

Board of Directors Meeting Agenda



March 10, 2026

Time: 4:00 p.m.

Location:

Heartland AEA
6500 Corporate Drive, Johnston
Conference Room 113

Phone:

Dial: 1-669-900-6833
Meeting ID: 981 7444 4512 followed by #
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Zoom Link:

<https://heartlandaea.zoom.us/j/98174444512>

Participants:

Ms. Liz Brennan Board President	Ms. Tiara Mays-Sims Board Vice President	Vacancy, DD1 Board Member	Ms. Jenny Ugolini Board Secretary
Mr. Shawn Holloway Board Member	Ms. Mary Poulter Board Member		Dr. Kristi Upah Chief Student Svcs. Officer
Mr. Kasey Huebner Board Member	Ms. Margie Schwenk Board Member	Mr. Kevin Fangman Chief Human Res. Officer	Dr. Cindy Yelick Chief Administrator
Mr. Mark Lane Board Member	Ms. Heather Sievers Board Member	Dr. Susie Meade Chief Academic Officer	Mr. Brian Whalen Director of Business Services

President: Liz Brennan **Recorder:** Jenny Ugolini

Board Meeting at 4:00 p.m.

Time	Topic/Process	Presenter	Outcome
5 min.	1.01 Roll Call & Welcome	Liz Brennan	Roll call and approval of the agenda.
	1.02 Approval of Agenda		
	1.03 Approval of minutes from Feb. 10 and Feb. 26, 2026	Liz Brennan	Review and approval of minutes from Feb. 10 and 26, 2026.
	1.04 Public Forum and Correspondence	Liz Brennan, Cindy Yelick	Hear comments from members of the public and share Board correspondence.

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2. Discussion Items

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20 min.	2.01 Iowa Dept. of Education AEA Desk Audit	Cindy Yelick	Board members will be updated on the April AEA Desk Audit.
15-20 min.	2.02 Legislative Update	Cindy Yelick	Board members will be updated on education bills that passed the first funnel deadline.
10 min.	2.03 Spirit Lake CSD and Heartland AEA Transfer of State Funding Contract	Cindy Yelick	Board members will discuss the Spirit Lake CSD Transfer of Funding Contract with Heartland AEA.
10 min.	2.04 Heartland AEA Tentative Agreement with the Heartland Education Association (HEA) for 2026-27	Kevin Fangman, Brian Whalen	Board members will be updated on the agreement reached with the HEA.

3. Action Items

Time	Topic/Process	Presenter	Outcome
5 min.	3.01 Heartland AEA Tentative Agreement with the Heartland Education Association for 2026-27	Kevin Fangman, Brian Whalen	Board members may approve the 2026-27 Tentative Agreement with the Heartland Education Association.
	3.02 Spirit Lake CSD and Heartland AEA Transfer of State Funding Contract	Cindy Yelick	Board members may approve the Spirit Lake Transfer of Funding Contract.

4. Consent Agenda

Time	Topic/Process	Presenter	Outcome
5-7 min.	4.01 Personnel Report	Kevin Fangman	Handout: Personnel Report Admin. Recommendation: approval
	4.02 Board Financial Reports	Brian Whalen, Shawn Holloway	Handout: Financial statements Admin. Recommendation: approval
	4.03 Purchase Requests • <i>SecureW2</i> - \$37,145.93	Et al	Handout: Purchase Requests Admin. Recommendation: approval
	4.04 Norwalk CSD Master Service Agreement (Cyber Security)	Susie Meade	Handout: Service Agreement Admin. Recommendation: approval
	4.05 2025-26 Agreement for Jt. Exercise of Governmental Powers Pursuant to Iowa Code Chapt. 28E between	Brian Whalen	Handout: Agreement Admin. Recommendation: approval

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	Des Moines Independent Community Schools District and Heartland AEA (Title I Students in Ellipsis)		
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5. Chief Administrator Comments

6. Board Comments

7. Adjourn