



**Valentine Dinner!** The people who attended the Valentine Dinner and Dance, sponsored by the Restoring Bronte Foundation, were able to enjoy a delicious meal prepared by Reese and Ashley Braswell. The meal was held at the Blue Goose in downtown Bronte. Following the meal, the couples adjourned next door to dance then night away at the Kickapoo Creek Lodge. This the second Valentine event in what promises to be a new annual tradition in Bronte.



**...BISD Board Meeting Minutes**

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January is School Board Recognition Month. Many students and classes at BISD made different crafts or treats for the board members and all were greatly appreciated. Students from the business and marketing classes have designed billboard designs for the district billboard in San Angelo. Each design presented had different positive elements. The board picked their top 3 designs and asked that Mrs. Chumney take

elements from each design and combine for the billboard.  
Principal's Report  
A. Update on Student Activities: Mr. Barton gave an update on school activities. He advised the new Chromebooks have been handed out to 9-12 students who chose to receive these laptops- 67 students received these new computers and will be looking into handing the additional laptops out to the 8th grade students. He also advised he is looking at an automotive class out of Howard in partnership with Christoval ISD. He will keep

everyone updated on this exciting idea. The Coke County Stock Show will be held January 20-21st and Friday, January 20th will be a school holiday.  
B. Student Counts: Mr. Barton presented the BISD student counts. 267 total students including 138 in elementary and 129 in 7th- 12th grade. ADA is at 96.22%.  
Superintendent's Report  
A. Financial Report: Mr. Siler gave an update on Bronte ISD's financial information. As of the

meeting we are currently at 36% of calendar year and 53% of school year. He advised this will be Bronte ISD's last year having a contract with Fairview and will be instead looking to have that need taken care of internally. He also advised there have been no major expenses so far even with the new technology purchases made.  
B. May Board Election Update: May Board election will take place May 6th. The first day to

file will be January 18th and the last day will be February 17th. Information has been posted in the newspaper, online, and at the school. The paperwork to file is located in the superintendent's office.  
C. Technology Program Update: The Chromebooks have been passed out to students to be used as a communication tool and to add to students experience and skills. It's a very new and exciting time with technology at Bronte ISD!

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