

Boyne Falls Public School

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education

September 15, 2025 – 6:30 p.m. in the Board Conference Room



Minutes

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Carson, at 6:30 p.m. in the board conference room.

II. Roll Call

Members Present: Carson, Brunmeier, Haug, Pickering, Loper, Powers, Mulvaney

Members Absent: 0

Others Present: 6

III. Pledge of Allegiance

IV. Approval of Agenda

Motion by Brunmeier, support by Pickering, to approve the agenda as printed.

Motion Carried 7 to 0.

V. Approval of Minutes and Corrections

Motion by Haug, support by Loper, to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting of August 18, 2025.

Motion Carried 7 to 0.

VI. Payment of Bills

Motion by Haug, support by Brunmeier, to approve the payment of the following bills:

- General Fund \$ 60,243.58
- Food Service \$ 7,462.12
- Special Revenue \$ 18,552.44
- Sinking Fund \$ 11,301.00

Motion Carried 7 to 0.

VII. Introduction of new staff

- a. Introduce new 5th grade teacher, Alison Gross and preschool co-teacher, Briana Mitchell.

VIII. 2024-2025 Audit Presentation

IX. Discussion Items

- a. Ryan Richards and Class of 2026 request
 - Would like to extend trip to a full ten days.
 - Exceeded cost required for seven-day trip; Board of Education okay to proceed with quote.

X. Committee Reports

- a. Executive
- b. Policy
 - Read policy series
 - 5207- Anti-Bullying Policy
 - 5208- Student Acceptable Use and Internet Safety Policy
 - 5209- Student Use of Cell Phone and Electronic Communication Devices
 - 5210- GPS Tracking Device with Audio Surveillance Capabilities
 - 5211- Emergency Use of Seclusion and Restraint
 - 5212- Registered Sex Offenders
 - 5213- Personal Protection Orders against Students
- c. Building/Grounds/Transportation
- d. Other

XI. Student Success Advisor

- a. Update
 - Wrapping up NWEA testing this week.
 - Will introduce goal setting with MS/HS students.
 - Several fall field trips coming up; college tours, Fly Wheelers, JMG-manufacturing plants.
 - Versiti blood drive on October 8th here at Boyne Falls School.
 - Community Expo moved to October 9th during parent/teacher conferences this year.
 - Will brainstorm additional ways to entice parents for January parent/teacher conferences.

XII. Principal's Report

- a. Update
 - 11th and 12th grade students helped demonstrate PBIS expectations this year.
 - PBIS expectations reviewed daily thru staff emails and announcements.
 - Logger connect events planned.
 - SSR time changed to Academic Lab with mixed students and staffing opportunities.

- Tutoring rebranded to “Power Hour” to encourage attendance and peer mentoring.
- Fall sports assembly held to kick off the season and will do throughout year with upcoming seasons.

XIII. Superintendent’s Report

a. General Updates

- School Crisis Response Plan updated.
- Old Mackinaw Trail property.
 - Dave Gillespie contacted for quote to mow property. \$200.00 per mow.
- Contacted SETSEG to do walk through. Information sought:
 - What is the goal and intention for property?
 - Maintain it to encourage use of property?
- Would need to remediate or remove building, clean area and make safe.
 - Dave Carson suggested property to be clean as it is an eye sore; would like to see property used.
 - Laura Brunmeier suggested donating to Little Traverse Conservancy.
- Can we sell property?
 - Dave Carson thinks no, because it was given to us, not sold.
- Claim equipment; give 30-day notice to collect. We reached out last year.
- Board of Education would like to see it maintained.
 - Tear building down, clean up trails and property.
- Reviewed quote from Eklund Forestry for harvesting property. No other companies returned call.
 - Use proceeds to help maintain property.
 - Board of Education will contact Forestry and follow-up.

b. Legislative Updates

- Discussion centered on lack of State Budget.
- Watching house version closely and categorical funding elimination.
- Char-Em Superintendents have been meeting with legislators and sharing concerns.

c. Other

- Dave Carson and Laura Brunmeier are attending the 2025 Annual Leadership Conference, October 23-26, 2025 at Grand Traverse Resort.

XIV. Recognition of Audience

- a. The board will recognize anyone wishing to address them. They do reserve the right to limit the time devoted to a specific topic and ask that arrangements be made in the superintendent's office in advance to be placed on the agenda.

- Mary Matelski- October sports boosters golf outing.
- Mitchell Klooster- Encouraged with support from Senator Damoose.

XV. Action Items

- a. Motion by Brunmeier, support by Powers, that the Board of Education approve Brieana Mitchell as a preschool co-teacher.

Motion Carried 7 to 0.

- b. Motion by Pickering, support by Mulvaney, that the Board of Education approve Emily Putnam as the Hoop House attendant.

Motion Carried 7 to 0.

XVI. Board of Education Business

- a. Activities Report

- Gene Pickering
 - Update on where we are at with safety projects.
 - Are we going out for bond again?
 - Have a workshop in coming months to discuss.
- Jeromy Loper
 - Would like to know how to go about getting tents for cross-country events.
 - Cindy Pineda will look into this.

- b. Other

XVII. Adjournment

Motion by Pickering, support by Brunmeier, to adjourn.

Motion Carried 7 to 0.

Time adjourned: 7:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Herman, Recording Secretary