

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE REGULAR UNIFIED SCHOOL BOARD MEETING – The Unified Board of Education met in Davenport on May 12, 2025. 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 May 7, 2025; all proceedings were taken while the meeting was open to the public.

President Jamie Koch called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM. Unified members present were Sarah Krehnke, Ryan Miller, Sheri Norder, Ryne Philippi, and Brad Williams. Local board members present were Baxter Beals, Lon Schoenholz, Derek Shaner, and Trey Strong. Superintendent Kelly Lampe, Principal Ruth Kowalski, Erika Brinegar, Morgan Beals, Larae Buresh, Sharon Endorf, Robert McGinley, and Neil Voss were also present.

President Koch led the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance, welcomed all guests, and recognized the Open Meetings Act.

Sharon Endorf with NASB presented on the services that they offer to our school and school board.

Morgan Beals explained how we could use a 16' enclosed trailer and the want for a Middle School Speech team.

The Consent Agenda included the agenda, April 14, 2025, Unified Board meeting minutes, Treasurer's Report, and the May claims. Brad Williams moved, seconded by Ryne Philippi, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. (Roll call vote – 6-0)

Principal Kowalski reported on the following items – The PreK-12 Spring Concert went well – FFA Banquet was on April 25 and Toby Voss is the new FFA President – Successful Academic and Athletics Awards nights – Spring Academic All-State Awards: Kesson Dickson & Eli Weber – Boys Track, Karolyn Ozenbaugh & Maia Oltmans – Girls Track, Maia Oltmans & Karolyn Ozenbaugh – Music, Zechariah Szydlo & Braelynn Renz – Journalism – all 18 seniors graduated and received their diplomas on May 10th – K-4 & 8th grade last day is May 13 and 5-7 & 9-11th grade last day is May 16

Principal Wagner's Report – Congratulations to the JH track team for their successful season – JH Quiz Bowl team brought home 2nd place at the Seward competition – 8th graders went to Southeast Community College to tour their campus – Brooklyn Philippi brought home 1st place at the Eastern Nebraska Speech Meet in Omaha

Jamie Koch reported that there will be another Building and Grounds committee meeting to discuss the square footage needed for a new building and that the architects have completed walk-throughs at our current buildings.

Superintendent Lampe reported on the following items: Daycare garage renovation needs to be completed by August 1st and they are starting on the work – the need for some new vehicles for our fleet – looking for a metal detector to find the time capsule – last day for teachers is May 20

Discussion Items: (Consider, Discuss, and take all necessary action)

- A. Depreciation Fund – Bruning Bank
 - a. Williams moved, seconded by Ryan Miller, to approve closing the Depreciation Fund at Bruning Bank and moving the balance to the Depreciation Fund at Cornerstone Bank. (Roll Call Vote 6-0)

Action Items: (All motions require a roll call vote and are carried 6-0 unless noted.)

- A. Sarah Krehnke moved, seconded by Miller, to approve the ALICAP Insurance Resolution.
- B. Sheri Norder moved, seconded by Philippi, to approve Sterling and Gov Connection computer purchases for \$35,827, from the REAP fund.
- C. Philippi moved, seconded by Williams, to approve a 4% Classified staff pay raise for the 2025-2026 school year. (5-0, Norder abstained)
- D. Krehnke moved, seconded by Williams, to approve substitute pay increase: \$150/full-day, \$75/half-day, \$175/long-term, \$15.50/para/kitchen
- E. Miller moved, seconded by Krehnke, to approve the purchase of an enclosed trailer for \$8,200 from 81 Trailer Sales.

Norder moved, seconded by Williams, to enter executive session “to prevent needless injury to an individual” at 8:19 PM.

Williams moved, seconded by Philippi, to come out of the executive session at 8:26 PM.

President Koch adjourned the meeting at 8:27 PM.

Erika Brinegar, Recording Secretary