Regular Meeting on Monday, October 27, 2025, at 5:30 pm. Motion carried. 5-0

Adjournment:

Motion by Thiex, seconded by Breitrack to adjourn. Motion carried. (6:17 pm)

MINUTES, BOWLER SCHOOL DISTRICT - REGULAR BOARD MEETING

MONDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2024

Board Approved Monday, November 18, 2024

Call to Order:

The Regular Monthly meeting was called to order by Board President Shannon Thiex at 6:18 pm. It was certified that the meeting was given proper notice. Board members present were Kerry Breitrick, Jill Duranceau, Chenoa Martin, Betsy Rosenow, and Shannon Thiex. Board member Raquel Treptow arrived late at 6:29 pm and Tess Serrano was absent. Also in attendance were Glenda Butterfield-Boldig, District Administrator; Brandi McComb, Elementary Principal; Brian Gleason, 7-12 Principal; Heidi Rickert, District Accountant, Christine Backes, District Secretary, Aaron Matz, and Bonnie Matz.

Approval of Consent Agenda:

Motion by Rosenow seconded by Breitrick to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried. 5-0

Public Recognition:

There were no comments during public recognition.

Information:

Administration Reports: Ms. Butterfield-Boldig announced that there is still space available for other members interested in attending the Fall Advocacy Workshop with CESA on November 14th. Bayland Builders will be coming to finalize one last item regarding the addition.

Mr. Gleason reported that he attended the NHS induction ceremony, where three new members were welcomed. The AG department recently attended the World Dairy Expo and will also be participating in the National Convention later this week. Mr. Gleason attended his first UW recruitment and made some valuable connections.

Mrs. McComb shared that the Parent-Teacher Conferences were a tremendous success, achieving the highest attendance recorded thus far. Elementary staff are developing exciting new reading incentives. The Scholastic Book Fair concluded with a total of \$613.00 more than last year. On October 14th, some staff members led sessions during the Joint Inservice.

Finance Report:

September's report shows the new budget numbers. The budget is on track as expected.

Information on 2nd Breakfast:

Mrs. Rickert reported there has been a decrease in numbers. The administration will revisit in December.

Student Achievement:

Mr. Gleason reported that on October 11th, the middle and high school staff held a data dig meeting and is currently utilizing that information to make progress. Mrs. McComb discussed the AGI goals, while the elementary staff met with Mrs. Wolfe to focus on student reading plans.

Discussion to reserve 1st and 2nd Wednesday of the month for committee meetings:

Will reserve Wednesday and see how it works.

Extracurricular assignments: Deb Combs, class of 2028 advisor; and Kris Thiex as School Student Council advisor.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Motion by Breitrick seconded by Duranceau to approve Motion carried. 6-0

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Current Lunch Prices: Participating in the Community Eligibility Provision Program. No fees for 2024-2025/yr

Current Adult Lunch Prices: \$4.80

Current Adult Breakfast Prices: \$3.00

Current Milk Prices: \$0.40

Current After School Snack Fee: Students free, adults fee \$1.00

Current Student Parking Fee: Waived for the 2024-2025 year.

Motion by Rosenow, seconded by Duranceau to adopt the 2024-2025 budget and set the tax levy at \$1,573,228.
Motion carried 6-0

Motion by Breitrick, seconded by Duranceau to direct the District Clerk to certify the tax levy to each municipal clerk in the school district. Motion carried. 6-0

Motion by Rosenow, seconded by Martin to direct the District Clerk to publish the adopted budget and tax levy.
Motion carried 6-0

Motion by Rosenow, seconded by Martin to approve 1st National Bank as depositories of the Bowler School District for the 2024-2025 school year. Motion carried. 6-0

Motion by Breitrick, seconded by Duranceau to approve to adopt Resolution of Temporary borrowing in the amount not to exceed \$900,000 Pursuant to Sec. 67.12 (8)(a)1, Wisconsin State Statutes.
Motion Carried Roll call vote 6-0

Motion by Rosenow, seconded by Treptow to approve RVA Charter renewal agreement. Motion carried 6-0

Motion by Duranceau, seconded by Breitrick to approve School Nursing Services Contract. Motion carried. 6-0

Future Agenda Items:

November 11th, Veterans Day Program

Motion by Treptow, seconded by Duranceau to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. (6:46 p.m.)

Respectfully Submitted:

Christine Backes, District Secretary