BEAR LAKE SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
MEDIA CENTER
July 15, 2026
7:00 PM

MEMBERS PRESENT:
President, Eric Smith; Vice President, Shad Buckner; Secretary, Robert Gauthier; Trustees, Josh Groenwald, Josh Leffew, and Marissa Lineberry

MEMBERS ABSENT:
Treasurer, Connie Ledford

CALL TO ORDER
Board President Eric Smith called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

AGENDA
The agenda was adopted as presented.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION
None

CORRESPONDENCE
NMSLA Dinner Invitation

BOARD REPORTS
Sarah Harless presented the Principal's Report.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT
A. Depositories of School Funds
B. Appointment of Legal Counsel
C. Miscellaneous Memberships
D. Apptegy Quote
E. Transportation Contract
F. Student Handbook Changes
G. Employee Handbook Changes
H. Thrun Policy Update
I. Operating Millage Renewal
J. Spicer Group
K. NMSLA

BUSINESS ITEMS FOR ACTION
Moved by Buckner, supported by Lineberry, that the Consent Calendar Items B & C be approved as presented; carried 6-0.

Moved by Buckner, supported by Lineberry, that the Treasurer's Report of monies on hand

General Fund	*$355,025.35*
Food Service Fund	*4,999.29*
Debt Retirement Funds	*0.00*
Capital Projects	*0.00*
Total All Funds	*$360,024.64*

be accepted that bills totaling $360,024.64 and check numbers 128401-128455 to be approved for payment; carried 6-0.

Moved by Buckner, supported by Lineberry, that the minutes of the regular business meeting held June 10, 2026, be approved as presented; carried 6-0.

Moved by Buckner, supported by Lineberry, that the minutes of the closed business meeting held June 10, 2026, be approved as presented; carried 6-0.

Moved by Gauthier, supported by Groenwald, to approve the depositories of school funds for the 2006/2027 school year as recommended; carried 6-0.

Moved by Buckner, supported by Leffew, to approve Thrun Law as the appointment of legal counsel for the 2026/2027 school year as recommended; carried 6-0.

Moved by Groenwald, supported by Lineberry, to approve the miscellaneous memberships for the 2026/2027 school year as recommended; carried 6-0.

Moved by Gauthier, supported by Leffew, to approve the quote from Apptegy in the amount of $13,650.00 for the setup and maintenance of the district's website, as presented; carried 6-0.

Moved by Buckner, supported by Groenwald, to approve the transportation contract between Kaleva Norman Dickson School District and Bear Lake Schools as presented; 6-0.

Moved by Groenwald, supported by Lineberry, to approve the student handbook changes as presented; carried 6-0.

Moved by Lineberry, supported by Buckner, to approve the employee handbook changes as presented; carried 6-0.

Moved by Gauthier, supported by Leffew, to accept the June/July 2026 Thrun Policy Update as presented; carried 6-0.

Moved by Lineberry, supported by Buckner, to accept the Operating Millage Renewal Proposal as presented; carried 6-0.

CLOSED SESSION
Moved by Buckner supported by Lineberry to move into closed session at 8:06 PM for the purpose of discussing BLEA negotiations.

Roll Call Vote:	Ayes	Nays	
Eric Smith	__x__	_____	
Shad Buckner	__x__	_____	
Bob Gauthier	__x_	_____	
Connie Ledford	_____	_____	(abs)
Josh Groenwald	__x__	_____	
Josh Leffew	__x__	_____	
Marissa Lineberry	__x__	_____	

carried 6-0.

Moved by Leffew, supported by Buckner, to reconvene to open session at 8:15 PM; carried 6-0.

Moved by Lineberry, supported by Leffew, to accept the BLEA 2026-2029 Contract as presented; carried 6-0.

BOARD REQUESTS
Gauthier inquired about the status of the fencing to be installed around the dumpsters.

ADJOURNMENT
Moved by Buckner, supported by Lineberry, to adjourn at 8:21 p.m. with no objections.

Board Secretary ___________________________