



Powers Lake School Board Proceedings

Unofficial Abbreviated
School Board Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, June 9, 2026 - 5:00 pm

President Bullinger called the meeting to order at 5:07 pm with Vice President Grote and Directors Breeding, Schroeder, and Helseth present. Superintendent Kranz, Principal Wisthoff, Business Manager Johnson, Mona Christenson, and Dennis Dosch were also present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. No visitors present.

Additions to the Agenda: None. Motion to approve made by Grote, seconded by Breeding, all in favor, motion carried.

Approval of Previous Month's Meeting Minutes: Motion to approve the minutes from the May 12, 2026, and May 29, 2026, meetings made by Helseth, seconded by Grote; motion passed.

Business Manager's Report: Information provided on the NDSBA 26-27 renewal and bill.

May Bills: Aflac \$2891.00, All American Trophies 138.00, E. Andres 240.00, Bank of ND 114,419.10, Bio Corp 126.51, Black Hills State University 400.00, Bullinger Family Meats 1571.14, Burke County Tribune 234.28, CREA 1500.00, City of Powers Lake 467.50, Culligan 30.00, ND Dept. of Health & Human Services 50.00, EAPC 5974.60, Edwards Service 182.00, Emergent 3 Inc. 2000.00, E. Enget 243.00, Farmers Union Oil Kenmare 6105.27, Food Barn 550.00, FBLA 3360.00, G & P Sales 1149.46, Gerrells Sport Center

78.50, Gray's Dairy 1917.81, S. Grubb 101.25, S. Kranz 1622.24, JPMorgan 13,938.99, Herff Jones 1366.96, The Hoopster 190.00, Nd Info Tech 205.00, Jaypro Sports 151.71, P. Jensen 146.10, John's Sand & Gravel 145.00, Jorgenson Lumber 713.25, B. Letch 52.53, Liberty State Bank 7.64, Lignite Service & Repair 19178.25, Madison National Life Insurance 565.39, MARCO

Inc. 3261.50, MARC 1571.20, MDU 8515.05, MCMC 123.00, NDCEL 400.00, NDDPI 1647.23, A. Nelson 100.00, ND FFA 26.00, NDSBA 3794.76, NCC 411.89, Parshall HS 280.00, Pearce Durick 570.00, Powers Lake School 110.00, Prairie Pride Foods 567.65, K. Rosencrans 409.90, J. Rosin 200.00, Rudolph Electric 1348.32, C. Rystedt 125.00, C. Rystedt 100.00, Sanford Health Occ Med 105.00, Scholastic Book Fair 1328.92, Southeast Education Coop 70.00, SpringMath Accelerate 453.25, Stanley Public School 600.00, Steins 649.57, Surrey School 65.00, SVT Placement Services 9425.00, SYSCO 5527.99, TMS 296.80, United #7 Public School 100.00, WEX 20.00, Williston State College 400.00, A. Wynne 105.85

Grote moved to accept all financial reports and approve payment of the presented accounts payable bills, seconded by Breeding; motion carried.

Board Report: Vice President Grote attended a virtual BASC meeting and gave updates. President Bullinger provided an update from the construction meeting held earlier that day regarding the Ag Ed Construction Project.

High School Principal's Report: Principal Wisthoff reported on the following. Graduation rates from the conclusion of the 25-26 school year, 2026-2027 school year scheduling for grades 6-12, and presented results from the NDSA testing.

Elementary Principal Report: Principal Kranz reported on the following. Summer school updates, data meeting, STAR ranchers from Qtr. 4, EOY activities, and test scores along with the Powers Lake School Strategy Map for the 2026-2027 school year.

Superintendent Report: Superintendent Kranz gave updates on the following areas: finances regarding billings, reimbursements, loan pay-off, and fund transfers. Building/maintenance updates involving the construction project, roof damage, and Ag Ed addition furniture. Transportation updates were given by both Sue and Dennis at this time about Bus #8 and bus

inspections needing to be completed. Social Studies curriculum purchased for 2 classes, and multiple other meetings attended. Hiring for the 2026-2027 school year consists of filling two middle school teacher positions, the K-12 music position, asst. cook, CDL bus driver, and a para. Grants applied for, received, and upcoming were listed, with awarded grants totaling over \$400,000.00. Ag Addition will be the feature story for ND Living Magazine for receiving the MWEC grant. Note to continue to promote the Ag Addition to fill the open Ag Ed teaching position.

Transportation Director Report: Covered in the Superintendent's report.

Athletic Director Report: Mona reported that it has been reported to Ray that we would like to join the gymnastics coop. H. Sorenson submitted her resignation for the cross-country coach position. Head coaches for the upcoming school year were listed. Coaches will be taking the bus driving course on Aug. 3.

New Business: All pertinent information was emailed to Board members for review prior to the meeting.

A. Records Retention & Destruction: Motion by Helseth to authorize the destruction of the listed documents according to policy ABCD-E, seconded by Schroeder, motion carried.

B. Contract Approvals: Contracts for S. Anober - K-12 Music \$53,800.00 and A. Armada - Middle School \$56,500.00 were presented to the board. Motion to approve both contracts made by Schroeder, seconded by Breeding, motion carried.

C. Resignation - Caren L. Hoiby: President Bullinger read the resignation letter submitted to him by Ms. Hoiby. Motion to accept with regrets made by Helseth, seconded by Grote, motion carried.

D. Longevity Stipend: Board discussed the possibility of awarding a longevity stipend to C. Hoiby in recognition of the accumulated sick leave hours. Following discussion, the Board agreed to table the item until the next regular meeting for further consideration.



E. Business Manager Work Agreement: Agreement presented to members, motion to approve made by Helseth, seconded by Grote, motion carried.

F. Oil & Gas Lease Agreement: Lease agreement was reviewed and discussed, motion by Helseth to approve, seconded by Schroeder, motion carried.

Additions to the Agenda: None.

Discussion Items:

a. **Public Comment** – None

b. **Summer Bus Use** – Consensus from the board that bus use for team camps, league, and the Bethel Baptist Church is ok. School policy should be followed as it relates to charges incurred.

A special school board meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 22, 2026, at 5:00 pm in the Science Room to canvass election results, etc.

Construction meeting scheduled for Tuesday, June 23, 2026, at 9:30 am in the staff room.

The next regular board meeting is the Annual School Board Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, July 14, 2026, at 5:00 pm in the Science Room.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Grote and seconded by Breeding. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 6:31 pm.

Jeremy Bullinger, Board President
Shayna Johnson, Business Manager
**Unofficial Abbreviated Special
School Board Meeting Minutes
Monday, June 22, 2026 - 5:00 pm**

President Bullinger called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm. Members present were Vice President Grote and Directors Breeding, Schroeder, and Helseth. Superintendent Kranz and Business Manager Johnson were also present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. No visitors were present.

Anne Wuollet from PFM joined the meeting virtually to present to the board options regarding the Open Market Bonding Process for Building Fund Bonds and Certificates of Indebtedness. She presented scenario options and a timeline dependent upon whether the District receives the ND School Construction Loan.

Fund balance reports were presented to the Board. Superintendent Kranz

recommended a transfer of \$30,000.00 from the Food Service Fund to the General Fund. A motion to approve the transfer was made by Helseth and seconded by Breeding. Motion carried.

Superintendent Kranz further recommended transferring \$3,000.00 to the Activity/Athletics Fund (06) and \$255.00 to the Cross-Country Fund to restore positive balances in those accounts. A motion to approve the transfers was made by Schroeder and seconded by Breeding. Motion carried.

Consensus from the board on moving forward with paying off the GPT loan balance of \$49,304.52.

Board comments related to the current construction project and the timeline.

Motion to adjourn made by Breeding, seconded by Grote, meeting adjourned at 5:48 pm.

Jeremy Bullinger, Board President
Shayna Johnson, Business Manager
July 29, 2026