

Board of Education Meeting
Southwest Public Schools
District 179
October 5, 2026

President Jason Neseth called the special meeting of the Southwest Public Schools Board of Education to order at 7:32 p.m. on Monday, October 5, 2026, at the Southwest Junior-Senior High School in Bartley.

Present: Brooke Brooks, Jennifer McConville, Derek Meyers, John O'Dea, Jason Neseth, Duane Teter, Superintendent Drew Billeter, Principal Mike Tines, and Patricia Smith.

Absent: None.

Visitors: Cris Charley, Brad and Adrienne Randel, Jason Meyers, and Jeff Brooks.

President Neseth observed Open Meeting Law requirements.

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

Notices of the meeting were posted at the Adams Bank and Trust in Indianola, the Stockmens 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 McConville, seconded by Brooks, to approve the 2026-2027 budget with consideration for the following funds: General, Depreciation, Employee Benefit, Contingency, Activities, Special Building, School Nutrition, Qualified Capital Purpose Undertaking, Cooperative, and Student Fee. Ayes: Brooks, Neseth, Teter, and McConville. Nays: Meyers and O'Dea. Motion carried.

Moved by Teter, seconded by McConville, to approve the district property tax request for the 2026-2027 school fiscal year. Ayes: Brooks, Neseth, Teter, and McConville. Nays: Meyers and O'Dea. Motion carried.

Moved by Teter, seconded by O'Dea, to adjourn the meeting at 7:34 p.m. Ayes: McConville, Meyers, Neseth, Teter, O'Dea, 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, October 12, 2026, at 7:30 p.m. at the Southwest Junior-Senior High School in Bartley.