

AGWSR BOARD MINUTES

The AGWSR Board of Education held a Regular meeting Monday, July 14, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. in the Ackley District Office Board Room. President Josh Meyer called the meeting to order and the mission statement was read. Roll call was taken with board members Gabby Fistler, Matt Rose (via zoom), Lanae Metzgar, Eric Minter, Tim Diamond and Pat Scallon present. Also present was Superintendent Ben Petty, Board Secretary Deb Barker, Principal Ashley Sires, Principal Keith Reuter and Principal Michael Wabel. A list of visitors is on file for future reference.

Motion by Diamond to adopt the agenda as presented with the deletion of 4i) Recommendations and 4d) purchases, seconded by; carried 7-0.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Motion by Diamond to Approve Consent Agenda. Seconded by Scallon. Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting held on June 9, 2025; Approve Payment of Monthly Bills; Approve Resignation from Emma Engelkes as Little Cougar Playhouse Daycare Worker; Approve Resignation from Stacie Bass as Fall/Winter Concessions Manager; Approve Vocal/Band Fundraiser as presented; carried 7-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

The board approved and appointed Deb Barker as School Board Secretary/Treasurer, for the 2025-26 fiscal year on a motion by Fistler, seconded by Rose; carried 7-0.

Motion by Diamond, seconded by Minter to use Ahlers & Cooney P.C., Des Moines, IA and Craig & Smith L.L.P., Eldora, IA as 2025-26 legal counsel for AGWSR Schools; carried 7-0.

Motion by Scallon, seconded by Fistler and carried 7-0 to approve the continuation of Ackley World Journal as the 2025-26 official newspaper for publication.

GNB Bank in Ackley, Green Belt Bank and Trust in Ackley, People Savings Bank in Wellsburg and ISJITS were named as 2025-26 official depositories with the maximum deposit amounts set at 15,000,000 at each on a motion by Minter, seconded by Scallon and carried 5-0 with Meyer and Fistler abstaining.

Motion by Minter, seconded by Scallon to approve the EMC Insurance renewal for Property/Casualty as presented; carried 7-0.

Motion by Fistler, seconded by Scallon to approve the 2025-26 Student Handbook as presented with changes discussed and noted; carried 7-0.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT:

Supt. Petty led a discussion on potential future board procedures and invited input from the board regarding any necessary changes. Updates on the Science Grant claim filing. Discussion on Future Facilities and Bond Status. Exploration of a Potential New Lifewise Program.

Next Regular Meeting will be held on Monday, August 11, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. in the Ackley District Office Board Room.

Motion by Minter to adjourn. Seconded by Scallon. Motion carried with a roll call of 7-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.