

BRUNING-DAVENPORT U.S.D.

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BOLTS: "Building Outstanding Leaders for Tomorrow's Society"

FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT: We are about six weeks through the school year. Its been a reasonably smooth transition considering all the new faces and life events.

Our new nurse is Lacey Wagner. She will be in the building 2 days week. That includes some time at Shickley.

The 23-24 school budget was submitted this morning. The tax rate will be .479 (pennies) mill levy rate. Last year it was 50 but property valuations went up considerably this past year.

Board talking points and upcoming projects: Card key entrance capability and a school wide camera system. This would be paid for with building funds. The Bruning Building Fund has \$410,000 and the Davenport Building Fund has \$440,000. We may be able to also use ESSER (covid) money and possible grants.

New vehicles, including a bus, 1-2 vans/suburbans, 1-2 cars and a possible pickup truck. This would be funded out of the Depreciation Account, which currently has \$750,000. We also need some HVAC work done in Bruning and weight room updates (building funds). The Activity Fund accounts have (Bruning \$254,000 and Davenport \$140,000.)

About me and Barb: I grew up in Western Kansas, wheat and cattle country. Undergraduate degree from Bethany College in Kansas and Graduate degrees from Kansas University, Fort Hays State and West Texas A&M. Taught and coached for 26 years in Kansas.

I always wanted to coach football in Texas so I did that for seven years and then spent seven years as a Superintendent in Kansas. I like to exercise and do farm work.

My greatest career blessing is having the good fortune to have been coached by/with and mentored by several Hall of Fame Teachers and Coaches.

My wife Barb is an interior designer and avid rancher. She owns three heifers and would eventually like to get her barn full of animals back. She loves to cook and is becoming very popular around town for her chicken noodles. Beenie the Dash hound goes everywhere with her.

Our greatest blessing are our five children and their families. Aaron lives in Nashville, Megan lives in Colorado Springs, Brian lives in Dodge City, Brandon lives in Hutchinson, Kansas and Jason lives in Heaven.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL: Walt Disney once said, "The way to get started is to quit talking and begin doing." This quote resonates with me because we are now in the thick of the school year – over halfway through the first quarter. What is it we want to accomplish this year? Improve test scores, increase intellectual growth, or maybe nourish relationships? How can we "do" in order to accomplish these things?

As I have walked around the school throughout the last month, I have witnessed a lot of doing. Tests are being taken and lessons are being learned. Students are working diligently as teachers model and guide them to learn new things. Here at Bruning-Davenport, our mission is to Build Outstanding Leaders for Tomorrows Society (BOLTS). It is through our doing every day that we are striving to achieve this mission.

Please take the time to ask your children what kind of "doing" they are experiencing each day. What can you "do" at home to help them? Together we will truly build outstanding leaders! **Ruth Kowalski, High School and PreK-1st grades Principal**

FROM THE PRINCIPAL: The school year is in high gear and there seems to always be something going on! Our Junior High football and volleyball teams are working hard both on and off the playing surface! They are doing a good job of showing that there's a reason the word student is listed first in the term "student-athlete." They have proven that their teachers, coaches, and teammates can count on them.

The Elementary has been busy with activities as well. They all had a wonderful trip to the State Fair. The students got to have a fun time but were definitely worn out from all the activity upon returning home. The 4th graders also got to attend Ag Venture Day in Geneva where they had an exciting time.

I would like to personally thank all the parents that helped us out tremendously by making sure they returned their Homecoming dismissal forms. Dismissal seemed to run very smooth, which was aided by the information that we had. The weather couldn't have been better for the pep rally and the boys played a great game!

I hope to see and meet many of you, if we haven't already, at Parent-Teacher Conferences on October 5th. *JJ Wagner, Davenport Elementary & Middle School Principal*



PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

OCTOBER 5 AT THE BRUNING BUILDING

4:00-8:00pm



MILO DAYS: The FFA and the Bruning Davenport High School Band did an excellent job of representing the school at the Milo Day Parade.

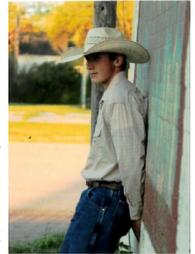


MEET A SENIOR

Gatlin Hinrichs is the son of Tammy & Jered Hinrichs. Gatlin has one sister Elizabeth. Gatlin is involved in FFA, NHS, Golf and Student Council at Bruning-Davenport USD. His hobbies are hunting, fishing, working with old equipment and farming. Gatlin plans to attend CCC Hastings for Diesel Tech. His favorite food is Spaghetti Bake, His favorite TV show is Roadkill Garage, his favorite song is *Thirteen Silver Dollars* by Colter Wall and his favorite place to go to be alone is the tractor. The most influential person in his life has been is father. "Because we work on the farm together so we talk a lot and he teaches me a lot while working" says Gatlin.



Wyatt Ozenbaugh is the son of Katrina & Mitchell Ozenbaugh. He has two sisters, Karolyn and Cynthia. Wyatt is involved in FFA NHS, Letter Club, Student Council, Football, Track, BDS Legion Baseball and Quiz Bowl. He is involved in St. John's Lutheran Church in Ohio and the Sons of the American Legion Post 193. He enjoys hunting, fishing, camping, bonfires, kayaking, cowboy things, farming, driving, sports and listening to music. Wyatt's future plans are to attend NCTA at Curtis and to finish at UNL and he has already joined the National Guard.. His favorite food is a medium rare ribeye steak, his favorite TV show is Supernatural, his favorite song is *He Rides the Wild Horses* by Chris Ledoux and his favorite place to go to be alone is a country pasture. The most influential person in his life is his Dad. "He has taught me almost everything I know. From how to farm all the way to being a man, and even when I get yelled at I still learn something" says Wyatt. He would also like people to know that there is nothing better than a cool fall night spent by a fire and country music.



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Grade	Name	Date
12	Rose Cowart	5
PreK	Berklee Voss	10
PreK	Blake Philippi	15
2	Ryder Schulte	17
	Cameron Freitag	17
6	Cambrie Linscomb	18
1	Rexton Elting	21
PreK	Easton Messman	21
8	Emma Hoins	22
PreK	Darcy Schoenholz	22



Grade	Name	Date
3	Kaelyn Schoenholz	22
3	Korah Schoenholz	22
	Beth Ardissono	23
	Holly Schoming	23
4	Allison Mussman	25
4	Barrett Mussman	25
	Amanda Barney	27
8	Eva Oltmans	29
	Ruth Kowalski	29
11	Addison Brase	30

HOMECOMING 2023



Queen Alexa Houser & King Jaron Norder

Senior Attendants: Rosie Cowart & Wyatt Ozenbaugh

Junior Attendants: Karolyn Ozenbaugh & Paxton Cox

Sophomore Attendants: Elizabeth Hinrichs & Taylor McBride

Freshman Attendants: Cynthia Ozenbaugh & LeTrell Houser

FFA: Members spent the day, Wednesday September 13 at Husker Harvest Days learning about career opportunities, making connections with industry professionals, looking at new equipment and technologies, and checking out colleges! They also donated canned food to the United Way food Drive.



AG VENTURE DAY: BD FFA Officers attended Ag Venture Day in Geneva. These officers showed their leadership skills by helping lead groups of 4th graders. This year 190 Fourth graders from area schools participated! Thank you to Nebraska Extension and Nebraska Cattlewomen for putting on this event.



NATIONAL HONOR

SOCIETY: The NHS students got to spend some time doing classroom activities with out Kindergarten and 1st grade students!



STA TE FAIR: The 2nd, 3rd, and 4th graders took their annual field trip to the Nebraska State Fair on August 29. At the fair, the kids were able to watch pig races, a BMX bike show, visit the petting zoo, and the birthing pavilion to see the baby animals born during the fair.



FFA and Agriculture Education Update: The Bruning-Davenport FFA and Agriculture classes have been busy in the month of September. To start off the month, the FFA decorated a float for the Milo Days parade. FFA officer seniors (Jaron Norder, Tanner Bolte, Wyatt Ozenbaugh, Gatlin Hinrichs) assisted the Nebraska Cattlewomen and Nebraska Extension at Ag Venture day in Geneva. These members led groups of fourth graders from station to station where they learned about different areas of agriculture. Many members of the FFA chapter attended Husker Harvest Days in Grand Island where they got to meet and talk to many representatives of the agriculture industry. They learned about career opportunities, made connections with industry professionals, looked at new equipment and technologies, and checked out colleges. The last thing our chapter did this month was compete at our area range judging competition. At range judging, members identify range plants and their characteristics. Members also completed a ranch map problem.



We had a busy month in September, and we will continue to stay busy as we have many more competitions and conventions upcoming.

Peyton Domeier,
BD FFA
Reporter



Hello from Mrs. Stewart, Intervention/Title I Teacher: What a joy it has been to work at Bruning Davenport Schools for grades K-5. I would like to invite you to a Title 1 annual meeting during parent teacher conferences, on Thursday, October 5. Please stop by at the Bruning School, and I will tell you all about the Title One program. You may visit me anytime that is convenient for you during the afternoon and evening. I will have a parent sign in sheet and parent involvement handouts. I will have a treat for the students. I am looking forward to meeting you and sharing information about Title 1.

What are the goals of the Title 1 Program?

- Improve Teaching and Learning
- Enable participating students to meet the Nebraska State Standards.
- Funding received through Title I coordinates with and supplements the regular education program.

Parent involvement and support

Key information to be shared during the annual meeting

- Title I purpose: What Title I is and what it looks like at our school.
 - Curriculum & assessments
 - Funding
 - Parent Involvement
- Review the School-Parent Compact

What's Happening @ Your Library Our new school year is well underway & students are busy reading! We welcome Mrs. Natalie Hinrichs to our libraries as our library paraprofessional! She is busy with learning the aspects of our libraries as well as growing library users in the Bruning building. Mrs. Hinrichs will be hosting our first book fair of the year, which will be held during the week of Parent-Teacher conferences. Everyone is encouraged to come visit the fair in the Bruning school's library & check out the new book selections. We will be open from 1-4:30PM on Monday through Wednesday. On Thursday, we will be open starting at 1PM until parent-teacher conferences are over at 8PM. All purchases benefit our libraries! Due to having book fairs, we are able to obtain new titles, replace worn out titles, & get other items for our libraries...all for free! Thank you!
Mrs. Dolnicek, district librarian

Play Production is officially in full swing. I am joined this year by our new English teacher, Mrs. Morgan Beals. We have had plenty of people offer to help from the community as well. We have started a little slower this year to try to prevent early burn out. Something I hope will pay off and not hurt us in the long run. After giving the students some choices of One Act plays to perform for contest, they chose the play I wrote. I am both honored and nervous as we head into this season. I asked the students to name my play and they chose "Poison". Our first performance will be at Conference contest on Wednesday, November 15th. We have started our early morning practices and set builds and soon we will be painting art scenes.

This year, we are very excited to implement an 8th grade program. Though the 8th graders are not allowed to act on stage, they can help behind the scenes and see what being a part of drama and play production is about. It also allows our Seniors the opportunity to mentor them, with hopes that their shoes are not so hard to fill when they graduate and move on.

We are looking for some items for our set. We need fall leaf garlands, artificial grass carpet, an old Victorian arm chair with a velvet covered seat and barn door(s) for our play this year. If anyone has any of these items we can have or borrow, please contact me, Shannon Collier or the Bruning School. Stay tuned for more details on our 2nd annual Movie Night, our annual Soup Supper and public performance as well as other ways you can help make this years production a success. We couldn't do what we do without the tireless hours these students put in, and all the amazing support we receive from you. Thank you.



The Bruning-Davenport Beef Boosters would like to thank Norder Supply for the monetary donation towards purchasing Nebraska raised beef from McLean Beef for our school lunch program. Since the start of the program in January of 2016, Bruning-Davenport Beef Boosters has purchased over 20,000 pounds of beef. A huge thank you to Amanda and DeEtta for the great nutritious beef meals served to our students. Please consider getting involved in the Bruning-Davenport Beef Boosters program by making a tax-deductible monetary contribution. For further information contact Gina Hudson, Jodi Weber or Jeff Hoins.



*Camp Spook 2023, Saturday October, 14, Alexandria State Lakes Trick-or-treaters welcome 6-10
Alexandria Presbyterian Church will be serving hot chocolate &
apple cider for free will donation.
Game and Parks permits are required to drive in.*



GENERAL FUND BILLS

9/11/23

7464	Internal Revenue Service	42,561.67	18856	Heartland Roofing Consultants	978.75
7465	Nebraska Department of Revenue	6,591.13	18857	JW Pepper	286.98
7466	Nebraska Public Employees Retirement System	36,894.80	18858	Lichti's Inc	479.95
18828	AFLAC	293.02	18859	Matheson Tri-Gas Inc	927.14
18829	AFLAC	70.26	18860	Midwest Petroleum Equipment LLC	446.00
18830	American Funds Service Company	800.00	18861	Mierau & Co., Inc	675.00
18831	Ameritas Life Insurance	304.12	18862	Missy Rohr	69.34
18832	Ameritas Life Insurance (10 Month)	72.86	18863	NE Council of School Administrators	240.00
18833	Blue Cross Blue Shield	55,462.58	18864	Noakes Heating & Air Conditioning Servi	1,718.55
18834	Blue Cross Blue Shield (10 Month)	3,651.04	18865	Nutrien Ag Solutions	52.96
18835	Cornerstone Bank	2,494.23	18866	NWEA	125.00
18836	Horace Mann Life Insurance Company	850.00	18867	One Source	18.00
18837	PayFlex Account #304734	1,414.33	18868	Ruth Kowalski	134.43
18838	Apple, Inc.	69.00	18869	School Specialty LLC	1,801.33
18839	Bowman Electric LLC	738.50	18870	Smith Repair	65.00
18840	Bruning Grocery Inc	59.89	18871	Striv, Inc	1,300.00
18841	Bruning Grocery Inc	10.18	18872	Teacher Created Resources	38.93
18842	Bruning Lumber Co.	155.60	18873	Teacher Synergy LLC	30.64
18843	Bruning Motor Service	839.50	18874	Thayer County Health Services	162.00
18844	Burton Enterprises, LLC	29.50	18875	The Hebron Journal Register	80.53
18845	Daina Philippi	21.62	18876	Tom's Music House	323.02
18846	DAS State Accounting - Central Finance	267.63	18877	Village of Bruning	1,100.38
18847	Davenport Building Supply	39.97	18878	Village of Davenport	2,451.98
18848	DPL Enterprises Inc	894.21	18879	Wells Fargo Payment Remittance Center	1,676.41
18849	Eakes Office Plus	1,467.87	18880	Wells Fargo Payment Remittance Center	114.83
18850	Educational Service Unit #5	78,565.00			
18851	ESU Coordination Council	880.00			
18852	Fiber Platform, LLC	647.50		Payable Checks	252,983.48
18853	Fillmore County Medical Center	226.00		Payroll	141,801.42
18854	Galaway's Garage	1,238.72		Total	394,784.90
18855	Gaylen Energy Supply	75.60			

President Jerry Baysinger called the Budget Hearing to order at 7:15 p.m. on September 11, 2023. Superintendent Kelly Lampe presented two options for the Proposed Budget for the 2023-2024 school year. The consensus was to adopt the original Budget as presented. A meeting to possibly adopt a 7% increase in tax authority was scheduled for September 18, 2023. President Baysinger adjourned the Budget Hearing at 7:30 p.m.

President Baysinger called the Tax Levy Hearing to order at 7:31 p.m. After discussion and no public comment, President Baysinger adjourned the meeting at 7:34 p.m.

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE REGULAR UNIFIED SCHOOL BOARD MEETING – The Unified Board of Education met in Bruning on September 11, 2023. Pursuant to laws and notices posted at Bruning-Davenport Schools, Cornerstone Bank, Bruning Bank, Bruning Post Office, Davenport Post Office, and also published in The Hebron Journal-Register on September 7, 2023; all proceedings were taken while the meeting was open to the public.

President Jerry Baysinger called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m. Unified members present were Jeff Hoins, Sarah Krehnke, Ryan Miller, and Sheri Norder. Local board members present were Pat Kowalski. Also present were Superintendent Kelly Lampe, Principal Jonathon Wagner, Sara Dierking, Brent Houchin, Cammie Freitag, Emily Miller, Krissy Ozenbaugh, Whitney Miller, Logan Paup, Logan Zeleny, Jennifer Krupicka, Maggie Vyhnaek, Alexa Houser, and Gatlin Hinrichs.

Sarah Krehnke moved to excuse the absence of Unified Board member, Jamie Koch, seconded by Sheri Norder.

President Baysinger welcomed all guests and recognized the Open Meetings Act.

Public Forum was opened and the floor was given to a couple of parents and students.

The Consent Agenda included the agenda, August 28, 2023, Unified Board meeting minutes, Treasurer's Report, and the September claims. Jeff Hoins moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, seconded by Ryan Miller. Roll call vote (5-0)

New Business: (All motions require a roll call vote and all are carried 5-0 unless noted.)

- A. No changes were made to the school's Out of District Transportation Policy.
- B. Miller moved to allow the Seniors to add an extra night (3) for their Senior Sneak to Wyoming. The motion was seconded by Hoins.
- C. 8th-grade students will be allowed to assist behind the scenes in the High School One-Act Play.
- D. Weight room usage policy was tabled for more information
- E. Norder moved to approve the transfer of \$25,000.00 to each of the Activity funds from the General Fund. The motion was seconded by Krehnke.
- F. Approve the 2023-2024 Budget was tabled until after the September 18, 2023 Resolution Hearing.
- G. Approve the 2023-2024 Tax Levy was also tabled.

Discussion Items:

- A. Memorial Tree was authorized to be planted on the Davenport campus in honor of Ryker & Nicole Pavelka.
- B. Option Enrollment Policy – no discussion needed
- C. Transportation committee report – No action needed
- D. Security Camera Project Request for Proposal will proceed.
- E. Cell Phone Policy – No changes or actions needed

Superintendent Lampe reported on the Blue Valley Foster Grandparent Program, which provides volunteer services that address community needs and serve children in school settings – He also reported on the NASB Conference November 15-17, 2023.

Principal Wagner reported on the following items: Bus evacuation, Fire, and Tornado drills all went well on August 31 – 2nd, 3rd, and 4th graders went to the State Fair (no issues reported) – Homecoming Pep Rally sent notes home for dismissal – He also reported on the upcoming events.

Krehnke moved to enter executive session “to prevent needless injury to an individual” at 8:33 P.M., seconded by Norder.

Miller made the motion to come out of Executive Session at 8:47 p.m., seconded by Norder.

Hoins moved, seconded by Miller to adjourn the meeting at 8:48 p.m.

Sara Dierking, Recording Secretary

LUNCH MENU



October 2023

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	 2 Beef & Cheddar on Bun Curly Fries Strawberries & Bananas	3 Goulash Corn Peas	4 Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes/Gravy Green Beans Dinner Roll	5 Biscuits & Sausage Gravy Sausage Patty Hashbrowns Juice Cup	6 NO SCHOOL	7
8	9 Super Nachos Lettuce/Cheese/Salsa Corn Garlic Bread	10 BBQ Pork on a Bun Baked Beans Applesauce Cup	11 Chicken & Gravy w/Mashed Potatoes Bread Slice Cooked Carrots	12 Taterot Casserole Green Beans Bread Slice	13 Cheeseburgers French Fries Jello Cup Cookie	14
15	 16 Flying Saucers Peas Bread Slice	17 Club Sandwich Chips & Salsa Corn Rice Crispy Bar	18 Chicken Bacon Ranch Casserole Green Beans Breadstick	19 Cheeseburger Soup Carrots Cinnamon Roll	20 NO SCHOOL	21
22	23 Polish Dog Tater Tots Broccoli w/cheese	24 Quesadillas Lettuce/Cheese/Salsa Corn Rice Crispy Bar	25 Chicken Wings Cheesy Potatoes Celery	26 Egg & Sausage Bagel Hashbrowns Grapes/Juice Cup	27 Pizza Lettuce Salad Pineapple	28
29	30 Mac N' Cheese w/Smokies Cooked Carrots Muffin	31 HALLOWEEN Shredded Chicken on a Bun Chips Baked Beans			Davenport: --F/V Bar Daily --Chef Salad Meal Options 5-8 Only & Adults	
	Bruning: --F/V Bar --Salad Bar Available Daily		GRAB AND GO BREAKFAST SERVED DAILY Milk served with ALL Meals		*Menu Subject to Change* *Second Entrée - \$1.00* EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER	

BRUNING-DAVENPORT USD ACTIVITY CALENDAR

October 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	JV FB vs. Gilmer @ Shickley 6:00PM JH FB @ Tri Co. 4:30PM HS VB @ Silver Lake JV, V 5:00/6:00PM	VB Tri East Butler/Osceola @ Shickley (V) 5:00/7:00PM	Art Classes to Hastings Mural Day FFA Dist Land Judging	SKIP Flu Clinic 9:30am School Dismissal @ 2:22 P/T Conferences @ Bru bldg 4 8PM JH FB @ Tri-County 4:30PM	No School Teacher In-Service FFA Alumni Hamburger Feed HS FB vs. Diller-Odell @ Bru 7:00PM	
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	JH VB vs. Blue Hill @ Shickley 1:00PM JV FB McCool Jct @ Bru 6:30 School Board Meeting 7:30pm	JV FB vs. McCool @ Shickley 6:30 VB Tri McCool Jct @ Dorchester 5:30/6:30	SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR PSAT - Juniors	HS FB vs. HTRS @ Humboldt 7:00PM VB Tri High Plains @ Law-Nel 5:00/6:00PM	End of 1st Quarter	CRC VB TBA JH CRC VB @ York Auditorium TBA
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
	CRC VB TBA	CRC VB TBA	FFA Dist Livestock Eval CD2 @ York	Picture retake day State FB Playoffs 1st Round	No School	
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
	VB Sub Districts Sophomores to Career Fair	VB Sub Districts			State FB Playoffs 2nd Round	VB Districts
29	30	31				
	SE NE Elem Fall Quiz Bowl 4:00PM	FFA Natl Convention				

September '23

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November '23

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ALL DATES & TIMES SUBJECT TO CHANGE

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NEWSLETTER
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BOXHOLDER/RURAL PATRON