SPIRIT LAKE COMMUNITY SCHOOL
BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S
REGULAR MEETING
JULY 13, 2026

The Spirit Lake Community School Board of Directors met in regular session at 5:30 p.m. in the District Office Boardroom at 2701 Hill Avenue. Present were board members Jeromy Mouw, Sonja Hamm, Greta Gruys and Mieka Stecker. Brandon Meyer was absent. Also present were David Smith - Superintendent, Jane Loveall and Ashley Weber-Board Secretaries/Treasurers, the Administration/Department Team, 10 visitors, 3 staff member and 1 student.

President Jeromy Mouw called the meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, and visitors were recognized and welcomed.

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

Stecker/Gruys moved/seconded to approve the consent agenda including the following: A) Minutes of the regular meeting on June 8 and special meeting on June 29; B) Claims for payment of $581,642.95; C) Employment of Mari Andera, Breanne Lundt, Ashley Miller, and Kristina Phillips as ES Associate, Laura Brann as HS Associate, Jackson Laven as HS Head Girls Golf Coach, and Paige Lynn as HS Asst Girls Soccer Coach. Resignations of Terry Butler as Co-Head HS Girls Golf Coach and MS Volleyball Coach, Lisa Spieker as MS Associate, and Noah Vant Hof an HS Asst Boys Basketball Coach; D) Open Enrollment Applications out to Okoboji for Jasper Alexander, Sally Block, Jesse Dibble, and Penelope Van Middendorp; E) ILCC Contract for 4+ transitional services; F) 26-27 GWAEA Infinite Campus Support Agreement; G) ILCC Career Connect Contract for 2026-27. All aye vote. Motion carried.

Mike Fergen addressed the board regarding the completion of the FY25 State Audit. At this point the district has not received any communication from the state regarding a state audit.

Gruys/Stecker moved/seconded to approve the FY25 Audit. All aye vote. Motion carried.

Elementary, Middle School, High School, Activities, Learning & Development, Nurse, Talented & Gifted and Technology year-end reports were reviewed by the board.

The 2026-2027 fundraiser list was presented to the board for review.

IASB 2026 Legislative Priorities were discussed. The Board agreed to review and each submit their top 4 choices to the Board Secretary by the end of July. The Board Secretary will gather the responses, determine the 4 chosen priorities and submit to IASB.

Mike Fergen addressed the board regarding school performance and other documentation.

Bob Kirschbaum addressed the board regarding the necessity of a closed session. President Jeromy Mouw presented Iowa code which allows closed session.

Hamm/Stecker moved/seconded to go into closed session as per Iowa Code 21.5.1.i for purpose of the Superintendent's yearly evaluation. Roll call vote. All aye vote. Motion carried. The Board went into closed session at 5:51 p.m.

Gruys/Stecker moved/seconded to come out of closed session. Roll call vote. All aye vote. Motion carried. The Board came out of closed session at 6:19 p.m.

Hamm/Gruys moved/seconded to approve the Superintendent's FY27 Contract for 3 years with a 3% salary increase on base pay to $230,215 and vacation days at 28 with carryover of 14 allowed. All aye vote. Motion carried.

Stecker/Gruys moved/seconded to adjourn. All aye vote. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Jane Loveall	Jeromy Mouw
Board Secretary	Board President