

Wednesday, January 14, 2026

The regular meeting of the Irene-Wakonda School Board was held on Wednesday, January 14, 2026 at the Memorabilia room in Wakonda. Members present were Amanda Healy, Mike Girard, Mike Logue, Mike Pollman and Brian Spurrell. Administrators present were Al Leber, Pam Rudd, Deb Lyle and James Strang.

Mike Logue, Board President, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Mr. Leber led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion was made by Mike Pollman and seconded by Amanda Healy to adopt the agenda.

Motion carried.

Spotlight on Education. Stephanie Ganschow and two of her actors Alyssa Kirschenman and Mario Dmitrovic came to talk about the one act play "Tracks". The community one act play performance will be held on Monday, January 26, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. The Region one act play will be Wednesday, January 28, 2026 at USF.

Motion was made by Mike Girard and seconded by Brian Spurrell to approve the following consent agenda items: The minutes of the regular and special meetings in December, the financial reports – General Fund – Beginning balance - \$970296.83 + receipts - \$162201.11 – accounts payable - \$37000.77 – payroll - \$208212.37 – bank charges - \$156.83 + unemployment - \$17943.93 + CD - \$50000.00 = \$955071.90; Capital Outlay – Beginning balance - \$1891304.24 + receipts - \$44287.60 – accounts payable - \$75688.96 + CD - \$200000.00 = \$2059902.88; Special Education – Beginning balance - \$1435155.78 + receipts - \$32525.42 – accounts payable - \$12227.83 – payroll - \$58193.10; Food Service – Beginning balance - \$16168.07 + receipts - \$14313.63 – accounts payable - \$14479.44 = payroll - \$11344.98 = \$4657.28; Driver's Ed – beginning balance - \$2.55 + receipts - \$.03 = \$2.58; - Bank Rec – beginning balance - \$4208716.89 + credit card transfer - \$380.30 – adjustment - \$106.58 – outstanding checks - \$42095.70 = \$4166894.91. Savings account – General Fund - \$137634.13 + Capital Outlay - \$146130.13 + Special Education - \$15112.58 = \$298876.84; Trust & Agency – Beginning balance - \$128368.25 + receipts - \$13461.42 – accounts payable - \$14230.97 = \$127598.70; Scholarships – Clifford Anderson - Balance - \$1912.41 – CD - \$37464.85; Joe Logue – Balance - \$776.42; John Nelson – Balance - \$5261.38 CD - \$4648.26; Wakonda Scholarship – Balance - \$343.77; Radio Lease - Balance - \$2016.34; Community Scholarship – Balance - \$2084.48; Bob & Barb Satter – Balance - \$753.39; CD - \$9457.11; The bills – General Fund – ASBSD – webinar - \$50.00; Appeara – laundry - \$276.13; BluePeak – telephone - \$1642.74; BMO – credit card - \$10433.12; Buhl's Cleaners – clean costumes - \$92.65; Cash-Wa – FFVP - \$1338.31; Century Business – copies - \$1140.41; CFC – heating fuel/bus diesel - \$1197.86; Chesterman – pop - \$865.16; CHS – heating fuel - \$9112.95; City of Irene – water - \$1099.17; Dakota Ace – supplies - \$21.16; Dakota PC Warehouse – TV - \$229.98; Dramatic Publishing – one act play - \$190.35; Eagle Stop – gas - \$76.81; Fischer Disposal – garbage pick up - \$445.00; Flower Patch – supplies - \$173.05; Haich Enterprises – repair - \$266.24; Health Equity – H S A Fee - \$18.00; Irene-Wakonda School – Impressed fund/staff meals - \$2250.63; JW Pepper – supplies - \$66.99; Klautd Service – heating fuel - \$3114.75; Menards – supplies - \$281.55; MRG Hauff – supplies - \$110.40; New Century Press – ads/minutes - \$125.24; Northtown repair - \$158.27; Olson's Pest Control – pest control - \$306.00; Popplers Music – supplies - \$55.00; Prochem Dynamics – supplies - \$1154.12; Pump & Stuff – gas - \$1168.15; Southeastern Electric – electricity - \$5667.81; Town of Wakonda – water - \$355.60; Vestis – laundry - \$207.27; Wholesale Supply – conc supplies - \$3756.14 - Total - \$47445.01; Capital Outlay – Ackerman – repair - \$306.12; Century Business – copier lease - \$1311.85; G&R Controls – repair - \$165.00; ITS – monitoring - \$180.00; Irene-Wakonda School – impressed fund - \$101.00; Nelsen Electric – repair - \$13064.80; Overdrive – Overdrive - \$1100.00; Pye Barker – maintenance - \$497.00; Valley Athletics – BBB Uniform - \$221.22 = Total - \$16946.99; Special Education – BMO – credit card - \$320.00; Children's Care – Sped Student - \$8266.81; Children's Home Society – \$6431.20; Sped Parent – mileage/travel - \$1736.00; Southeast Area Coop – Sped Costs - \$6662.51 Total - \$23416.52; Food Service – Cash-Wa – purchased food - \$6243.47; Chesterman – ala carte - \$135; East

Side Jersey – milk - \$680.91; SD Dept of Ed – purchased food - \$1123.85 – Total - \$8183.23; Trust & Agency – BMO – credit card - \$201.60; Davis Designs – FCCLA shirts - \$194.00; Region 6 FCCLA – registration - \$299.90 – total - \$695.50; Impressed fund – Alannah Aesoph – Angel Tree/Vet’s Day - \$1805.94; Dallas Hansen – ref - \$50.00; Eric Schmid – ref - \$168.72; Gayville-Volin – JH GBB tourney - \$75.00; Hanson School – JH GBB Tourney - \$75.00; John Bohrer – ref - \$168.72; Literacy Resources – textbooks - \$101.00; Matt Lyngstad – ref - \$250.00; Mike King – Region VB - \$350.00; Monte Bohrer – ref - \$222.80; Paul Gustad – ref - \$150.00; SDHSAA – Region VB - \$3530.65; SDMEA – registration - \$480.00; Tri State Windshield – Repair - \$500.00; Troy Hansen – ref - \$50.00 Total - \$7977.83; Salaries – General Fund - \$203974.91; Special Ed - \$55282.50; Food Service - \$11906.32; Payables – H S A – contribution - \$150; Life Insurance - \$421.26; AFLAC - \$1703.19; Annuity - \$31.00; Annuity - \$625.00; Cancer Insurance - \$46.50; Health Insurance - \$6785.20; Garnishment - \$868.25; Auto Insurance - \$209.70; Life Insurance - \$83.64; IDShield - \$146.40; Annuity - \$31.00; SDRS Supplemental - \$255.00; Vision - \$235.00; SDRS - \$11268.76; FIT - \$12310.96; Medicare - \$2814.96; Social Security - \$12036.33; Bus Diesel quotes – Klaudt - #2 - \$2.4790 - #1 - \$2.9180; CFC - #2 - \$2.486 - #1 - \$2.898 – accept quote from Klaudt; Heating Fuel Quotes - #2 – Klaudt - \$2.2040; CFC - \$2.215 – accept quote from Klaudt Motion carried.

The Superintendent and Principal’s gave their reports.

Motion was made by Amanda Healy and seconded by Brian Spurrell to approve OSHA training for students in place of the NCRC training. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Mike Girard and seconded by Mike Pollman to name our new gym “The Hutch” “Home of the Eagles” to honor Mr. Dave Hutchison, our long time Superintendent. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Brian Spurrell and seconded by Mike Girard to hire the administration for the 2026-2027 school year – Pam Rudd – Business Manager, Deb Lyle – Elementary Principal – James Strang – Jr/Sr High Principal. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Mike Pollman and seconded by Amanda Healy to accept the resignation of Peggy Wegner. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Brian Spurrell and seconded by Mike Girard to accept the resignation of Deb Kinnunen at the end of the 2025-2026 school year. Motion carried. Thanks to Mrs. Kinnunen for all of your years of service to the students and district of the Irene-Wakonda School

Motion was made by Amanda Healy and seconded by Mike Pollman to accept the Superintendent Contract from Larry Baker. Mr. Baker will start July 1, 2026. Salary - \$112,000.00 - Motion carried.

Motion was made by Amanda Healy and seconded by Mike Girard to go into executive session at 6:59 p.m. Motion carried.

Mike Logue, Board President, declared executive session over at 7:21 p.m.

Motion was made by Mike Girard and seconded by Mike Pollman to adjourn at 7:22 p.m. Motion carried.

Mike Logue, Board President

Date

Pam Rudd, Business Manager

Date