

**BAXTER COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
JULY 15, 2026
6P.M.**

PRESENT: President Cory Robinson, Zach Morphew-Rapp, Tyler Akins, Alyssa Plunkett, Ray Hauser, Superintendent, Chris Petersen, and Board Secretary, Julie McWhirter.

OTHERS PRESENT: Jasper County Sheriff Deputy, School Resource Officer, Josh Britton

I. Call to Order: President Robinson called the July meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

II. Approval of Agenda: Hauser moved, seconded by Akins, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried (5y-0n).

III. Approval of Consent Items: Akins moved, seconded by Hauser, to approve the payment of bills totaling \$74,091.87 and minutes of the June 17, 2026 regular board meeting, as presented. Motion carried (5y-0n).

IV. Correspondence: None.

V. Public Forum: None.

VI. Business Items:

A. Safety and Security Report: Jasper County Sherriff Deputy, School Resource Officer, Josh Britton requested input from board members regarding the beginning revisions of the district's Safety and Security Plan and procedures with the implementation of the "I Love U Guys" crisis response and post-crisis reunification program.

B. Membership on the Board: Akins moved, seconded by Hauser, to approve the continuation of a five-member board which currently consists of the following members: President Cory Robinson, Zach Morphew-Rapp, Tyler Akins, Alyssa Plunkett, and Ray Hauser. Motion carried (5y-0n).

C. Approve Revision to Board Policy 504.06: Student Activity Program: Akins moved, seconded by Morphew-Rapp, to approve the revisions to *Board Policy 504.06 Student Activity Program* which pertains to the newest legislation authorizing eighth graders to play varsity sports with final decisions made at the district level with parent approval. Motion carried (5y-0n).

D. Annual Review Board Policies: 700's-900's: Admin and board members will begin reviewing, updating, and/or implementing board policies numbered 700 through 900's. The August board meeting will serve as the first reading, as required.

- a. [700's](#)
- b. [800's](#)
- c. [900's](#)

E. Open Enrollment: Hauser moved, seconded by Akins, to approve open enrollment in applications from Kayla Mason for her daughter, Savannah, to continue at Baxter CSD after a

recent move into SE Polk CSD; and from Mollie Bottorff for her daughter, Mallory, after a recent move into SE Polk CSD, as recommended. Motion carried (5y-0n).

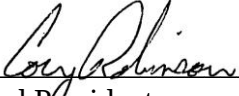
F. Personnel: Akins moved, seconded by Hauser, to approve contracts for Robyn Winner as MS head volleyball coach; and Robert Yeltman as MS assistant volleyball coach, as recommended. Motion carried (5y-0n).

G. Facilities, Grounds, & Transportation: The majority of the summer projects are complete. The Voc Ag classroom roof resurfacing will wrap up the big projects.

H. Superintendent's Report: Mr. Petersen updated board members on the legislative items that have or will become laws as they pertain to the district. Preparation has begun for the 2026-27 school year. The HS girls basketball team will travel to Okoboji for an overnight team camp.

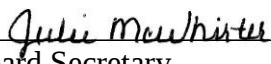
VII. Adjournment: Akins moved, seconded by Morphew-Rapp to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 7:31pm. Motion carried (5y-0n).

The regular July board meeting minutes will be presented for approval at the regular August board meeting.



Board President

8/19/2026
Date



Board Secretary

8/19/2026
Date