

Minutes of Regular Meeting

February 11, 2026

The Board of Directors

Clarinda Community School District

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of Clarinda Community School District was held Wednesday, February 11, 2026, beginning at 5:00 PM in the McKinley Boardroom.

1. Call to Order

President Butt called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

3. Roll Call

The following Board members were present: President Butt, Vice President Hayes, Boysen, Sunderman and Wyman.

4. Audience to Visitors

No visitors were present.

5. Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Hayes, seconded by Boysen, to approve the agenda. Motion carried 5-0.

6. Consent Agenda Items

A motion was made by Wyman, seconded by Hayes, to approve the consent agenda items. Motion carried 5-0.

6.1 Approve Minutes of the January 28, 2026 Regular Meeting

6.2 Approve Bills

6.3 Approve Open Enrollment Requests for the 2026-2027 School Year

Open Enrollment into the district: 3 – Essex, kindergarten (Evelynn and Ester Sorensen);
South Page, sixth grade (Atlas McCarthy)

Open Enrollment out of the district: 0

6.4 Approve Hires, Transfers, and Resignations

Hires: Maren Hettinga, Band Teacher, effective the 2026-27 school year

Transfers: none

Resignations: Laney Boltinghouse, Elementary Teacher, effective end of the 2025-26 school year

Ron Grebert, 9-12 Girls Golf Coach, effective immediately

7. Recognition and Reports

7.1 Administrator Report

Mr. Bales reported FFA had subdistricts. FCCLA had a great turnout for All Districts and this week is National FCCLA Week. FCA (Fellowship of Christian Athletes) will help at the Night to Shine event. Three band students competed at the Cyclone Honor Band last week.

Large Group Speech had several perform and received ones and twos. Wrestling sent three girls to state; Kyler Downey placed sixth and Lily Weinreich placed fifth. Girls' bowling won the regional meet and qualified for State where Rylee Pulliam took seventh, Gabby Derry took ninth; the team plays Thursday. The baseball team continues to sell tickets for their St. Louis Busch Stadium game against Atlantic.

7.2 Maintenance Report

Mr. Privia reported the Radon retesting is complete. Rogge and Wiremann Electric fixed the Cardinal sign on the Jr/Sr High building. Staff is still switching lighting to LED at Garfield and completing the internet connection at the Academy Gym. The District is working with insurance to repair the wind damage on the Auditorium tower.

7.3 Finance Report

Mrs. McKinnon continues to work on various budget scenarios.

7.4 Superintendent Report

Mr. Privia reported SSA (Supplemental State Aid) is supposed to be set on Thursday. He and Mrs. McKinnon are working on the budget and tax rate. He gave kudos to the Pep Band.

7.5 Board Correspondence

Boysen discussed some Legislative bills.

8. New Business

8.1 Discuss and Consider Approving 2027 Band/Choir Trip

Mr. Grossnickle gave an overview of the trip and accommodations. The cost is around \$2500 per student and is higher than past years because of airfare. They will bring future fundraisers for Board approval.

A motion was made by Wyman, seconded by Boysen, to approve the high school band and choir trip to Boston, MA on March 18-22, 2027. Motion carried 5-0.

8.2 Discuss and Consider Approving the 2026 Prom Venue Proposal

Mr. Cox discussed the proposed venue and the itinerary. The walk-up would be at the Jr/Sr High before the dance. Parents will sign a waiver form stating if their student will travel by school vehicle or personal vehicle to Kent Farms. Parents will be notified if students leave early. In case of inclement weather, the dance will be moved to the Jr/Sr High building.

A motion was made by Hayes, seconded by Wyman, to approve the 2026 Prom dance venue at the Barn at Kent Farms. Motion carried 4-1. Aye – Butt, Hayes, Sunderman, and Wyman; Nay - Boysen

8.3 Discuss and Consider Approving Clarinda Foundation/Cardinal Fund Donations

A motion was made by Wyman, seconded by Hayes, to approve the Clarinda Foundation and Cardinal Fund donation of \$220,000. Motion carried 5-0.

8.4 Discuss and Consider Approving the Second and Final Reading of Policy Primers

A motion was made by Wyman, seconded by Boysen, to approve the second and final reading of the attached Policy Primers Volume 34 #2. Motion carried 5-0.

8.5 Discuss and Consider Approving the Early Retirements and Resignations from Staff

A motion was made by Hayes, seconded by Wyman, to approve the early retirement and resignation of Sherri Hiser, Dianna McClarnon, Nicki Morrison, and Trulla Pullen, effective at the end of the 2025-2026 school year. Motion carried 5-0.

8.6 Discuss and Consider Setting a Public Hearing for the Proposed 2026-27 School Calendar

A motion was made by Wyman, seconded by Boysen, to approve public hearing for March 11, 2026 at 5:00 p.m. in the Central Office Boardroom as the date, time, and place for the proposed 2026-2027 school calendar. Motion carried 5-0.

9. Meeting Announcements

9.1 A regular meeting will be on Wednesday, February 25, 2026 at 5:00 p.m. at McKinley.

9.2 A regular meeting will be on Wednesday, March 11, 2026 at 5:00 p.m. at McKinley.

10. Adjournment

A motion was made by Boysen, seconded by Wyman, to adjourn the meeting at 5:41 p.m. Motion carried 5-0.

These minutes are as recorded by the board secretary and subject to approval at the next regular board meeting.

**Nancy McKinnon
Board Secretary**