Clark County School District 161
School Board Meeting
January 8, 2026
MINUTES

Call to Order	**5:31 p.m.**	
Pledge		
Roll Call	Jeri Tavenner, Chair	Laurie Small
	Tom L. Strong, Vice Chair	
	Deena Williams	
Attendance	Eileen Holden, Superintendent	
	Lisa Shenton, Business Manager/Board Clerk	
	Will Empey, SRO	
	Dee Anne Taylor, CCEA	
	Holly Maraist, Teacher	
	Cheyenne Jensen, Teacher	
	Danette Frederiksen – 6 p.m.	

Approval of Agenda

Motion was made to approve the agenda by Mr. Strong, seconded by Ms. Williams. Motion passed.

Public Input

None

Maintenance Report

Ms. Holden reported that the rental roofs need replaced. Winds about blew part of the roof off of one of the rental homes. Mr. Hager is going to get some quotes to replace both roofs. He is also getting some quotes to trim the trees so they don't break and damage the roofs as well. Also the city transferred the water rights so school can fill in the culverts by their houses, which will happen this summer as well. School inspection went well.

SRO Report

Deputy Empey reported that the City of Dubois is working on getting a grant for the school zone signs. His Lidar gun was damaged in delivery he is waiting for a new one. He is applying for a grant to attend a National School Resource training in Reno, Nevada. He is also attending other courses one in March with EIPH with school staff.

Principal Report

Ms. Winters was unable to attend, but left a sheet showing testing scores. They have been taking shorten ISAT tests for practice. The students are working harder to get their scores up and are seeing improvements.

Superintendent Report

Ms. Holden reported on the budget and feels we are on target with what she estimated as long as the state doesn't withhold funding. She will have a better idea by the February payment from the state. She stated that if the board wanted to listen to JFAC it is broadcasted online. Senior projects will be presented January 19th.

Oath of Office

Jeri Tavenner and Laurie Small were sworn into office.

Consent Agenda

Motion was made to accept the consent agenda by Ms. Small, seconded by Mr. Strong. Motion passed.

Appointment of Board Chair

Motion was made to nominate Jeri Tavenner as board chair by Ms. Small, seconded by Mr. Strong. Motion passed.

Nominations ceased.

Motion was made to appoint Jeri Tavenner as Board Chair by Mr. Strong, seconded by Ms. Small. Motion passed

Appointment of Board Vice Chair

Motion was made to nominate Tom Strong as Vice Chair by Ms. Small, seconded by Ms. Williams. Motion passed.

Nominations ceased.

Motion was made to appoint Tom Strong as Vice Chair by Ms. Small, seconded by Ms. Williams. Motion passed.

Appointment of District Clerk

Motion was made to appoint Lisa Shenton as District Clerk by Mr. Strong, seconded by Ms. Small. Motion passed.

Appointment of District Treasurer

Motion was made to appoint Lisa Shenton as District Treasurer by Mr. Strong seconded by Ms. Small. Motion passed.

Establish Annual Calendar of Board Meetings and Time

Motion was made to continue with Clark County School Board meetings being held every second Thursday of the month at 5:30 p.m. located at the Jr. /Sr. High School library by Ms. Small, seconded by Ms. Williams. Motion passed.

Designation of Public Places for Postings of Public Notice

Motion was made to approve the designated public posting at the High School, Lindy Ross, Dubois Public Library, and District website, by Ms. Small, seconded by Mr. Strong. Motion passed.

Authorization of Signatures

Motion was made to keep authorized signatures the same, which are the full board plus Superintendent and District Treasurer by Mr. Strong, seconded by Ms. Williams. Motion passed.

Authorization of Designated Depositories

Motion was made to continue with Mountain America Credit Union, Zion's Bank, LGIP, and Venmo as the designated depositories by Ms. Small, seconded by Mr. Strong. Motion passed.

Code of Ethics for Board Members

Code of Ethics were signed by all board members that were present.

FFA 2026 Spring Trip – Final Approval

Ms. Jensen presented the board with an updated itinerary for the upcoming trip in February. She stated they will be renting vans and traveling to the World Ag Expo.

Motion was made to approve the final FFA Itinerary by Ms. Small, seconded by Ms. Willams. Motion passed.

Future FFA Trips

Discussion was held concerning the FFA trips. Concerns are fundraising, time from class, and possibly going every other year. Ms. Small requested to see Ms. Jensen's supplemental contract as well.

Motion was made to move for further discussion on the FFA trip to the March board meeting by Ms. Small, seconded by Mr. Strong.

Upgrade Fire Alarm System

Motion was made to table the upgrade of the fire alarm system until we have all the quotes needed to vote by Ms. Small, seconded by Mr. Strong. Motion passed.

Parent Permission Slip - Approval

Motion was made to approve the parent permission slips for Life Science by Mr. Strong, seconded by Ms. Small. Motion passed.

Executive Session

Motion was made to table executive session until next month by Mr. Strong, seconded by Ms. Williams. Motion passed.

Adjourn: **7 p.m.**

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Board Chairman Date

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Board Clerk Date