

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE REGULAR UNIFIED SCHOOL BOARD MEETING – The Unified Board of Education met in Davenport on April 16, 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 April 8, 2026; all proceedings were taken while the meeting was open to the public.

President Baysinger called the meeting to order at 7:31 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, and Lon Schoenholz. Also present were Superintendent Lampe, Principal Melinda Kerwood, Principal Ruth Kowalski, Erika Brinegar, and multiple members of the public.

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

A teacher and students presented during the public forum.

The Consent Agenda included the agenda, minutes of the March 9, 2026, Unified Board meeting, Treasurer's Report, and the April claims. Sarah Krehnke moved, seconded by Trey Strong, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Roll Call Vote (6-0)

Principal Kerwood's report – discussed the discipline process – middle school is using lunch/access time to catch up on missing work – student incidents have declined

Principal Kowalski's report – Lauryn, Cynthia, and Kennedy won Ag Demo at State FFA – HS Academic Awards will be during 8th period on May 4th – Spring concert is May 4th in Bruning – projection of 33 preschoolers for 26-27 – April 24th is the FFA banquet

President's report – Buildings and grounds committee will meet with the architect and Shickley's committee in May.

Superintendent's report – we want to add an assistant FFA sponsor – updated on summer projects – Davenport weight deck needs some work.

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

- A. Strong moved, seconded by Krehnke, to approve Emily Chamberlain as a 2-8 SPED teacher for the 26-27 school year.
- B. Krehnke moved, seconded by Ryan Miller, to approve Lindsey Messman as a 2-8 SPED teacher for the 26-27 school year.
- C. Krehnke moved, seconded by Strong, to approve the update to the Preschool Handbook for the 26-27 school year.
- D. Miller moved, seconded by Aaron Oltmans, to approve the resignation of Molly Nielsen, effective immediately.

Strong moved, seconded by Oltmans, to go into Executive Session “to prevent needless injury to an individual” at 8:30 PM.

Williams moved, seconded by Strong, to exit Executive Session at 9:49 PM.

- E. Strong moved, seconded by Miller, to approve a 3.5% raise for the Superintendent and both principals for the 26-27 school year.
- F. 5-8th-grade Social Studies teacher for the 26-27 school year. – No action taken.

Miller moved, seconded by Williams, to adjourn the meeting at 9:50 pm.

Erika Brinegar, Recording Secretary