

Board of Education Meeting
Southwest Public Schools
District 179
September 15, 2025

President Jason Neseth called the regular meeting of the Southwest Public Schools Board of Education to order at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, October 13, 2025, at the Southwest Junior-Senior High School in Bartley.

Present: Brooke Brooks, John O'Dea, Jennifer McConville, Derek Meyers, Jason Neseth, Duane Teter, Superintendent Drew Billeter, and Krista Kennedy.

Absent: None

Visitors: Sagan Downer, Hillery Kennedy, and Mindy Haag.

President Neseth observed Open Meeting Law requirements.

Moved O'Dea, seconded by McConville, to approve the board meeting agenda as presented. Ayes: Meyers, Brooks, McConville, Neseth, Teter, and O'Dea. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Notices of the meeting were posted at the Adams Bank and Trust in Indianola, the Stockmen's Bank in Bartley, Post Offices in Bartley and Indianola, Southwest Elementary School in Indianola, Southwest Junior-Senior High School in Bartley, and published in the Valley Voice newspaper and on the school website. Notice of the meeting was given in advance to all members prior to the meeting date.

Moved by Teter, seconded by McConville, to approve the minutes of the October 13, 2025, and the previous 2025 Board Meeting minutes. Ayes: Meyers, Brooks, Neseth, Teter, and O'Dea. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Moved by McConville, seconded by Brooks, to approve the claims as presented. Ayes: McConville, Meyers, O'Dea, Neseth, Teter, and Brooks. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The treasurer's report was presented to the Board.

Superintendent Billeter reported on the need for extra storage for the custodian room and general maintenance items. Billeter presented several options, including a stand-alone storage container or an additional small building. Billeter also presented to the board on updating the current Coach Bus. Multiple repairs have been done to the current one and would like to look at the possibility of purchasing a different used coach bus.

Moved by O'Dea, seconded by McConville, to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 p.m. Ayes: O'Dea, McConville, Meyers, Neseth, Teter, and Brooks. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Agenda for meetings will be kept continually current and available for public inspection in the office of the Superintendent.

The next regular board meeting will be held on Monday, November 17th, 2025, at 7:30 p.m. at the Southwest Junior-Senior High School in Bartley.