

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE UNIFIED SCHOOL BOARD MEETING – The Unified Board of Education met in Davenport on October 12, 2026. Pursuant to laws and notices posted on the Bruning-Davenport School’s website and also published in The Hebron Journal-Register on October 7, 2026, all proceedings were taken while the meeting was open to the public.

President Jerry Baysinger called the meeting to order at 7:31 PM. Unified members present were Sarah Krehnke, Aaron Oltmans, Trey Strong, and Brad Williams. Local board members present were Baxter Beals (@7:58PM), Tony Norder, Ryne Philippi, and Derek Shaner. Superintendent Kelly Lampe, Principal Melinda Kerwood, Principal Ruth Kowalski, Erika Brinegar, and Beth Dolnicek were also present.

Brad Williams moved, seconded by Trey Strong, to approve the absence of Unified member Ryan Miller. (Roll Call Vote – 5-0)

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

The Consent Agenda included the agenda, minutes of the August 26, 2026, and September 21, 2026, Unified Board meetings, Treasurer’s Report, and the October claims. Sarah Krehnke moved, seconded by Aaron Oltmans, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Roll Call Vote (5-0)

Principal Kerwood’s Report – Admin is completing IPG walkthroughs – 50% of middle school students needed interventions before, and now it is around 35%

Principal Kowalski’s Report – good turnout at Parent-Teacher conferences – High School went to Arbor Day Farms, and elementary students are going to pumpkin patches – external visit is October 14 and 15th

President’s report – trying to speak to the state about roads – looking at future dates for Bruning and Davenport meetings and building walk-throughs

Superintendent Lampe’s Report – daycare numbers are not good right now, due to construction – looking at getting away from the Federal Food Program

Action Items: (All motions require a roll call vote and all are carried 5-0 unless noted.)

- A. Krehnke moved, seconded by Strong, to approve the National FFA Convention trip to Indianapolis, Indiana, October 21-24, 2026

Baysinger moved, seconded by Oltmans, to enter executive session to “prevent needless injury to an individual” at 8:34 PM.

Strong moved, seconded by Oltmans, to exit the Executive Session at 8:57 PM.

Oltmans moved, seconded by Strong, to adjourn the meeting at 8:57 PM.

Erika Brinegar, Recording Secretary