

Ida Public Schools
Regular Board of Education Meeting
December 8, 2025 @ 6:00 p.m.
High School Media Center

Mission

The mission of Ida Public Schools is to advance its traditions of providing students with a safe learning environment, exceptional curricula, skills to meet the challenges of the future, and the means to become lifelong learners.

MINUTES

This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting.

- I. At 6:00 p.m. Jamie Hunter, President called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll call of board members

Present: Todd Albring, Stan Arnold, Jamie Hunter, Edward Stotz, and Ryan Winkelman

Absent: Sara King and Sarah Lambert (arrived at 6:15 p.m.)

Staff Present: Superintendent David Eack; Curriculum Director Sarah Ash; Principals Lucy Bekcer and Stacy Maynard; Elementary Assistant Principal Mitchell Graves; Technology Director Ryan Kisonas and Secretary Janie Dressel

It was determined a quorum was present. Mrs. Hunter welcomed those in attendance.

- II. **Approval of Minutes**

A motion was made by Todd Albring supported by Ryan Winkelman accepting the minutes of the November 10, 2025 Board of Education meeting as presented for adoption.

Discussion

The roll call vote passed 5 to 0. (Absent: King and Lambert)

- III. **Recommended Board Acceptance Items/Consent Agenda**

Comment: Background materials for Consent Agenda topics were sent to the Board of Education prior to this meeting. Any Board member can remove any topic from the Consent Agenda and place the item in the Discussion Topics area.

Approved: The check register as presented for Board acceptance and authorization for payment. The total of the computer listing of invoices is \$1,026,079.36.

Approved: The resignation due to retirement of Adrienne Faust.

Approved: The tentative 2026-2027 District Calendar. (Attachment A)

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Approved: The disposal, donation, and/or recycling of library books from the High School Media Center.

Approved: The hiring of Brittany Johnston for the Part-time Food Service, Transportation, and Custodial/Maintenance Departments Administrative Assistant, pending onboarding.

A motion was made by Ryan Winkelman supported by Todd Albring to accept the Consent Agenda as presented.

Discussion

The roll call vote passed 5 to 0. (Absent: King and Lambert)

Discussion Topics

IV. Curriculum Topics

- A. Sarah Ash - Our mid-year NWEA and STAR testing for our K-4th grade students will tentatively start the week of January 5th. Planning for spring state testing at the middle and high school is underway. On November 24th 6th-12th grade teachers had a ½ of PD while the Elementary and 5th grade teachers had additional conferences. Teachers worked with their department and Middle School teachers also met as grade levels to focus on MTSS for the second marking period. Our next district wide professional development day will be on January 19th. I am working with each building to provide meaningful choices for teachers to choose from. I completed and submitted the Future Educator Grant Explore grant at the end of November. This grant would help offset the cost of our high school teacher cadet courses. We had a Curriculum Council meeting on December 4th, notes are posted on the district website.
- B. Recommended Resolution: Accept the quote from Really Great Reading supplemental literacy resource for students K-6th grade per the recommendation of Sarah Ash.

A motion to approve Recommended Resolution by Ryan Winkelman supported by Todd Albring to accept the quote from Really Great Reading supplemental literacy resource for students K-6th grade for approximately \$151,765 to be paid from section 35m grant.

Discussion

The roll call voted passed 5 to 0. (Absent: King and Lambert)

V. Business Operations/Recent Legislation

- A. Financial Legislative Update

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VI. District Wide

A. Recommended Resolution: Accept the quote from Thompson Plumbing, Heating, and A/C Inc for the upgrade of water filtration system according to state guidelines.

A motion to approve Recommended Resolution by Sarah Lambert supported by Ryan Winkelman to accept the quote from Thompson Plumbing, Heating, and A/C Inc for the upgrade of water filtration system according to state guidelines for \$71,325 to be paid from the Filter First grant.

Discussion

The roll call vote passed 6 to 0. (Absent: King)

VII. Personnel

A. Vacancies/Postings

1. Bus Driver(s)
2. Elementary Music Teacher
3. Paraprofessional
4. JV Boys Golf Coach
5. Part-time Food Service, Transportation, and Custodial/Maintenance Administrative Assistant

VIII. Athletics/Extra Curricular Activities

A. Director's report

IX. Next Meeting Dates

A. Recommended Topics for the Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting on Monday, January 12, 2026.

1. Organizational Meeting for Oath of Office, Election of Officers, and Committee Assignments
2. Board Member Appreciation Month
3. Regular Business Meeting
4. Budget Parameters for the 2027 Budget

B. Recommended Topics for the Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting on Monday, February 9, 2026.

1. Regular Business Meeting
2. Fiscal Year 2027 Preliminary Budget Presentation

X. Forthcoming Activities and Building/Department Updates

A. Forthcoming Activities

Date	Activity	Comment
Mon, Dec 8	Regular Board Meeting	6:00 p.m.

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Sat, Dec 20 – Sun, Jan 4	County wide Winter Break	
Mon, Jan 5	Classes Resume	
Mon, Jan 12	Regular Board Meeting	6:00 p.m. High School Media Center
Wed, Jan 21	Exams Begin	
Thu, Jan 22	First Semester Exams	½ day
Fri, Jan 23	First Semester Exams	½ day
Mon, Jan 26	Second Semester Begins	
Mon, Feb 9	Regular Board Meeting	6:00 p.m. High School Media Center
Mon, Feb 16	Professional Development Day	No students

B. Building/Department Updates

XI. Comments from the Public

Persons wishing to address the Ida Board of Education may do so during the 'Comments from the Public' agenda section. Please identify yourself and the organization you represent if you would like us to provide a response. Individual presentations may be limited to three minutes, timed by Board Secretary, unless it is the consensus of the Board to permit additional time. Total time allocated for any one topic will be an hour unless the Board determines that additional time is warranted. Specific guidelines for public comment are outlined in Board Policy 0167.3

XII. Closed Session

Closed Session Requested: Prior to entering into a Closed Session a ROLL CALL VOTE must be taken. The resolution must stipulate the reason for the Closed Session.

Recommended Resolution: The Ida Board of Education will enter into closed session pursuant to section 8(a) of the open meetings act to discuss the Superintendent's evaluation.

A motion was made by Ryan Winkelman, at 6:52 p.m., supported by Sarah Lambert to enter into closed session pursuant to section 8(a) of the open meetings act to discuss the Superintendent's evaluation.

Discussion

The roll call vote passed 6 to 0. (Absent: Lambert)

The board members returned from closed session at 7:57 p.m.

XIII. Return to Open Session

Jamie Hunter called the open session of the board meeting to resume at 7:58 p.m.

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XIV. Acceptance of the Superintendent's Evaluation

A. Recommended Resolution: The Board of Education hereby adopts the Superintendent's evaluation as summarized by Jamie Hunter, President, Ida Board of Education.

A motion to approve Recommended Resolution by Ryan Winkelman supported by Stan Arnold to accept the Effective rating of the Superintendent's Evaluation.

Discussion

The roll call vote passed 6 to 0. (Absent: King)

XV. Motion to Adjourn

A motion was made by Sarah Lambert, at 7:59 p.m., supported by Edward Stotz to adjourn the December 8, 2025 board meeting.

The roll call vote passed 6 to 0. (Absent: King)

Respectfully submitted,
Janie Dressel
Secretary

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Attachment A

TENTATIVE
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2026-2027 School Calendar

September 2026

Tues., Sept. 1	Professional Development Day (8-3:30); No Students Open House – ES 4:30-6:00 p.m., MS 4:30-6:00 p.m., HS 4:30-6:00 p.m.; 5 th grade student orientation 3:45-4:30 p.m.
Wed., Sept. 2	Professional Development Day (8-3:30); No Students
Mon., Sept. 7	Holiday - Labor Day
Tues., Sept. 8	First Day for Students

October 2026

November 2026

Mon., Nov. 2	Professional Development Day (8-3:30); No Students
Fri., Nov. 6	End of 1 st Marking Period
Mon., Nov. 23	½ day: K-4 P/T Conferences (1-3 and 5-8); 5 th grade Conferences (1-4); 6 th -8 th grades and HS PD (1-4)
Tues., Nov. 24	½ day: K-4 P/T Conferences (1-4); M.S. and H.S. Conf (1-3 and 5-8)
Wed., Nov. 25	½ Day
Thurs., Nov. 26-	Holiday - Thanksgiving Recess
Sun., Nov. 29	
Mon., Nov. 30	Classes Resume

December 2026

Sat., Dec. 19–	
Sun., Jan. 3	County wide Winter Break

January 2027

Mon., Jan. 4	Classes Resume
Mon., Jan. 18	Professional Development Day (8-3:30); No Students
Wed., Jan. 27	Exams Begin
Thur., Jan. 28	<i>First Semester Exam – ½ day</i>
Fri., Jan. 29	<i>First Semester Exam – ½ day (90 Days with students, 94 teacher days)</i>

February 2027

Mon., Feb. 1	Second Semester Begins
Mon., Feb. 15	Professional Development Day (8-3:30)(Online PD); No Students

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March 2027

Fri., Mar. 26
Sat., Mar. 27-
Sun., Apr 4

Holiday – Good Friday; No Students
County wide Spring Break

April 2027

Mon., Apr 5
**Wed., Apr. 7
**Thur., Apr. 8
**Fri., Apr. 9

Classes Resume
PSAT 8, all grades report to school
PSAT 9, PSAT 10, WIN 11, all grades report to school
SAT 11; End of 3rd Marking Period

** Subject to change

May 2027

Mon., May 31 Holiday - Memorial Day

June 2027

Wed., June 9
Thur., June 10
Fri., June 11

Mon., June 14-
Wed., June

Exams Begin
Second Semester Exams – $\frac{1}{2}$ day
Second Semester Exams – $\frac{1}{2}$ day (87 Days with students, 91 teacher days); Students Last Day
PD in place of 18-hour Teacher led PD*

Calendar Notes:

- Teacher Led PD (18 hours due by April 30, 2027).
- *For those who miss this deadline, they will turn in a Plan for PD that requires a transcript. This must be completed by June 1, 2027, and is the responsibility of the teacher.
- Any teacher who does not fulfill 3 days of the Plan for PD by June 16 will have a pay deduct, according to what was not completed.
- The Principal or Curriculum Director will sign all completed PD forms. If you have questions on what qualifies please see forms or speak with the Curriculum Director.
- No reimbursements for the 18 hours of Teacher led PD.
- Virtual options available for school sponsored PD when possible.