



MONTHLY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

2/17/2026

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Board Members

Larry Kilmer

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John Fielding

Vice Chairman

John Demerly

Supervisor

Steve Cosgray

Supervisor

Rich Hines

Supervisor

Bruce Reynolds

Associate Supervisor

Staff

Katie Snowberger

District Administrator

PRESENT Derek, John F, Rich H, Bruce, Katie, Marty, Larry

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 8:05 by John F

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND FINANCIAL REPORTS

Jan Minutes/Financials

Motion By: Larry

Seconded By: Rich H

Motion Carried

3. STAFF & PARTNER REPORTS

Staff/Office Update

Katie gave her updates for the month. She is going to look into the seeder that was shared between White County and Carrol County.

NRCS Update

Derek is working on Equip contracts, has 17 applications. Working on equip training and Regen Ag. Has 1 contract for Regen Ag.

ISDA Update

Geneva submitted her update.

Extension Update

Marty presented some of his events he has attended, and he has some winter schools coming up. Marty and Katie attended a meeting with CCSI to talk about getting an event set up for next year. This year they are talking about doing something in November.

RC&D Update

The RCD Committee met and went over the grant applications. White County SWCD received funding, the application was 7th out of all the applications. Katie gave an update on the RCD ED Committee, they

are working on finishing up the Regional Envirothon. The Envirothon is on March 11th at Camp Buffalo.

Other Partners

Penny was able to give an update. She said they are still working on the language for the Farm Bill.

4. OLD BUSINESS

Annual Meeting

Katie wanted to see if the board would be ok doing a blanket motion to cover all the cost of the upcoming annual meeting. Because there will be small things that need to be purchased for the meeting. This will allow bills to be paid without delay. It was asked how many cups the board would like to purchase for the meeting. The board said that 50 would be enough since we normally have about that many. Olivers catering wanted to set up the menu for our meeting. It was discussed on brisket and pulled pork for the main meal. The sides were mashed potatoes, corn casserole, and a side salad. The desserts and drinks will also provided by Olivers. The number of people the meal is planned for will be about 50-60. The booklets have been ordered; soils items also have been ordered. Tom Walters will be doing the awards and Katie has sent him an outline of what needs to be written onto the awards. Tom had some issues with his equipment but said that he will have the awards ready for us at our meeting. It was requested that Katie see if she can find a list of past supervisors. Katie told the board she was able to find a list from the supervisors from 1951 up till present day.

Tri County FFA has been contacted to be invited to the meeting to honor them for the National Soils Contest. It was requested Katie contact the banks to invite them and to invite the media to our meeting.

Motion: For funding for the Annual meeting be set at \$2,500.00 to cover any cost that come up for the annual meeting.

Motion By: Rich

Seconded By: Larry

Motion Carries

Business Plan

Katie had sent Marty the business plan that is currently being worked on to get his thoughts on what we are wanting to do. Katie and Marty will keep reviewing the old plan and the new plan to make them flow. Once Katie and Marty have reviewed and written up a plan they will get back with Rich to let him know their thoughts.

5. NEW BUSINESS

AFR

Katie passed out to the board 2025s AFR for review. The board reviewed and approved the amounts entered onto the AFR. Katie is going to submit the AFR to Gateway and GMS.

Motion: To accept the AFR as reviewed by the board.

Motion By: Larry

Seconded By: Rich

Motion Carried

Internal Controls

Katie wanted to let the board know that it was needed to create a policy for reoccurring bills. This was a problem that came up during SBOA Audit. There have been bills in the past that have been paid prior to discussion with the board. This policy will help elevate the issue of paying before discussion.

Motion: To cover the payments for office expenses for the rest of the calendar year for 2026.

Motion by: Larry

Seconded by : Rich

Motion Carried

6. OTHER

7. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 10:20am

Next meeting will be held on:

3/10/2026

Time: 6:00pm

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