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cess the County Commission meeting for the annual meeting of the Bowman County Rural Ambulance Board, Miller seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion was carried unanimously. Pam Hestekin, President of the Bowman County Rural Ambulance Board, called the meeting to order at 10:09 AM, with the following board members present: Hayden Cristaldi, Darrell West, and Chad Njos. The board reviewed the 2025 Annual Meeting Minutes and 2025 Financial Report. The Ambulance board recommended to the Bowman County Commissioners the following members be reappointed to two-year terms: Darrell West and Chad Njos. With no further business to conduct, Hestekin adjourned the meeting at 10:12 AM. At 10:13 AM, Janikowski moved to reconvene the County Commission meeting. Buchmann seconded the motion, and upon a vote, the motion was carried unanimously.

City of Bowman representatives, Lyn James, Stacy McGee, Peggy Allen, and Shannon Hewson, Brosz Engineering, met to give an update on the Water and Sewage Project.

Bowman County Highway Superintendent, Shane Biggs, and Billy Doerr, Brosz Engineering, met to discuss road projects. Miller moved to approve the Request for Materials from Whiting and Scranton Townships for the purchase of 1600 cy of gravel with the townships being responsible for 100% of the cost. Buchmann seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with all members voting yes. Motion carried. Abrahamson moved to approve the bid from Northern Improvement of $66,472 to patch 133rd Ave SW, Scranton. Janikowski seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with all members voting yes. Motion carried. Doerr presented pay application #6F from Wilson Construction of $18,361.12 for the Whiskey Road Reconstruction Project. Miller moved to approve Change Order #5F for an increase of 95,343.24 on the Whiskey Road Reconstruction Project. Buchmann seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with all members voting yes. Motion carried. Discussion was held on the Paulson Seed Road Reconstruction Project bids. Miller moved to reject all bids and to rebid the project. Abrahamson seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with all members voting yes. Motion carried. Bowman County Maintenance Manager, Don Conant, met to discuss purchasing an additional county car. Miller moved to approve the purchase of a 2024 Ford Edge from Bowman Sales for $32,000 with the funds coming from State Revenue Sharing. Abrahamson seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Miller, yes; Abrahamson, yes; Buchmann, no; Janikowski, yes; Braaten, yes. Motion carried.

At 12:38 PM Janikowski moved to adjourn the meeting, with Buchmann seconding the motion, and upon a vote, the motion was carried unanimously.

Rick Braaten, Chairman, Board of County Commissioners

ATTEST: Mindy Schumacher, Bowman County Auditor

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OFFICIAL MINUTES
BOWMAN COUNTY SCHOOL
DISTRICT #1

The regular meeting of the Bowman County School Board was held on Wednesday April 9th, 2026, at 5:00pm at the HS Conference Room. Members present: President Stacy McGee. Vice President Chad Njos & Board Members, Camie Janikowski, Amy Fischer, Kirsten Stotts, Laura Wallman. Others present: Superintendent Anni Carlson, Business Manager Lauren Sense.

Guests present: Laurie Elliot (Via TEAMS), Andy Mrnak (Via TEAMS), Kari Gerbig, Kelli Ensign, Melissa Senn, Dianna Senn, Jolene Hendrickx, Lisa Kalstrom, Megan Brown, Brenda Osendorf, Connie Gaebe, Ella Powell, Tianna Brook, Jamine Wyckoff.

1. Call to Order: President Stacy McGee called meeting to order @ 5:01pm
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Agenda: Wallman moved to approve the agenda with the change of adding d. PE Teacher Contract to New Business, second by Njos, no discussion, all in favor, motion carried.
4. Be Legendary School Board Leadership:
a. Goal 2 Math ~ GPM 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, 2.4- Mrs. Ouradnik, and Mr. Senn presented the information, discussion was held, no motion.
b. Superintendent Guardrails 3&4- No discussion, no motion.
5. Consent Agenda Items: Fischer moves to approve the Consent agenda items, seconded by Wallman, no discussion was held, all in favor, motion carried. Those Items include the following:
a. Approve Minutes: March 11th, 2026, Regular School Board Meeting, March 17th, 2026, Special School Board Meeting, March 23rd, 2026, Special School Board Meeting.
b. Approve Bills
c. Approve Financial Reports
d. Committee Reports
i. Budget/Finance (March 10th)
ii. Negotiations (March 13th, March 25th, March 26th)
e. District Safety Plan
f. Attorney Time Block
g. Board Self Evaluation
6. Administrative Reports (Information Only)
a. Pre-K - 6 Principal
b. 7-12 Principal
c. Activities Director
d. Superintendent
7. Public Comment: Jolene Hendrickx signed up to talk at 9.c
8. Unfinished Business (Action and/or Discussion):
a. Scoreboards- Discussion was held, they are still waiting on another quote, Stotts motions to table until the May meeting, seconded by Njos, No Discussion, All in Favor, Motion carried.
b. Security Equipment Quotes- Discussion was held, Mr. Senn is waiting for another meeting with Consolidated. Njos Moves to table to the May meeting, Seconded by Stotts. No Discussion was held, all in favor, motion carried.
c. Negotiation Strategy & Instruction – Executive Session possible pursuant to N.D.C.C. 44-04-19.1(9):-was moved to 9.e
9. New Business: (Action and/or Discussion)
a. Dual-Credit Teacher Contract-Discussion was held, Janikowski Moves to table until the May meeting for more conversations to happen, seconded by Fischer, all in favor, motion carried.
b. School-Wide Title Cover Page- Discussion was held on how the school wide title would work, Janikowski Moves to approve the School-Wide Title Plan, seconded by Fischer, no discussion was held, all in favor, motion carried.
c. NDSBA Superintendent Search- Discussion was held, no motion was made.
d. PE Teacher Contract-Janikowski moves to approve the PE Contract for the 2026-2027 School year adding the following Language
e. Negotiation Strategy & Instruction – Executive Session possible pursuant to N.D.C.C. 44-04-19.1(9): an executive session for the purpose of discussing negotiations per NDCC 44-04-19.1. Roll call vote: Stotts yes, Janikowski yes, Mrnak yes, Fischer yes, Wallman yes, Njos yes and McGee yes. All in favor, motion carried. President McGee adjourned open session at 5:55pm. Members present in executive session; President Stacy McGee, Vice President Chad Njos & Board Member Fischer, Janikowski, Mrnak, Stotts, and Wallman, Superintendent Anni Carlson, Business Manager Lauren Sense. President McGee called meeting (executive session) to order at 5:56pm. Topic discussed Negotiations. Mrs. Carlson and Mrs. Sense left the meeting at 6:35pm, Laura Wallman exited the meeting at 6:43pm. Janikowski Motioned to end Executive session, Seconded by Njos. President McGee reconvened in open meeting at 8:09pm. Board members made note the art position that was previously froze in the March 2026 Meeting is froze until the end of negotiations and then will be revisited.
10. Meeting Adjourned at 8:10pm

*Next Regular School Board Meeting will be Wednesday, May 13th, 2026 @ 5:00pm in Bowman.

Stacy McGee, President
Lauren Sense, Business Manager

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Notice of Primary Election
Tuesday, June 9, 2026

Notice is hereby given that on Tuesday, the 9th day of June, 2026, in the County of Slope, State of North Dakota, a Primary Election will be held for Congressional, State, Legislative, County, City, and School offices and for Constitutional Measures. ALL Precincts in the County of Slope will be opened at 9:00 a.m. and continue open until 7:00 p.m.

Any resident of Slope County may vote at the Slope County Courthouse, at Pierce Congregational Church, or at Marmarth Community Center during the regular Primary Election from 9 A.M. to 7 P.M. on Tuesday, June 9, 2026.

Lorrie Buzalsky
Slope County Auditor

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CONSOLIDATED PRIMARY ELECTION BALLOT
PRIMARY ELECTION JUNE 9, 2026

ATTENTION! READ BEFORE VOTING POLITICAL PARTY BALLOT

In a Political Party Primary Election, you may only vote for the candidates of one political party. This ballot contains two political parties; one in each section. If you vote in more than one political party's section, your Political Party Ballot will be rejected; however, all votes on the No Party and Measures Ballots will still be counted.

To vote for the candidate of your choice, you must darken the oval (⬭) next to the name of that candidate. To vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, you must darken the oval (⬭) next to the blank line provided and write that person's name on the blank line.

REPUBLICAN

Representative in Congress — Vote for no more than ONE name
- ⬭ Julie Fedorchak
- ⬭ Alex Balazs
- ⬭

State Senator — District 39 — Vote for no more than ONE name
- ⬭ Greg Kessel
- ⬭

State Representative — District 39 — Vote for no more than TWO names
- ⬭ Jason Dodge
- ⬭ Keith Kempenich
- ⬭ Mike Schatz
- ⬭
- ⬭

Secretary of State — Vote for no more than ONE name
- ⬭ Michael Howe
- ⬭

Attorney General — Vote for no more than ONE name
- ⬭ Drew Wrigley
- ⬭

Agriculture Commissioner — Vote for no more than ONE name
- ⬭ Doug Goehring
- ⬭

Public Service Commissioner — Vote for no more than ONE name
- ⬭ Sheri Haugen-Hoffart
- ⬭ Deven Styczynski
- ⬭

Public Service Commissioner — Unexpired 2-Year Term — Vote for no more than ONE name
- ⬭ Jill Kringstad
- ⬭ Chris Olson
- ⬭

Tax Commissioner — Vote for no more than ONE name
- ⬭ Brian Kroshus
- ⬭

DEMOCRATIC-NPL

Representative in Congress — Vote for no more than ONE name
- ⬭ Trygve Hammer
- ⬭

State Senator — District 39 — Vote for no more than ONE name
- ⬭

State Representative — District 39 — Vote for no more than TWO names
- ⬭ Sandy Baertsch
- ⬭
- ⬭

Secretary of State — Vote for no more than ONE name
- ⬭ Ryan Braunberger
- ⬭

Attorney General — Vote for no more than ONE name
- ⬭ Tim Lamb
- ⬭

Agriculture Commissioner — Vote for no more than ONE name
- ⬭ Vern Thompson
- ⬭

Public Service Commissioner — Vote for no more than ONE name
- ⬭ John M Pederson
- ⬭

Public Service Commissioner — Unexpired 2-Year Term — Vote for no more than ONE name
- ⬭ Scot Kelsh
- ⬭

Tax Commissioner — Vote for no more than ONE name
- ⬭ Mark Nelson
- ⬭

Continue voting other side ➔

NOTICE: You may only vote in one political party's section.

Official Ballot
SLOPE COUNTY
June 9, 2026

All ballots, other than those used to vote absentee, must first be initialed by appropriate election officials in order to be counted.

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STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA | SLOPE COUNTY

NO-PARTY PRIMARY BALLOT

To vote for the candidate of your choice, you must darken the oval (⬭) next to the name of that candidate.

To vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, you must darken the oval (⬭) next to the blank line provided and write that person's name on the blank line.

Superintendent of Public Instruction — Unexpired 2-Year Term — Vote for no more than ONE name
- ⬭ Charles Tuttle
- ⬭ Levi Bachmeier
- ⬭ Tracy Layne Foss
- ⬭

Justice of the Supreme Court — Vote for no more than ONE name
- ⬭ Ariston E Johnson
- ⬭ Jerod Tufte
- ⬭

Justice of the Supreme Court — Unexpired 8-Year Term — Vote for no more than ONE name
- ⬭ Douglas A Bahr
- ⬭

County Commissioner — District 1 — Vote for no more than ONE name
- ⬭ Michael Teske
- ⬭

County Commissioner — District 3 — Vote for no more than ONE name
- ⬭ Bill Battest
- ⬭ David Septon
- ⬭

County Auditor — Vote for no more than ONE name
- ⬭

County State's Attorney — Vote for no more than ONE name
- ⬭ Erin Melling
- ⬭

County Recorder/Clerk of District Court — Vote for no more than ONE name
- ⬭ Cindy A Ornsbey
- ⬭ Tamara L Kjos
- ⬭

County Treasurer — Vote for no more than ONE name
- ⬭ Colleen Germann
- ⬭

County Sheriff — Vote for no more than ONE name
- ⬭ Kory Ruggles
- ⬭ Matt Keesler
- ⬭

County Official Newspaper — Vote for no more than ONE name
- ⬭ Bowman County Pioneer
- ⬭ Hettinger County Herald

NO-PARTY PRIMARY BALLOT

Commission President — Marmarth — Vote for no more than ONE name
- ⬭

Commissioner — Marmarth — Vote for no more than TWO names
- ⬭ Andy (AJ) Rohr
- ⬭
- ⬭

School Board Member Representative from the Rhame Area — Bowman School — Vote for no more than ONE name
- ⬭ Samantha Hagadone
- ⬭

School Board Member Representative from the Bowman Area — Bowman School — Vote for no more than TWO names
- ⬭ Jodi Freier
- ⬭ Alicia (Brooks) Hess
- ⬭ Thomas H Burke
- ⬭ Jessica Hill
- ⬭
- ⬭

School Board Member at Large — Bowman School — Vote for no more than ONE name
- ⬭ Megan Brown
- ⬭

MEASURES BALLOT

Vote by darkening the oval (⬭) next to the word "YES" or "NO" following the explanation of each measure.

Constitutional Measure No. 1

(Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 4007, 2025 Session Laws, Ch. 615)

This constitutional measure would amend and reenact section 9 of article III and section 16 of article IV of the Constitution of North Dakota, relating to requiring each resolution adopted by the legislative assembly proposing a constitutional amendment and each initiative petition and measure proposing a constitutional amendment be comprised of a single subject. The proposed amendment is summarized as follows: constitutional amendments would be limited to one subject. The Secretary of State shall not approve an initiative petition for circulation if the Secretary determines that the proposed amendment comprises more than one subject. Additionally, the legislative assembly is required to limit proposed amendments to the constitution to one subject.

The estimated fiscal impact of this measure is none.

- ⬭ **Yes** - Means you approve the measure summarized above.
- ⬭ **No** - Means you reject the measure summarized above.

MEASURES BALLOT

Bowman School School District Measure No. 1

Shall the Bowman County School District #1 publish a record of the proceedings of the school board meetings in the official newspaper of the county for the succeeding two (2) years?

- ⬭ **Yes** - Means you approve the measure summarized above.
- ⬭ **No** - Means you reject the measure summarized above.

VOTE BOTH SIDES

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OFFICIAL MINUTES
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DISTRICT #1

The special meeting of the Bowman County School Board was held on Monday April 13th, 2026, at 3:30pm in the High School Conference Room. Members present: President Stacy McGee, Vice President Chad Njos (Via Teams) & Board Members Amy Fischer, Camie Janikowski, Andy Mrnak (Via Teams), Kirsten Stotts, Laura Wallman. Others present: Business Manager Lauren Sense

Guests Present: none

1. Call to Order: President Stacy McGee called meeting to order @3:35pm.
2. Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Negotiations Strategy: Negotiations and Superintendent Contract– Executive Session possible pursuant to N.D.C.C. 44-04-19.1(9): Janikowski moved, seconded by Wallman hold an executive session for the purpose of discussing negotiations per NDCC 44-04-19.1. Roll call vote: Stotts yes, Janikowski yes, Mrnak yes, Fischer yes, Wallman yes, Njos yes and McGee yes. All in favor, motion carried. President McGee adjourned open session at 3:40pm. Members present in executive session; President Stacy McGee, Vice President Chad Njos (Via Teams) & Board Member Fischer, Janikowski, Mrnak (Via Teams), Stotts, Wallman, and Sense. President McGee called meeting (executive session) to order at 3:40pm. Topic discussed Negotiations Strategy. Mrnak leave teams at 4:56pm. Janikowski left at 5:04pm, Wallman Motioned to end Executive session, Seconded by Stotts. President McGee reconvened open meeting at 5:09pm.
4. Adjourn: With no further business, meeting was adjourned at 5:09pm

Stacy McGee, President
Lauren Sense, Business Manager

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OFFICIAL MINUTES
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The special meeting of the Bowman County School Board was held on Wednesday April 22nd, 2026, at

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