

**Reorganizational School Board Meeting Minutes
Barnum Public Schools ISD 91
January 28, 2025
High School Auditorium**

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Members Present: B. Anderson, L. Bonneville, B. Dinger, D. Hultgren, M. Orn, P. Poirier, J. Unkelhaeuser and Superintendent B. Peel

Members Absent: none

Ceremonial Oath of Office for L. Bonneville, B. Dinger, M. Orn, P. Poirier

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Poirier, **seconded** by Dinger and **unanimously carried** to approve the agenda as written.

Items for Individual Action and Discussion:

- A. Accept and vote on nominations for Chair, Vice Chair / Treasurer and Clerk for 2025.
 1. **Nomination and approval** by acclamation to elect **Patrick Poirier** as the **Chair** of the School Board for 2025.
 2. **Nomination and approval** by acclamation to elect **Jessica Unkelhaeuser** as the **Vice Chair / Treasurer** of the School Board for 2025.
 3. **Nomination and approval** by acclamation to elect **Dawn Hultgren** as the **Clerk** of the School Board for 2025.
 4. **Motion** by Poirier, **seconded** by Hultgren and **unanimously carried** to approve the Resolution Electing Officers of the School Board for 2025 as approved by acclamation in A.1-A.3 above.

B. The following dates, times and locations were established for 2025 board and committee meetings. No motion was required.

- Monthly School Board Meetings: second Monday of each month at 6:00 p.m. in the High School (H.S.) Media Center
 - Feb 10
 - March 10
 - April 14
 - May 12
 - June 9
 - July 14
 - Aug 11
 - Sept 8
 - Oct 13
 - Nov 10
 - Dec 8, starting with Truth in Taxation

- Working Board Meetings: will be scheduled as needed

- Strategic Planning Committee Meetings: 6:00 p.m. in the H.S. Media Center
 - Feb 3, Monday
 - March 3, Monday
 - April 22, Tuesday
 - May 19, Monday
 - Other meetings may be added as needed

- Facilities, Activities & Transportation Committee meetings: Mondays at 5:00 p.m. in the H.S. Boardroom
 - Feb 10
 - May 12
 - as needed

- Finance, Personnel & Negotiations Committee meetings: Mondays at 5:00 p.m. in the H.S. Boardroom
 - March 3
 - June 9
 - November 10

- Policy Committee meetings: Mondays at 5:00 p.m. in the H. S. Boardroom
 - March 10
 - July 14
 - Sept 8
 - Dec 8

- Curriculum Committee: meetings to be determined
- C. The Board Chair assigned 2025 committee appointments. No motion was required.
- D. **Motion** by Unkelhaeuser, **seconded** by Hultgren and **unanimously carried** to approve setting Board members' pay for 2025 with no change from 2024 as follows:
- Chair - \$90/mo.
 - Vice Chair / Treasurer – no pay unless acting chair, then \$90/mo.
 - School Related Workshops - \$60 half day (4 hrs or less), \$90 full day
 - Board Negotiations - \$65 half day (4 hrs or less), \$100 full day
 - Per Meeting - \$60
- E. **Motion** by Unkelhaeuser, **seconded** by Poirier and **unanimously carried** to approve the 2025 mileage rate for travel at \$.70/mi.
- F. **Motion** by Bonneville, **seconded** by Unkelhaeuser and **unanimously carried** to approve the per diem for overnight travel meals for 2025 as follows:
- Breakfast = \$25
 - Lunch = \$25
 - Dinner = \$40
- G. **Motion** by Poirier, **seconded** by Unkelhaeuser and **unanimously carried** to approve Pemberton Law as the 2025 school attorneys and giving permission to the Superintendent and Board Chair to contact them as needed.
- H. **Motion** by Bonneville, **seconded** by Poirier and **unanimously carried** to approve the official depositories for District funds for 2025 as follows: Northview Bank, Barnum Branch, and Minnesota Trust.
- I. **Motion** by Poirier, **seconded** by Unkelhaeuser and **unanimously carried** to approve the Moose Lake Star Gazette as the official newspaper for 2025.
- J. **Motion** by Poirier, **seconded** by Unkelhaeuser and **unanimously carried** to approve the RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BUSINESS MANAGER AND DISTRICT ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT TO ASSIST IN THE DUTIES OF TREASURER AND CLERK FOR THE BARNUM SCHOOL BOARD.
- K. **Motion** by Bonneville, **seconded** by Poirier and **unanimously carried** to approve authority for the Superintendent, Business Manager and District Administrative Assistant to:
- Use the School Board Chair, Clerk and Treasurer's electronic and stamped signatures.

- Make electronic fund transfers to designated depositories.
- Invest School District funds.

L. Reviewed the following school board policies:

- Public Participation in School Board Meetings Policy 206
- Code of Ethics Policy 209
- Conflict of Interest Policy 210

Future Meetings:

- A. Strategic Planning Committee Meeting, Monday, February 3, 2025, 6:00 p.m., H. S. Media Center
- B. Facilities Committee Meeting, Monday, February 10, 2025, 5:00 p.m., H.S. Boardroom
- C. School Board Meeting, Monday, February 10, 2025, 6:00 p.m., H. S. Media Center

Adjournment:

Motion by Bonneville, **seconded** by Poirier and **unanimously carried** to approve adjournment of the meeting at 5:58 p.m.


Dawn Hultgren, School Board Clerk