

Villisca Community School
Special Session – Joint Board Meeting with Corning CSD
April 27, 2026

President Jason Poston called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. in the board room at Southwest Valley High School. Directors answering roll call were Gray, Shipley, Williams, and Poston. Also present was Secretary Forsythe.

Corning Board of Directors:
Stephanie Hodapp
Howard Anderson
Staci Venteicher
Trent Roberts
Adam Boswell

Also present was:
Jodi Lyddon, Corning Board Secretary

MOTION by Williams, second by Gray to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Also present were Jeff Kruse and Paul Tedesco with EDWise search firm.

MOTION by Shipley, second by Taylor to enter into Closed Session for superintendent interviews per – Iowa Code Section 21.5(1)(a) and 21.5(1)(i) of the open meetings law to evaluate the professional competency of an individual whose appointment, hiring, performance, or discharge is being considered when a closed session is necessary to prevent needless and irreparable injury to that individual’s reputation and that individual requests a closed session. The board entered at 5:34 p.m. Following a roll call vote the motion was approved unanimously.

The boards returned to open session at 6:32 p.m.

Also present were Tim Hood and Paul Tedesco with EDWise search firm.

MOTION by Shipley, second by Gray to enter into Closed Session for superintendent interviews per – Iowa Code Section 21.5(1)(a) and 21.5(1)(i) of the open meetings law to evaluate the professional competency of an individual whose appointment, hiring, performance, or discharge is being considered when a closed session is necessary to prevent needless and irreparable injury to that individual’s reputation and that individual requests a closed session. The board entered at 6:38 p.m. Following a roll call vote the motion was approved unanimously.

The boards returned to open session at 7:48 p.m.

Also present were Paul Tedesco with EDWise search firm.

MOTION by Shipley, second by Gray to enter into Closed Session to discuss superintendent finalist candidates per – Iowa Code Section 21.5(1)(a) and 21.5(1)(i) of the open meetings law to evaluate the professional competency of an individual whose appointment, hiring, performance, or discharge is being considered when a closed session is necessary to prevent needless and irreparable injury to that individual’s reputation and that individual requests a closed session. The board entered at 7:50 p.m. Following a roll call vote the motion was approved unanimously.

The boards returned to open session at 8:28 p.m.

It was the consensus of the Boards to offer a contract to Tim Hood as interim superintendent.

MOTION by Williams, second by Shipley to approve Tim Hood as interim superintendent, at \$50,000 with benefits, for the 2026-2027 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION by Williams second by Shipley to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessie Forsythe
Board Secretary

Jason Poston
President