

**Special Board Meeting - February 16, 2026**  
**Joint Board Meeting with Alden CSD**  
Alden CSD Library

1. The Iowa Falls Board of Education was called to order in special session at 5:32 p.m. with Stauffer, Robison, Weeks, Hoversten and Parker present. This was a joint meeting with the Alden Board of Education.
2. A quorum of members was declared.
3. Motion by Parker, seconded by Hoversten to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 5-0.
4. Visitors were welcomed.
5. A public hearing was held on the 2026-27 school calendar. The board will only revise the calendar if any legislative bills are passed that requires such changes.
6. Motion by Hoversten, seconded by Robison to approve the calendar option which features a 3-day long spring break and a two-week long winter break. School will start on August 24, 2026, with a planned ending date of May 27, 2027. Motion carried 5-0.
7. The board discussed student make-up days for the 2025-26 school year. There is currently two snow days. The approved calendar states the first four snow days will be forgiven. There was no additional action taken. Staff will work June 1st-4<sup>th</sup> and have made up one of the missed snow days. We can miss up to two more days because of the hours built into the calendar.
8. Motion by Parker, seconded by Weeks to approve the shared contracts with the Alden Community School District for FY27. These include: Physical Education/Health instructor, Director of Student Transportation, Director of Facilities and Maintenance, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Instrumental Music instructor, Social Worker, TLC Elementary Instructional Coach, Vocal Music Teacher, District Librarian, Elementary Counselor, and Part-Time Special Education Director (new for the 2026-2027 school year). Motion carried 5-0.
9. Motion by Hoversten, seconded by Parker to extend the Superintendent sharing agreement with the Alden Community School District for FY27. Motion carried 5-0.
10. The Whole Grade Sharing agreement was reviewed. It expires at the conclusion of the 2027-2028 school year. This will be an agenda item on an annual basis.
11. Dr. Neumann reviewed the current realities of each district's enrollment trends and financial forecasting, including the impact on sharing positions and receiving additional state funding for those operational sharing positions. A three-part video series will be sent to all staff and parents in an effort to begin discussions early about a possible unified elementary system. No decisions were made. The goal is for each district to thrive rather than simply survive.
12. Motion by Parker, seconded by Robison to adjourn the meeting at 6:53 p.m. Motion carried 5-0.

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Board President

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Board Secretary