

Hill Country Cloggers Board Meeting
February 10, 2026

The Hill Country Cloggers held their monthly meeting at the Tamarac Elementary School Library on Tuesday, February 10, 2026. President George Beaudoin called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m.

The attendees recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board members present at the meeting included George Beaudoin, Audrey Koester, Barbara Butler, Jackie Lawlor, Katherine Wiley, and Christopher Chien. Barbara Dzembo was absent.

****Secretary's Report****

The board members reviewed the minutes from the January 13, 2026 meeting. Katherine Wiley proposed approving the minutes, and Christopher Chien seconded the motion. The motion passed.

****Treasurer's Report****

The board members reviewed the Treasurer's Report for January 2026. Audrey Koester made a motion to accept the report, which Christopher Chien seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

****OLD BUSINESS****

Audrey Koester submitted the deposit for the Christmas Party at the Hilton Garden Inn, scheduled for December 13, 2026.

The annual payment for the Hill Country Cloggers' P.O. Box at the Post Office has been completed.

No one inspected the dance floor for slipperiness.

Hill Country Cloggers is proud to sponsor the first-ever International Folk Festival in the beautiful mountains of Mars Hill, North Carolina, from July 1 to July 6, 2026. As a "Folk Art Enthusiastic Sponsor," the name of Hill Country Cloggers will be featured on the festival sponsor banner, as well as in the intermission slideshow and program. Additionally, Hill Country Cloggers will receive two farewell performance tickets with preferred seating.

If you are interested in attending, please let Fran know by May 31. You can reach her via email at franb@nycap.rr.com or by texting 518-669-4382. The drawing for tickets will take place on June 1.

****NEW BUSINESS****

Sunday, July 19, 2026 will be the **HCC Annual Family Picnic** at the Brunswick Town Beach.

Katherine Wiley proposed a motion to allocate donations to the following facilities, which was seconded by Barbara Butler. The motion was approved with the following allocations:

- The Grange: \$250
- Tamarac Elementary School: \$250
- West Hoosick Baptist Church: \$50

A discussion among the Board Members took place regarding stipends for conventions. The Board decided to increase the stipend from \$50 to \$60 for those attending conventions in 2026. The increase to \$60 was proposed by Audrey Koester and seconded by Christopher Chien. The motion was approved.

To qualify for a stipend, you must meet the following criteria:

1. Must have signed up to be a 2026 member of Hill Country Cloggers NO LATER than December 31, 2025.
2. Must have attended at least 10 practices during the 2025 calendar year
3. Must register as a Hill Country Clogger (HCC) and perform or attend as a representative of HCC.
4. Must attend at least one workshop class when attending a convention.
5. Must provide the treasurer with a copy of the registration form and proof of payment no later than 14 days after the convention. Registration sheets with canceled checks or paid receipts from the Internet will be accepted. Handwritten letters will not be accepted.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Christopher Chien and seconded by Barbara Butler. The motion carried, and the meeting was adjourned at 6:32 p.m.