Bowbells School Board Proceedings

REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OCTOBER 12, 2026
Official Minutes

Present were J.R. Aufforth, Adam Jensen, Steven Pfeifer, Tyler Ross, Jill Wettstein, Superintendent Thingvold, Teacher McClure, and Business Manager Daugherty (Central Regional Education Association). The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by President Aufforth.

Motion by Jensen and seconded by Wettstein to approve the Consent Agenda (Agenda, September 14, 2026, minutes, and September 2026 Bills). Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND BILLS: Ameritas $369.48; Monica Hinds 7.59; Apptegy 5064.79; ND Studies Program 59.00; BCBS ND 9540.30; NDCEL 250.00; City of Bowbells 1410.00; NDSBA 3111.82; Dacotah Bank 7224.57; NDSOS 500.00; Farmers Union Lumber 30.00; Northwest Comm. 322.91; Farmers Union Oil 1928.65; ODIN 5.66; Fireside Office 710.75; Raddison Hotel Bismarck 227.00; Forte 2000.00; Region 9 Music & Speech 800.00; Infinite Campus 179.00; TCI 289.00; I-State Truck 588.68; TMS 120.80; Jack & Jill 50.54; Western Dakota Energy Assoc. 1902.59; Kenmare News 60.00; WSI 3687.30; Learning Without Tears 403.21; Zaner-Bloser 498.00; MDU 1697.77, TOTAL $43,039.41.

FOOD FUND: Dacotah Bank $45.00; NDDPI 864.44; E & E Beef 1390.00; Sysco Foods 6069.77. TOTAL $8369.21.

ACTIVITY FUND: Coca Cola Bottling HC 174.00; Great Plains Food Bank 63.75; Dacotah Bank 416.25; Northern Bottling Co. 202.80. TOTAL $856.80.

BUILDING FUND: Tecta America $96,200.00. TOTAL: $9,6200.00.

Public Comment: None

Student Outcomes: Superintendent Thingvold provided a presentation on the interim ND A+ test results showing a high proficiency level in both ELA and math. In addition, Outcome Goals for the 2026-2027 academic year were presented for both math and ELA.

Administrative/Committee Reports:

Business Manager: Report was presented by Business Manager Daugherty.

Building committee: JLAM was recently onsite to provide a quote for repair of the water issue under the stage area and work for repair in a few classrooms and hallway floor. The work will include installing drain tiles, pouring a concrete floor under the stage, reinforcing the existing concrete walls, installing a new sump pump system and replacing concrete sections of flooring in some adjacent classrooms and hallway space. The JLAM bid came in at $58,750. The committee met with another company, Ground Works, but they did not submit a bid.

Administration: Special Education teacher, Kali Smith, had her contract increased to 60%. Juniors and seniors will soon take part in job shadowing. A possible field trip to the Theodore Roosevelt Presidential Library in November was discussed.

Old Business: None.

New Business:

Motion to approve the JLAM Basement Water Control Bid for $58,750 with a board approved 50% cost overrun contingency was made by Pfiefer and seconded by Jensen. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the increased Special Education contract for Kali Smith to 60%, $30,300, was made by Wettstein and seconded by Pfeifer. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the 2026-2027 Math and ELA Outcome Goals was made by Jensen and seconded by Wettstein. Motion carried.

Other Items:

Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned by President Aufforth at 7:50 pm.

NEXT MEETING:
DATE: Monday, November 9th
TIME: 8 AM

JR Aufforth, Board President
Tarek Daughtery (CREA)
Business Manager

November 18, 2026