

## **POWERS SCHOOL DISTRICT 31**

Regular Board Meeting Minutes

April 27, 2026

Powers High School Library

### **ORDER**

Chairman Ramsey Bushnell called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Board members present were Jeff Allred, Eric Aleskus, Cheryl Dombrose, and Eric Anderson. Others present Superintendent Boyd Bjorkquist, Business Manager Marissa Zoubek, and Athletic Director Gabe Shorb. Visiting delegations were Lisa Hendon, Olivia Shorb, Ember Schrag, Christian Petrie, Dennis Callahan, Skyler Pina, and Peggy Stallard.

### **MEETING BUSINESS**

Jeff Allred made a motion to approve the agenda with the addition of Action Item E, Request to continue Administration classes. Cheryl Dombrose seconded the motion; it passed unanimously.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Olivia, Ember, Christian, Dennis, and Skyler represented the 6<sup>th</sup> grade class. They discussed the trip that they fundraised for to go to Sun River. They are going to the Newberry National Volcanic Monument, High Desert Museum, and doing other fun things. They requested that the district pay for the transportation costs. The school board agreed.

Gabe Shorb discussed the Close Up trip to Washington DC. There were 13 kids that went on the trip. They met kids from all over the country. He appreciated how much the community stepped up and donated for the trip. The next group is starting to fundraise for the trip in 2028.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Eric Anderson made a motion to approve the consent agenda which includes the minutes of the regular meeting on April 27, 2026 the board review of bills paid by the district, and the financial update. Jeff Allred seconded the motion; it passed unanimously.

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

A. Superintendent Bjorkquist reported on the following:

1. Contract Negotiations: The school board discussed contract negotiations. Eric Aleskus provided information regarding sick leave banks. Adding sick leave banks will need to be negotiated and added to contracts.
2. Budget Meetings and Budget Member Vacancy: There is still a vacant position on the budget committee. Budget meetings will be on May 11 and May 18.
3. Audit Report: The final audit report for the 2024-2025 was shared in the packet.
4. Audit RFP: There were three proposals submitted for the audit RFP. Marissa, Boyd, Jeff and Cheryl reviewed the proposals. The audit firm Sorren was chosen to be the auditor for the 2025-2026 school year.
5. Elementary Events: There was an Art Fair held at the elementary gym. Primary students attended an Early Literacy event at SWOCC. The high school hosted a carnival for elementary students.
6. ESD Behavioral Support: Angie Halverson, from the ESD, conducted training regarding working with students with behavioral issues. There have been three in-service days with training sessions with the aides. Angie has been in the district every two weeks to observe classrooms. She provides advice on how to handle different situations. She is also giving recommendations on how to build the best programs to support the students.
7. Calendar Items:
  - The North Bend concert band will be performing at the high school on Wednesday.
  - Lisa Hendon took a group of students to a job fair at Marshfield.
  - The Junior/Senior banquet went well. It is a neat tradition.
  - There were 22 students at Prom. They had a great time and were well behaved. KamBria Swenson did a great job planning the event.
  - There was an Armed Services day recently. Representatives from three branches spoke to the junior high and high school students.
8. Other: Boyd and Peg discussed the plan to visit Heritage Hall at Marshfield. They would like to start something similar at the high school. It would contain pictures from the past and essentially be a timeline from over the years. Peggy is going to assist with putting together a design.

### **DEAN OF STUDENTS**

There was no Dean of Students report.

## **ATHLETIC DIRECTOR**

Gabe Shorb gave the Athletic Director report:

- The weight room project is almost complete.
- The softball team is currently ranked #5.
- There are a few girls playing softball and participating in track. There could potential be a conflict with state track and a state playoff game in softball. The OSAA will have to give approval to change the date of a softball game, so there would not be a conflict.
- The girls and boys are doing well in track.
- The junior high track team is doing well. There are currently 16 athletes participating.
- The football schedule for next fall has been completed.
- The volleyball schedule needs a few more games added.
- He is working on the basketball schedules. He is trying to maximize travel by scheduling neutral site games. The boys will likely play a JV schedule.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

- A. Eric Anderson made a motion to open the public hearing for the Supplemental Budget. Eric Aleskus seconded the motion; it passed unanimously.  
Public testimony was held. There were no comments.  
Cheryl Dombrose made a motion to close the public hearing. Eric Anderson seconded the motion; it passed unanimously.  
Jeff Allred made a motion to adopt the Supplemental Budget with Resolution #04-25-26. Cheryl Dombrose seconded the motion; it passed unanimously.
- B. Jeff Allred made a motion to accept the resignation of Brad Allred as the head high school boys basketball coach. Eric Anderson seconded the motion; it passed unanimously.  
Eric Anderson made a motion to accept the resignation of Marissa Zoubek as the head high school volleyball coach. Cheryl Dombrose seconded the motion; it passed unanimously.
- C. The first reading of proposed policies CBG, EBB, GBA, GBN/JBA, and JBA/GBN was held. The second reading and possible adoption will be held at the next regularly scheduled meeting.
- D. Jeff Allred made a motion to approve the 2024-2025 audit report. Cheryl Dombrose seconded the motion; it passed unanimously.
- E. Eric Anderson made a motion to approve the additional administrative classes for Heather Shorb; Cheryl Dombrose seconded the motion; it passed unanimously.

## **GOOD OF THE ORDER**

There will be an executive session before the next school board meeting.  
The need to save funds for replacing the gym floor was discussed.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:27 pm. The next regularly scheduled meeting is May 18, 2026 at 7:00 pm.

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Board Chairman

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Clerk