

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE REGULAR UNIFIED SCHOOL BOARD MEETING – The Unified Board of Education met in Davenport on February 9, 2026. 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 February 4, 2026; all proceedings were taken while the meeting was open to the public.

President Baysinger called the meeting to order at 7:32 pm. Unified members present were Sarah Krehnke, Ryan Miller, Aaron Oltmans, Trey Strong and Brad Williams. Local board members present were Baxter Beals, Tony Norder, Ryne Philippi, Lon Schoenholz, and Derek Shaner. Also present were Superintendent Kelly Lampe, Principal Melinda Kerwood, Principal Ruth Kowalski, Erika Brinegar, Adam Bruning, Chad & Larae Buresh, Elizabeth Hinrichs, Lichelle Houchin, Lauryn Koch, Eva Oltmans, Heather Ramsey, Brooke Soukup, Neil Voss, and Toby Voss.

Baysinger welcomed all guests and recognized the Open Meetings Act and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Public Forum – Representatives from Kinder Academy provided an update on the proposed building addition. Seniors presented their Senior Sneak trip.

The Consent Agenda included the agenda, minutes of the January 12, 2026, Unified Board meeting, Treasurer’s Report, and the February claims. Sarah Krehnke moved, seconded by Aaron Oltmans, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Roll Call Vote (6-0)

Principal Kerwood’s report – JH boys’ basketball and the Quiz Bowl teams are in action – SPED department is working hard at developing our Targeted Improvement Plan – praised the 84% decrease in office referrals from first to third quarter – 4th grade will be going on a field trip to the State Capitol

Principal Kowalski’s report – Finishing up NWEA testing – SAC Field Trip was educational, and received praise from the staff on the behavior of our students

President’s report – Architects are completing the Shickley facilities study. A Building and Grounds Committee meeting will be scheduled soon. – reviewed the school’s chain of command when an issue arises

Superintendent Lampe’s report – discussion was held with Fillmore Central about sharing services – looking at getting a new mini bus and 42 passenger bus at the end of the year – looking at a plan to open the weight deck to the public outside of school hours – financials are looking good

Discussion Items – Consider Discuss and take all necessary action

A. Discussed a Unified Board Member’s possible violation of Board Policy and Code of Ethics.

New Business: (All motions require a roll call vote and all carried 6-0 unless noted.)

- A. Brad Williams moved, seconded by Ryan Miller to approve Bruning Bank and Cornerstone Bank as designated financial institutions for Bruning-Davenport USD.
- B. Williams moved, seconded by Krehnke to approve the Hebron Journal-Register as the designated local paper for publications.
- C. Krehnke moved, seconded by Trey Strong, to approve Jerry Baysinger as a General Fund, Davenport Special Building Fund, and Davenport Depreciation Fund authorized bank account signer.
- D. Strong moved, seconded by Oltmans to approve removing Jamie Koch from General Fund, Davenport Building Fund, and Davenport Depreciation Fund Cornerstone Bank accounts.
- E. Miller moved, seconded by Strong, to approve Melinda Kerwood as a Davenport Activity Fund authorized bank account signer.
- F. Oltmans moved, seconded by Krehnke to approve removing Jonathon Wagner from the Davenport Activity Fund bank account.
- G. Williams moved, seconded by Strong, to approve Molly Nielsen as the Middle School Social Studies teacher for the 2026-2027 school year.
- H. Miller moved, seconded by Oltmans, to approve the Negotiated Agreement for the 2026-2027 school year.
- I. Williams moved, seconded by Krehnke, to approve the 2026-27 Master Calendar, as presented.
- J. Oltmans moved, seconded by Williams, to approve the Staff Appreciation Meal – April 17, 2026, at Charlie’s Pub in Milligan.
- K. Miller moved, seconded by Strong, to approve the Senior Sneak trip to Kansas City March 19 – March 23, 2026.
- L. Krehnke moved, seconded by Williams, to approve Spanish Distance Learning and SPED Contracts with ESU #5 for the 2026-27 school year.
- M. Williams moved, seconded by Oltmans, to approve the trade-in of the Coach Bus.
- N. Approve resignations – no action taken

Baysinger moved, seconded by Miller to go into executive session “to prevent needless injury to an individual” at 9:07 pm.

Strong moved, seconded by Miller to come out of executive session at 9:28 pm.

Williams moved, seconded by Oltmans to adjourn the meeting at 9:28 pm.