

CLINTONVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
Clintonville, WI 54929
Regular Meeting of the Board of Education

Monday, June 9, 2025
6:00 PM
High School IMC

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District Mission Statement

The Clintonville Public School District, in partnership with its citizens, will empower those we educate to become lifelong learners who can think independently, critically, and creatively. Further, it is our mission to educate individuals to be successful, contributing members of our society and responsible, caring citizens in a diverse world.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ESTABLISH QUORUM

III. OPEN MEETING STATEMENT

This June 9, 2025 meeting of the Clintonville Board of Education, and all other meetings of the board, is open to the public in compliance with state statute. Notice of the meeting has been sent to the media, and has been publicly posted, in an attempt to make the citizens of the district aware of the time, place and agenda of this meeting. Upon request to the District Administrator; submitted twenty-four (24) hours in advance, the District shall make reasonable accommodation including the provision of informational material in an alternative format for a disabled person to attend this meeting.

IV. APPROVE AGENDA

V. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

VI. READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Special Meeting - May 22, 2025
- B. Regular Meeting - May 27, 2025
- C. Special Meeting - May 29, 2025

VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS

While the Board of Education welcomes communication from the public, proper procedure must be followed. Any person intending to address the Board must first fill out a Public Comments Registration Form (please see Policy #0167.3 re: Public Participation). As a reminder, this meeting of the Board is not a forum for personal attacks on any public official, staff member or citizen.

VIII. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

A. Recognition

Natural World for Kids Fund (NWK) Appropriations for 2024-2025 - for Information

The administration will inform the Board of Education as to how the appropriated funds from the NWKF were designated during the 2024-2025 school year.

B. Superintendent's Report

Troy Kuhn will present District updates to the Board of Education.

Support Staff Hire

- a. Alex Garcia - IT Support Specialist, effective June 9, 2025

Support Staff Resignation - Rec Center

- a. Corey Dustin - Supervisor, effective June 13, 2025

Extra-curricular Resignations

- a. Matthew Zodrow - FBLA Advisor, effective immediately
- b. Scott Korth - JV2 Boys Basketball, effective immediately

Extra-curricular Hires

- a. Cole Pinno - Student Council Advisor, effective with the 2025-26 school year.
- b. Benji Knaack - MS Football Coach, effective with the 2025-2026 school year.

C. Personnel (The board may choose to go into Executive Session per section 19.85(1)(c) per Wisconsin Statutes to discuss a personnel issue, and then return to open session to take action).

1. Administrator Hire - for Discussion/Action

The administration will recommend that the Board of Education approve the hire of Charles Seils as Middle School Principal, effective July 1, 2025.

2. Activities Director Hire - for Discussion/Action

The administration will recommend that the Board of Education approve the hire of Caleb Bembenek as Activities Director, effective July 1, 2025.

3. Teacher Resignations - for Discussion/Action

The administration will recommend that the Board of Education approve the resignation of Alison VanGrinsven from her Elementary Physical Education Teacher position, effective at the end of the 2024-2025 school year.

4. Teacher Hires - for Discussion/Action

The administration will recommend that the Board of Education approve the following teacher hires, effective with the 2025-2026 school year:

- a. Loni Glatz - Speech and Language Pathologist
- b. Lori Teigen - Speech and Language Pathologist
- c. Victoria Hutchinson - Elementary Physical Education Teacher

D. Other

1. 2025-2026 WASB Membership Renewal - for Discussion/Action

The administration will recommend that the Board of Education approve the renewal of the District's membership with the Wisconsin Association of School Boards (WASB) for the 2025-2026 school year, at a cost of \$5,458.00

2. Finance Committee Update - for Information

Board Treasurer, Jason Moder will provide information from the Finance Committee Meeting that was held on June 4, 2025.

IX. POLICY

X. ITEMS FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION

Banning of cell phones in schools
More input from Board members for future agendas

XI. ANNOUNCEMENTS

June 10	Special Board of Education Meeting	5:15 p.m.	High School IMC
June 23	Board of Education Meeting	6:00 p.m.	High School IMC
July 10	Last Day of Summer School		
July 14	Board of Education Meeting	6:00 p.m.	High School IMC
July 28	Board of Education Meeting	6:00 p.m.	High School IMC

XII. ADJOURNMENT

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
CLINTONVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
CLINTONVILLE, WISCONSIN 54929**

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING
OF
BOARD OF EDUCATION
May 22, 2025**

A Special Meeting of the Board of Education of the Clintonville Public School District was called to order on May 22, 2025 at 4:58 p.m. in the High School IMC by President Glen Drew Lundt.

Members present: Glen Drew Lundt, Kris Strauman, Klint Barkow, Jason Moder, Ben Huber, Mark Zachow, and Christopher Hoffmann.
Others present: Troy Kuhn

MEETING STATEMENT: This May 22, 2025 special meeting of the Clintonville Board of Education and all other meetings of the board are open to the public in compliance with state statute. Notice of the meeting has been sent to the media, and has been publicly posted, in an attempt to make the citizens of the district aware of the time, place and agenda of this meeting.

APPROVE AGENDA: Moved by Jason Moder, seconded by Christopher Hoffmann to approve the agenda as printed. Ayes and nays called, all voting aye. Motion carried.

ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION: Moved by Kris Strauman, seconded by Jason Moder to adjourn to closed session for the consideration of matters over which the Board has jurisdiction pursuant to Wisconsin Statute 19.85 (1)(c)(f) – Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility; Considering financial, medical, social, or personal histories of disciplinary data of specific persons; for the purpose of conducting Middle School Principal interviews. Roll call vote was taken with Ben Huber, Mark Zachow, Klint Barkow, Christopher Hoffmann, Jason Moder, Glen Drew Lundt and Kris Strauman all voting aye. Motion carried and meeting adjourned to closed session at 4:59 p.m.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION: Moved by Ben Huber, seconded by Kris Strauman to return to open session. Roll call vote was taken with Mark Zachow, Klint Barkow, Christopher Hoffmann, Jason Moder, Kris Strauman, Glen Drew Lundt, and Ben Huber all voting aye. Motion carried and the meeting returned to open session at 7:59 p.m.

Middle School Principal Hire: Moved by Ben Huber, seconded by Jason Moder to authorize the Superintendent to offer a contract to recommended candidate as discussed in closed session. Ayes and nays called, all voting aye. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Kris Strauman, seconded by Jason Moder to adjourn. Ayes and nays called, all voting aye. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Klint Barkow, Clerk

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
CLINTONVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
CLINTONVILLE, WISCONSIN 54929**

**MINUTES OF
REGULAR MEETING BOARD OF EDUCATION
May 27, 2025**

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Clintonville Public School District was called to order on May 27, 2025 at 6:01 p.m. in the High School IMC by President Glen Drew Lundt

Members Present: Glen Drew Lundt, Kris Strauman, Jason Moder, Ben Huber, Mark Zachow, and Christopher Hoffmann. Klint Barkow arrived at 7:20 p.m.

Administration Present: Troy Kuhn and Stephen Reinke

Also present: Michael Engel, Laurie Vollrath, Marie Vandenberg, Stacy Havlik, and David Battenberg.

OPEN MEETING STATEMENT: This May 27, 2025, meeting of the Clintonville Board of Education and all other meetings of the board are open to the public in compliance with state statute. Notice of the meeting has been sent to the media, and has been publicly posted, in an attempt to make the citizens of the district aware of the time, place and agenda of this meeting. Upon request to the District Administrator, submitted twenty-four (24) hours in advance, the District shall make reasonable accommodation including the provision of informational material in an alternative format for a disabled person to be able to attend this meeting.

APPROVE AGENDA: Moved by Jason Moder, seconded by Christopher Hoffmann to approve the agenda as written. Ayes and nays called, all voting aye. Motion carried.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those in attendance.

READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Moved by Jason Moder seconded by Ben Huber to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 12, 2025. Ayes and nays called, all voting aye. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS: None

FINANCIAL REPORT

Presentation of District's Financial Forecast: Nick Curran from CESA 8 presented the current status of the district's financial forecasting and possible options moving forward when it comes to mill rates, taxes, debt defeasance, as it relates to upcoming needs as it relates to a balanced budget.

Resolution Authorizing the Defeasance of Portions of the Clintonville Public School District \$9,000,000 General Obligation School Building Bonds, Series 2023; \$9,000,000 General Obligation School Building Bonds, Series 2022; and \$9,890,000 General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2021: Moved by Ben Huber, seconded by Jason Moder to approve the Resolution authorizing the defeasance of portions of the Clintonville Public School District \$9,000,000 general obligation school building bonds, Series 2023; \$9,000,000 general obligation school building bonds, series 2022; and \$9,890,000 general obligation refunding bonds, Series 2021. Roll call vote was taken with Ben Huber, Mark Zachow, Christopher Hoffmann, Jason Moder, Glen Drew Lundt, and Kris Stauman voting aye. Motion carried.

Presentation of Vouchers: Moved by Kris Strauman, seconded by Jason Moder that authorization be granted to approve vouchers as attached for April, 2025. Ayes and nays called, all voting aye. Motion carried.

Monthly Budget Report: Jessica Holtz from CESA 8 presented and discussed the Monthly Budget Recap/Report from March and April, 2025.

2025-2026 Fund 80 Budget Expenses: Troy Kuhn presented a detailed report of the projected 2025-2026 Fund 80 budget expenses and anticipated future capital projects.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Athletic Facilities Update: Representatives from Hoffman Planning, Design, and Construction, and Rettler Corporation will give an update to the Board of Education regarding the possible upgrade to the District's athletic facilities.

Superintendent's Report: Troy Kuhn presented District updates to the Board of Education.

Support Staff Resignation

- a. Gary Funk – IT Tech Assistant, effective June 30, 2025

Support Staff Resignation – Child Care Center

- a. Kimberly Wilson – Custodian, effective June 4, 2025

Support Staff Hires – Child Care Center

Hailley Russow – Assistant Teacher, effective May 16, 2025
Hailey Schuh – Lead Teacher, effective date TBD

Extra-Curricular Resignation

Scott Korth – Middle School Football, effective immediately

Extra-curricular Hire

Becca Dillenberg – Assistant Musical Director, effective with the 2025-2026 school year.

Personnel

Administrator Resignation: Moved by Kris Strauman, seconded by Jason Moder to approve the resignation of Britney Dobratz from her Middle School Principal position, effective June 30, 2025. Ayes and nays were called, all voting aye. Motion carried.

Teacher Resignations: Moved by Kris Strauman, seconded by Jason Moder to approve the following teacher resignations, effective at the end of the 2024-2025 school year:

- a. Matthew Zodrow – Business Education Teacher
- b. Lynn Trochil – 5th Grade Teacher

Ayes and nays called, all voting aye. Motion carried.

Teacher Transfers: Moved by Kris Strauman, seconded by Jason Moder to approve the transfer of the following Special Education Teachers, effective with the 2025-2026 school year:

- a. Carey Meyer – from High School to Middle School Special Education
- b. Leanna Mulry – from Middle School to Elementary School Special Education

Ayes and nays called, all voting aye. Motion carried.

Teacher/School Counselor Hires: Moved by Ben Huber, seconded by Jason Moder to approve the following teacher/school counselor hires:

- a. Nicole Kirchner – Early Childhood Special Education Teacher
- b. Allison Zeinert – 4th Grade Teacher
- c. Amanda (Mandy) Kriesel – Middle School Counselor

Ayes and nays called, all voting aye. Motion carried.

Extended Services Agreement: Moved by Ben Huber, seconded by Christopher Hoffmann to approve the extended services agreement for Suzzann Bessette, Program Support Teacher, for up to 24 additional hours of work with compensation at her daily rate for beginning of the year professional development responsibilities. Ayes and nays called, all voting aye. Motion carried.

Enrichment Coordinator Services: Moved by Kris Strauman, seconded by Mark Zachow to approve an agreement for Jennifer Soldner to provide services as an Enrichment Coordinator to support the academic growth of advanced learning students. Ayes and nays called, all voting aye. Motion carried.

Other

2025-2026 Employee Handbook Updates: Moved by Kris Strauman, seconded by Jason Moder to approve recommended updates to the 2025-2026 Employee Handbook to provide clarification regarding Clerical I and District Office Clerical positions. Ayes and nays called, all voting aye. Motion carried.

Ben Huber left the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

Job Descriptions: Moved by Kris Strauman, seconded by Jason Moder to approve updates to the following job descriptions as presented:

- a. Clerical I
- b. Instructional Paraprofessional
- c. Special Education Paraprofessional

Ayes and nays called, all voting aye. Motion carried.

2025-2026 Co-Curricular Code of Conduct: Moved by Klint Barkow, seconded by Jason Moder to approve the 2025-2026 Co-Curricular Code of Conduct as presented. Ayes and nays called, all voting aye. Motion carried.

Wrestling Room Quote: Moved by Kris Strauman, seconded by Jason Moder to approve the wrestling room quote from Dollamua Sport Surfaces as presented. Ayes and nays called, all voting aye. Motion carried.

School Board Committee Goals: The administration and Board of Education discussed goals, restructuring and timelines for the following committees:

Construction/Referendum Committee – Troy Kuhn to schedule a meeting

Land Use Committee – On hold

Finance Committee – Jason Moder to schedule a meeting

Mark Zachow left the meeting at 8:45 p.m.

Request for Proposals (RFP's): The administration and Board of Education discussed the currently contracted services and the process of analyzing and issuing RFP's to ensure services are being provided at a reasonable cost.

M3 Liability, Property, Etc Insurance Rates: The administration and Board of Education reviewed and discussed the rates from M3 Insurance for the 2025-2026 school year, which reflect a slight increase due to claims.

2025-2026 Lamers Transportation Contract: Moved by Kris Strauman, seconded by Klint Barkow to accept the 10% increase and keep the current language on rates as stated on page 1. Ayes and nays called, with all voting aye. Motion carried.

POLICY

None

ITEMS FOR FUTURE STRATEGIC DISCUSSION

Finance Committee Date – Wednesday, June 4th at 5:00 p.m. in District Office Conference Room

Banning phones in schools

More input from Board members for future agendas

Upgrades to audio equipment (microphones) in IMC for meetings

ANNOUNCEMENTS

May 29	Special Board of Education Meeting	5:00 p.m.	High School IMC
May 30	Last Day of School for Students		
June 2-3	Teacher In-Service Days		
June 9	First Day of Summer School		
June 9	Board of Education Meeting	6:00 p.m.	High School IMC
June 23	Board of Education Meeting	6:00 p.m.	High School IMC

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RETURN TO OPEN SESSION: Moved by Kris Strauman, seconded by Jason Moder to return to open session. Roll call vote was taken with Klint Barkow, Christopher Hoffmann, Jason Moder, Kris Strauman, and Glen Drew Lundt voting aye. Meeting returned to open session at 9:27 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Kris Strauman, seconded by Jason Moder to adjourn. Ayes and nays called, all voting aye. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 9:28 p.m.

Klint Barkow, Board Clerk

BOARD OF EDUCATION
CLINTONVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
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MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING
OF
BOARD OF EDUCATION
May 29, 2025

A Special Meeting of the Board of Education of the Clintonville Public School District was called to order on May 29, 2025 at 5:00 p.m. in the High School IMC by President Glen Drew Lundt.

Members present: Glen Drew Lundt, Kris Strauman, Klint Barkow, Jason Moder, and Mark Zachow
Others present: Troy Kuhn

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APPROVE AGENDA: Moved by Kris Strauman, seconded by Jason Moder to approve the agenda as printed. Ayes and nays called, all voting aye. Motion carried.

ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION: Moved by Kris Strauman, seconded by Jason Moder to adjourn to closed session for the consideration of matters over which the Board has jurisdiction pursuant to Wisconsin Statute 19.85 (1)(c)(f) – Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility; Considering financial, medical, social, or personal histories of disciplinary data of specific persons; for the purpose of conducting Activities Director interviews. Roll call vote was taken with Mark Zachow, Klint Barkow, Jason Moder, Glen Drew Lundt and Kris Strauman all voting aye. Motion carried and meeting adjourned to closed session at 5:03 p.m.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION: Moved by Kris Strauman, seconded by Jason Moder to return to open session. Roll call vote was taken with Mark Zachow, Klint Barkow, Jason Moder, Kris Strauman, and Glen Drew Lundt, all voting aye. Motion carried and the meeting returned to open session at 7:41 p.m.

Activities Director Hire: Moved by Kris Strauman, seconded by Jason Moder to authorize the Superintendent to offer a contract to recommended candidate as discussed in closed session. Ayes and nays called, all voting aye. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Kris Strauman, seconded by Jason Moder to adjourn. Ayes and nays called, all voting aye. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Klint Barkow, Clerk

NWFK Fund Appropriations Committee

Agenda March 31, 2025

In attendance: Katie Dietzen, Karen Oberhauser, [Samantha McCormick](#), Greg Rose, Madalyn Simonis, [Ericka Shelton](#), Robyn Steenbock, Amy Firnstahl

Meeting called to order at 3:45 p.m. in Sam's classroom.

1. Introductions.

2. Brief history of NWFK for any new members of the committee (importance of field trips and environmental education to Pete and Sanny Oberhauser, founded in 2002); funding available for field trips, support for outdoor/environmental education on school grounds, professional development for teachers

3. In spring 2022 we decided to have consistent funding policies for student fees, asking students to pay at least \$5 for all field trips for consistency, with the understanding that funds would always be available for students who could not afford this cost. This was included in the request for proposals for 2025-2026. Thank you Katie!

4. Monies available

Available for 2024-2025 school year \$7849 (amount will increase in 2026; additions to the fund require 3 years before added interest is paid out)

5. Review summaries

1. 1st grade trip to Central WI Environmental Station September 2024 . Amount of Grant Funding: \$ 700.00. We took our first graders to the UWSP Central Wisconsin Environmental Station to participate in a number of hands-on environmental activities outside! This is our favorite field trip by far! The students spend the entire day learning outside! As a teacher, I get to watch my students as the UWSP Students do the teaching! I appreciated the opportunity to have our students learn in a different environment than the one at school.
2. 2nd grade trip to New Zoo May 2024. Amount of Grant Funding: \$ 1300.00. We traveled to the NEW Zoo on Thursday, May 16, 2024. It was an overcast and rainy day to introduce our students to animals in their habitats. Despite the weather and our early departure due to torrential rain and lightning, students were given 3 hours to explore the animals and habitats within the zoo. Numerous times our children were excited to point out the animals that they had researched for their informational reports and genre stories. A quote from one of our English as a Second Language Learners, "This is the best day of my life!" That's what it is all about - giving opportunities to kids who might otherwise not experience these unique adventures. Thank you for helping us make that happen!
3. 3rd grade trip to NNC and Glacial Stone Nursery May 2024. Grant funding: \$773. Just recently our 3rd grade classes had the opportunity to go on an all day field trip to the Navarino Nature Center and Glacial Stone Nursery. The Navarino Nature Center trip

was about learning Survival Skills in Nature. Students learned about building fires and survival forts. The Glacial Stone Nursery trip was a visit to a greenhouse. At the greenhouse the students went to four different stations and had the opportunity to tour the greenhouse, help plant flowers, learned about butterflies and their importance to plants and finally planted a fairy garden to take home. At Navarino, the students had the opportunity to build fires using flints, magnifying glasses and other basic tools. They had to work together in small groups to collect the materials it would take to create a small fire. It was a very neat and exciting time for the students, especially when the fires lit. Then they also had the opportunity to go into the forest and as a team build a survival shelter. They once again had to work cooperatively to design their forts and then collect wood and branches to cover it appropriately from the weather. It was a very interesting and fun experience for the students! At Glacial Stone Nursery the children learned about the process of potting plants, their life cycles and types of plants. We learned the difference between annuals and perennial plants. We got to walk through the greenhouses to see all the plants and flowers the growers planted and they told us who they sell them to. We learned about Monarch butterflies and saw a short video about their lives. At the end, the children had the opportunity to purchase a plant/flower for their mothers. (Note: Karen offered to come to school to talk to first graders about monarchs; this happened in May 2025.)

4. 5th Grade Northern Lakes May 2024 (funded in spring 2023). Grant funding: \$1900. Four staff members from Northern Lakes Impact Center spent the day at Clintonville Elementary School. Each person taught a different session that connected to science, math and ELA curriculum. The sessions included team building, science of illusions, maps and compass, and geodomes. This was a new experience for all of the 5th grade teachers. We were impressed by the activities presented. The presenters were extremely organized, knowledgeable, and enthusiastic. They were flexible and had back up plans in place when an activity didn't go well with a group of students or when the weather did not cooperate with their plans. The two days were packed with learning, excitement and fun. Many of these activities taught the students skills, such as using a compass and building a geodome, were new to them. We don't have any suggestions for improvement. We originally planned on going to Northern Lakes and these four stations would have been the same ones we would have chosen if we had gone there. Since so many of the students would not be able to attend the overnight trip for a variety of reasons, we chose to have the Northern Lakes staff come here. This way all students would be able to participate in the experience. Students enjoyed the two days. When asked what a favorite session was, all four were mentioned from different students. They enjoyed the activities and their discussions and answers to questions showed they learned a lot.
5. Note on 5th grade funding for Atlas Science Center from last year (\$940 award). The Science Center was closed, and will use the funds for a trip to the Barlow Planetarium, per email from Katie Dietzen March 12, 2025.

6. 6th grade trip to Outdoor Lab. October 2024. Grant funding: \$280. Groups rotated to 4 different teacher-run stations that included: Building a shelter from natural materials found in the woods, nature walks, first-aid training; active outdoor games that involved team building, communication, and cooperation as well as listening to a fiction and nonfiction story. We took the time as a team to reflect on this field trip. We felt overall it was a successful trip. The students were very respectful to nature and really liked just walking around the trails and being outside. This is one we like to replicate annually (this is our 10th year with this field trip). **The part that the students seemed to learn the most from was just taking time exploring and appreciating nature through multiple activities.** Many of our sixth grade students spend limited time with nature otherwise.
7. 6th grade trip to Northern Lakes Impact Center. February 2025. Grant funding: \$2208. The sixth grade class spent four days and three nights at Northern Lakes Impact Center in Rhinelander, WI. During this time students were able to experience outdoor education on various topics. Students collaborated with instructors to complete hands-on lessons about Ice Age, Cross Country Skiing, Rockets and Catapults, Team Building, Food Chains, Black Smithing, Snake Show, Night Science. An extremely busy schedule kept our students engaged throughout the days and evenings. This annual trip is great for students as they get the chance to learn through unique experiences and opportunities that are not readily available in a typical school day. Beyond the core subjects, students learn how to communicate with one another respectfully. They develop a passion for the environment and learn about using their voices to promote positive changes. It is truly amazing observing the growth in each student over this three day trip. We had a great year at Northern Lakes! We had great weather and enjoyed our time outdoors in the snow. The teachers, chaperones, and students all rated the classes and experiences very highly and had very few suggestions for improvements. **The only thing we hope to improve is the amount of students who attend the trip next year.**
8. 8th grade trip to Barlow planetarium October 2024. Grant funding \$1000. Thank you for funding the 8th grade field trip to the Barlow Planetarium. Without the aid, most students would not have been able to attend this "out of world" experience. The Barlow Planetarium put on a tremendous presentation that fit well with our 8th grade earth science curriculum. We learned about the birth and death of a star and the different magnitudes and temperatures of stars. We also learned about many constellations and how/when to find them in the celestial sphere. **It was nice to see the students feel empowered. When the director asked questions about astronomical events, the students usually had the answer!** I only have a few pictures from inside the planetarium but none from the actual presentation. I have several pictures from the earth science museum where students were in awe of the geologic time scale and the creatures that roamed the area where they live now. Enjoy the pictures!

6. Review Applications: total requested (9 proposals) = \$16,290

Description	requested	funded
1st grade trip to Central WI Environmental Station in Sept or Oct 2025 (total cost is \$1710 with students paying \$5, asking district for the rest). CWES is staffed with professional natural resource	\$700	\$700

and environmental educators. This is our favorite field trip because as teachers, we are able to sit back and watch our students learn because the UWSP students do such an amazing job! Repeated trip from last year, have report from 2024.

2nd grade trip to New Zoo in May 2026 (requesting travel and admission costs, \$1855 includes students paying \$5). We request support for our students to attend a full-day trip in order to provide a tangible, sensory opportunity to observe plants and animals in diverse (albeit structured) environments. Repeated trip from previous years, have report from 2024.

\$1855 \$1000

3rd grade trip to Glacial Stone Nursery May 2026 (request is for busing and per classroom fee; students pay \$5). We will be taking our trip to Glacial Stone Nursery in May of 2025 with our students, funded by NWFK. We are anxious to continue developing this program for our students and hope to again take all 3rd graders in 2026. Repeated trip from previous years, have report from 2024.

Previous years included trip to Navarino Nature Center; transportation costs now covered by NNC.

\$440 \$440

4th grade in school sessions with Northern Lakes April 2026 (total cost is \$2690, requesting \$5 from students). Presenters from Northern Lakes Impact Center in Rhinelander will provide two days of instruction, here in Clintonville, for all fourth grade students. The activities and presentations will cover Lumberjacks and Lumbering in Wisconsin, the fur trade and voyageurs, team building, Native Americans, geocaching, rockets and catapults. Repeated trip from previous years, trip hasn't happened yet for this school year so no report.

\$2290 \$1200

5th grade in school sessions Northern Lakes Impact Center will come to Clintonville and spend 2 days with 5th graders. In the past, team building, ecosystems, orientation, science of illusions, and geometry were the main topics taught and explored. These tie closely to many 5th grade standards across subject areas. How is this coordinated with 4th grade content? Teachers will coordinate. Repeated from last year, have report.

\$2705 \$1200

6th grade trip to Discovery World April 2026. Students will visit and explore the Discovery World Museum, which focuses on innovation and technology, as well as Great Lakes education and conservation. It contains interactive exhibits, the Reiman Aquarium, and two theaters, and is home to Wisconsin's official flagship, the *Denis Sullivan*, a fully functional sailing vessel modeled after a 19th-century Great Lakes schooner. (Milwaukee, requesting transportation only, actual cost is \$3314) Repeated trip from previous years, NWFK didn't fund in 2024, but trip still happened.

\$2000 \$500

6th grade trip to Rhinelander for 3-day camp in Feb 2026 (requesting busing costs). Students in the past have gone to Northern Lakes as fifth graders. In the 2024-2025 school year, the trip to Northern

\$4580 \$2000

Lakes in Rhinelander was moved to sixth grade. Having gone in the past, we all thought the experience really was needed and showed students how working together is important. We are hoping to be able to get help with busing, as the cost for the students to attend is rather a large amount.

6 TH grade trip to School Forest September 2025 (no application needed, no student fee needed to encourage trips to school forest).	\$220	\$220
8 th grade trip to Barlow Planetarium in Oshkosh October 2025 (students will pay \$5, funds for rest of admission (\$1275) and busing (\$700)). Our request is to allow the 8th graders to participate in an "out of this world" experience that includes a trip to the Barlow planetarium. The amount requested would be for the cost of admission and for transportation (two buses). Have report from last year.	\$1500	\$700
Total Requested and Recommended Funding	\$16,290	\$7960

7. Any feedback on process? Good conversation with Troy and Madalyn in January: school forest, land north of school, support for field trips. Professional development could involve inservice time at the end of the year to explore properties.

Add a budget template to proposals: include number of kids, cost per kid, minus \$5, transportation (mileage and drivers), entry fees, total cost of the whole field trip, amount being requested.

8. Next meeting Spring 2026. Thank you!

Finance Committee
2025-6-4
5:00 pm
District Office Conference Room

Google Meet joining info
Video link: <https://meet.google.com/grv-domt-atm>

Purple - Data that Troy and Jessica provided as requested

Attendance: Kris Strauman, Laurie Vollrath, Mark Zachow, Marie Vandenberg, Ben Huber, Jason Moder, Troy Kuhn, and Jessica Holtz.

Agenda

- Review of Nick Curran Presentation
 - Perfect Opportunity - may be only shot before Fund Balance gets drained.
 - Cuts - Athletics, Transportation, Staffing
 - BOE suggested 2 things
 - Fund 10 not drop below 15%
 - Nice to lower the mill rate, but what if we keep it as is? How would that change the “chart”
 - If we keep the mill rate where it is, would a recurring referendum need to be 2 million or less?
 - This would only apply to Fund 39 or 80
 - Need referendum for Fund 10

Notes

- Heard this last Referendum - Taxes won't go up
 - The statement should have been Mill Rate - That is what was stated but not heard.
- How does it increase 2-3 million?
 - Capital Projects within ~5 years were completed with surplus Referendum dollars (3 million)
 - ESSER (Covid) Money ~3.6 Million
 - Safe costs - Less Technology, Less Capital Projects
- Big Hits
 - Insurance
 - Other districts around us passing referendums driving up personnel costs
 - Specialty Services - Speech, Language, OT, PT
 - School Vouchers \$700,000
 - Title \$ for Private Schools
- Tax Levy Explanation/Clarification
 - Tax levy fund 10 and 27/student
 - $(\$20,819,375 / 1,238 \text{ students}) = \$16,816.94 \text{ per student}$
 - This accounts for all Students with Disabilities including high cost students
 - Tax levy fund 80 (Daycare)/Student

- $(\$966,420 / 60 \text{ children}) = \$16,107$ per child per year (\$307 per week or \$7.60 per hour)
 - Revenue Tuition ALL $(\$420,524 / 60) = \$7,008$ per child per year
 - Taxpayers = \$9,099 per child per year
 - If... \$250 per week, per child (private daycare center) = \$13,000 annually
 - Revenue Tuition Grants Total (\$69,414)
- Tax levy fund 80 (Rec Center)/Student
 - $(\$887,890 / 53,120 \text{ visits}) = \16.71 per visit
 - $(\$887,890 / 891 \text{ members}) = \996.51 per member
 - These are annual break even costs - See below for actual costs
 - \$34,000 in non member usage per year - Unknown number of non members

Notes

- Daycares are essential to the local economy
 - With restructuring of Elementary to include 4K-5th grade, it created space to include a daycare.
 - How can we close the gap at the Daycare and Rec Center? Raise Rates? How much?
- Open Enrollment Explanation/Clarification
 - Leaving (Out)
 - $\$1,580,366 / 182 \text{ students} = \$8,683.33$
 - 47 students enrolled in various Virtual Public Schools
 - 135 students enrolled in various neighboring school districts
 - Entering (In)
 - $\$542,739 / 63 \text{ students} = \$8,614.90$
 - Homeschooled students - 70
 - Homeschooled students are not included in a school district's enrollment count for state aid purposes. As a result, their status does not impact the amount of state aid a district receives.
 - Future Capital Items
 - [Maintenance](#)
 - [Technology](#)
 - [RFP and Contracted Services Review](#)
 - 2025-2026 Proposed Budget Timeline Review
 - Approved Spending - June
 - Refined for October Meeting
 - State Revenue numbers received in October
 - Fund 80
 - Daycare Discounts - [Rates Sheet](#)
 - 10% for Family (oldest child)
 - 10% for CPSD employees
 - 11 children total

- 50% for Dellwood employees
 - \$45,000
- Number of Children (age)
 - (13) Infant - 2
 - (22) 2-3 yo
 - (21) 3+ yo
 - (20) Before and After School
- Rec Center Discounts - [Rates Sheet](#)
 - Adult \$237 per year
 - Discounted ~\$180 per year
 - Students \$161 per year
 - Discounted ~\$104 per year
 - Senior \$208 per year
 - Discounted ~\$150 per year
- Different rates for In District vs. Out of District?
 - This already occurs at the Rec Center

Other Notes

- Athletics Complex
- Look into Track and Athletic Complex
 - Track is essential no matter what
- One area for lights
- Pickleball
- Commitment Drive
- Next Steps
 - Survey
 - Operational - Includes Capital Projects
 - Community Activity Center
 - Athletics
 - Troy contact Hoffman and Cesa for Survey Help
 - College Students to Survey?
- JH - Kris Strauman
- Give the public the information.
- Groups/Clubs - Lions, Rotary, Churches, Town Meetings, Q and A at District
- Maybe the need to have multiple surveys

Next Meeting Date

- Daycare and Rec Center Fees
- Survey Options
- Handful of RFP's - see if there is a savings