

SPIRIT LAKE COMMUNITY SCHOOL  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
REGULAR MEETING  
JANUARY 12, 2026

The Spirit Lake Community School Board of Directors met in regular session at 5:30 p.m. in the District Office Board Room at 2701 Hill Avenue. Present were board members Sonja Hamm, Greta Gruys, Jeromy Mouw, and Mieka Stecker. Teresa Beck was absent. Also present were David Smith-Superintendent, Jane Loveall & Ashley Weber, Board Secretaries/Treasurers, the Administration/Department Team, Officer Vos, 8 staff members, 4 visitors, and 6 students.

Vice President Sonja Hamm called the meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Visitors were recognized and welcomed.

Gruys/Stecker moved/seconded to approve the agenda. All aye vote. Motion carried.

Mouw/Stecker moved/seconded to approve the consent agenda including the following:

A) Minutes of the December 8 regular meeting; B) Claims for payment of \$312,779.27; C) Employment of Katlyn Ackerman as HS Asst. Boys Track coach and Michael Gewecke as Activity/Sub Bus Driver; Resignation of Katlyn Ackerman as HS Asst. Softball Coach. All aye vote. Motion carried.

Kyle Zankowski and middle school students presented on the MS robotics team and their recent competition.

Financial Report/Public Report was presented by Jane Loveall and Ashley Weber.

Stecker/Gruys moved/seconded to approve the At-Risk/Dropout Plan for the 2026-2027 school year. All aye vote. Motion carried.

Mouw/Gruys moved/seconded to approve the request to the School Budget Review Committee (SBRC) for Modified Supplemental Amount and Supplemental Aid for the 2026-2027 Dropout Prevention Program in the amount of \$449,605 for expenditures necessary to implement the 2026-2027 at-risk and dropout prevention program plans as approved by the Spirit Lake CSD school board. Roll call vote was taken. Ayes: 4 Nays: 0. The motion passed by a vote of 4 to 0.

Gruys/Stecker moved/seconded to approve a resolution for the sale of the 2009 Chevrolet Suburban to Timothy Webb for \$3,000. A notice of the intended sale was published for two consecutive weeks. Roll call vote was taken. All aye vote. Motion carried.

Dr. Smith gave an overview of the support center concept and what processes are being developed.

Mouw/Gruys moved/seconded to approve a contract being entered in with Heartland AEA effective July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2028. All aye vote. Motion carried.

Mouw/Stecker moved/seconded to approve the addition of the MOC program as a curricular program of the school. All aye vote. Motion carried.

Gruys/Stecker moved/seconded to adjourn. All aye vote. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:27 p.m.

Jane Loveall  
Board Secretary

Sonja Hamm  
Board Vice President