

Budget Hearing
Southwest Public Schools
District 179
September 24, 2026

President Jason Neseth called the budget hearing to order at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 24, 2026, at the Southwest Junior-Senior High School in Bartley.

Present: Brooke Brooks, Derek Meyers, Jennifer McConville, Jason Neseth, Duane Teter, Superintendent Drew Billeter, Principals Tara Fries and Mike Tines, and Patricia Smith .

Absent: John O'Dea.

Visitors: Christian Arterburn, Cris Charley, Chase Dickson, Dave McConville, Arlyn Minary, Patrick Minary, Jason Meyers, Jeremy Meyers, and Les Roggenkamp.

The Board was available to listen to support, opposition, criticism, suggestions, or observations from district patrons relating to the adoption of the proposed budget of expenditures for all district funds for the 2026-2027 school year and to consider amendments relative thereto. Superintendent Billeter summarized the budget, and no action was taken.

Board Member Derek Meyers voiced many questions regarding dollars reported for various programs in the budget.

President Neseth adjourned the hearing at 6:36 p.m.