

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPECIAL SESSION
MARCH 9, 2026 MINUTES**

100: CALL TO ORDER & DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM

The special session of the Linn-Mar Board of Directors was called to order at 5:00 PM in the boardroom of the Educational Leadership Center (3556 Winslow Rd, Marion). Roll was taken to determine a quorum. Present: Buchholz, Foss, Langston, Mansoor, Morey, Thomas, and Lowe Lancaster. Administration present: Kortemeyer, Galbraith, Ramos, Wear, Christian, Faber, and Nelson.

200: ADOPTION OF AGENDA

– Motion 154.03.09

MOTION by Langston to adopt the agenda as presented. Second by Buchholz. Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

300: SPECIAL SESSION

301: Approval of Retirement

– Motion 155.03.09

MOTION by Thomas to approve the retirement of Superintendent Amy Kortemeyer effective at the end of the 2025-26 school year. Second by Buchholz. Thanks were shared with Superintendent Kortemeyer for her service to the district. Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

302: Approval of Hiring

– Motion 156.03.09

MOTION by Mansoor to approve issuing a three-year contract to Dr. Nathan Wear to serve as Superintendent of Schools beginning July 1, 2026, with a first year compensation of \$250,000.00. Second by Buchholz. Roll call vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

303: Approval of Bid – Exhibit 303.1

– Motion 157.03.09

MOTION by Morey to approve Eastern Iowa Excavation and Concrete as the lowest responsive, responsible bidder for the Linn-Mar High School parking lot early site package for a base bid of \$918,291.25. Second by Mansoor. Galbraith shared the bids were lower than previously estimated. Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

304: Indoor Activities Center & Associated Renovations Update

Chief Financial/Operating Officer Jonathan Galbraith and representatives from OPN Architects shared a design development update on the indoor activities center project and associated renovations including a review of the project timeline, an update on the design and budget, and next steps.

400: ADJOURNMENT

- Motion 158.03.09

MOTION by Morey to adjourn the special session at 6:54 PM. Second by Mansoor.
Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Katie Lowe Lancaster, Board President

Jonathan Galbraith, Board Secretary/Treasurer