Clark County School District 161
School Board Meeting
August 13, 2026
MINUTES

Call to Order	**5:30 p.m.**	
Pledge		
Roll Call	Jeri Tavenner, Chair	Laurie Small
	Tom L. Strong, Vice Chair	
	Deena Williams	
Attendance	Eileen Holden, Superintendent	
	Nick Browneller, Principal	
	Lisa Shenton, Board Clerk	
	Dan Hager, Maintenance	
	Holly Maraist, CCEA	
	Allen Laird, Patron	

Approval of Agenda

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

Public Input

No report.

Dan Coleman, Audit

Mr. Coleman presented the audit to the board. He stated that there are accounting standards and opinion options which the district received an unmodified which is the best they can give which means no issues. He stated the school has an operating reserve of 2.9 months, which is the recommendation since we are reimbursed by the federal funds.

Maintenance Report

Mr. Hager reported that the car barn is complete, the locks have been changed at the Lindy Ross Elementary and their key cards will work for both buildings. Peak Alarm is hoping to be done at the end of this coming week. The roof leaked and has been repaired for now.

SRO Report

Ms. Holden stated that Mr. Empey went to trainings in Boise.

Principal Report

Mr. Browneller introduced himself to the board. He said he will work on keeping the direction the learning is going and support staff as needed. He has been on Amira and will monitor the progress of the students.

Superintendent Report

Ms. Holden said her financial report will be updated next month when the book back from the audit is completed. Registration at the high school was last week and we have 4 new students. Anne & Joy from CSI-up have been helping with this coming year. We received the fresh fruits and vegetable grant. She spoke with Anderson, Julian, and Hull for language on getting bids for the manufactured home. Applied for another CSI-Up grant which the district received. She put out a survey for the 3-4 year old preschool and there was an interest but many said they would not be able to pay. She may look into again next spring.

Consent Agenda

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

2025-2026 Annual Audit

Motion was made to accept the 2025-2026 audit by Mr. Strong, seconded by Ms. Small. Motion passed.

MOU SRO with County

Motion was made to approve the MOU School Resource Officer with the county by Ms. Small seconded by Mr. Strong. Motion passed.

Bus Purchase Using Sourcewell

This was approved in the last board meeting but the motion needs to specify Sourcewell to legally use without a different bid process.

Motion was made to use Sourcewell for the bus purchase by Mr. Strong seconded by Ms. Williams. Motion passed.

Supplemental Levy Resolution 2027-2029

The supplemental levy cost per 100,000 will cost the tax payers less this time than the previous levy.

Motion was made to approve the supplemental resolution SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 161 CLARK COUNTY, STATE OF IDAHO, A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR SUPPLEMENTAL LEVY ELECTION

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 33-802(3), Idaho Code, as amended, the Board of Trustees of School District No. 161, Clark County, State of Idaho (the "District") has determined there is a need for a supplemental levy in the amount of $250,000 per year for two (2) years, for the purpose of paying all lawful expenses of maintaining and operating the District, as further described in the form of ballot question set forth in SECTION 3 herein, for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2027, and ending June 30, 2029.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the District as follows:

SECTION 1. That a supplemental levy election be and the same is hereby called to be held in the District on Tuesday, November 3, 2026, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified electors of the District the question set out in the form of the ballot appearing in Section 3 hereof.

SECTION 2. That the Clerk of Clark County, Idaho (the "County Clerk") shall administer and coordinate the election pursuant to and in accordance with Title 34, Idaho Code.

SECTION 3. That the form of the official ballot will be substantially as follows:

OFFICIAL BALLOT
SUPPLEMENTAL LEVY ELECTION
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 161,
CLARK COUNTY, STATE OF IDAHO

November 3, 2026

The Board of Trustees of School District No. 161, Clark County, State of Idaho, is seeking authorization to levy a Supplemental Levy for the following purposes and approximate amount of levy funds to be allocated to each use:

Purpose Amount

Salaries and Benefits for Teachers, Staff, and Administrators $85,000
Classroom Supplies, Curriculum Materials and Food Service $55,000
Maintenance and Transportation $110,000
Total: $250,000

QUESTION: Shall the Board of Trustees of School District No. 161, Clark County, State of Idaho, be authorized and empowered to levy a Supplemental Levy in the amount of Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars ($250,000) per year for two (2) years, commencing with the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2027 and ending June 30, 2029, for the purposes stated above; all as provided in the Resolution adopted by the Board of Trustees on August 13, 2026?

The estimated average annual cost to the taxpayer on the proposed levy is a tax of $123.07 per $100,000 of taxable assessed value, per year, based on current conditions. The proposed levy replaces an existing levy that expires on June 30, 2027 and that currently costs $123.07 per $100,000 of taxable assessed value. Therefore, if the proposed levy is approved, the tax per $100,000 of taxable assessed value is not expected to change.

IN FAVOR OF AUTHORIZING A SUPPLEMENTAL LEVY
IN THE AMOUNT OF $250,000 PER YEAR FOR TWO (2)
YEARS _____

AGAINST AUTHORIZING A SUPPLEMENTAL LEVY IN THE AMOUNT OF $250,000 PER YEAR FOR TWO (2) YEARS by Mr. Strong, seconded by Ms. Williams. Motion passed.

Transportation – Safety Routes & in Lieu of Rates

Motion was made to approve the changes to the bus routes and safety bussing by Ms. Small, seconded by Ms. Williams. Motion passed.

Motions was made to approve the in lieu of rates at .40 a mile by Mr. Strong, seconded by Ms. Williams. Motion passed.

Sports – Co-op Volleyball

Motion was made to approve the volleyball co-op with Lima by Ms. Small, seconded by Mr. Strong. Motion passed.

Handbooks

Motion was made to approve the Sr. /Jr. and Lindy Ross handbooks with the updated changes by Ms. Small, seconded by Mr. Strong. Motion passed.

Policies – 1st Reading 2353, 2353F

Motion to approve the first reading of 2353, 2353F with said corrections by Ms. Small, seconded by Ms. Williams. Motion passed.

Motion was made to approve the first reading of the annual review policies of 1303, 1600 2200, 2420, 2420P, 2605, 3010, 3265, 3285, 3295, 3300, 3320, 3330, 3345, 3500, 3510, 3515,3515P, 3530, 4210F1, 5265, 7215, 7240, 7240P, 7305, 7500, 7710, 8170, 8200, 8210, 8300, 8320, 8520 by Mr. Strong, seconded by Ms. Williams. Motion passed.

Adjourn: **6:25 p.m.**

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Board Chairman Date

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Board Clerk Date