

**ADEL SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
April 6, 2026 – 7:00 PM**

MEMBERS PRESENT

- Jim Hiatt
 - Aja O’Keeffe (via Zoom)
 - Peter Osborne (via phone)
 - Jason Jaeger
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STAFF PRESENT

- Lane Stratton, Superintendent/Principal
 - Tonya Stratton, Clerk
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PUBLIC PRESENT

- Brandi Neider
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OPENING

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by Jason Jaeger at Adel School in Adel, Oregon.

AGENDA

Jim Hiatt moved to approve the April 6, 2026 Special Meeting agenda. Aja O’Keeffe seconded. The motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- None
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INFORMATION / DISCUSSION ITEMS

Brandi Neider presented a PowerPoint to the board regarding the Givan Irrigation Project. The project affects Adel Elementary School due to its 1880 water right; if the district does not make beneficial use of this water right, it could be subject to forfeiture.

The board learned that a pump station will be installed to supply water to participating landowners. Grant funds will cover the pump and approximately 400 feet of pipe. In order for the school to access water from the ditch, the district would need to install its own pump system and develop a method to convey water to the property line, which would require an initial financial investment.

During discussion, Jim Hiatt asked whether there would be any long-term costs to the district. Concerns were raised regarding ongoing ditch maintenance and potential repairs to the pump station. It was noted that landowners are responsible for maintenance. Brandi Neider shared that discussions have taken place with the water district regarding a potential Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to support future maintenance needs, such as pump or fish screen repairs. This agreement could allow for collaboration in securing grant funding, helping to reduce the financial burden on participating landowners.

It was further noted that, in order to participate in the cooperative, the district would need to implement a system demonstrating beneficial use of its water right. Signing the cooperative agreement would allow grant funds to be released for the project and would define the roles, responsibilities, and expectations of all parties involved, including the watershed council, project sponsor, and water right holders.

ADJOURNMENT

Jim Hiatt moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:36 p.m. Peter Osborne seconded. The motion carried.

Jason Jaeger, Vice Chair

Lane Stratton, Principal