
Board of Directors' Governance Committee Meeting Minutes
October 2, 2025

The Iowa Public Radio, Inc. Governance Committee met virtually on October 2, 2025, with the meeting originating from Iowa Public Radio, 2111 Grand Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa. Present at the meeting were Directors Ken Brown, Nora Everett, Libby Jacobs, Warren Madden, Helen Miller and David Yepsen. Present from Iowa Public Radio were Executive Director Myrna Johnson and Director of Finance Lynn Jones-Folsom.

Committee Chair Libby Jacobs called the meeting to order at 2:02 p.m. Roll call was taken.

Ken Brown – virtual from Iowa City

Nora Everett – virtual from Des Moines

Libby Jacobs – virtual from Des Moines

Warren Madden – virtual from Ames

Helen Miller – virtual from Des Moines

David Yepsen – virtual from Des Moines

Agenda

Chair Jacobs moved to approve the agenda. Motion approved.

Minutes

Director Madden moved to approve the minutes from the August 7, 2025, meeting. Director Miller seconded. Motion approved.

Board Member Nominations

There were three nominees for new Board members. Katie Roth, Renee Schaff and Grant Veeder were nominated. Director Everett motioned to approve the nominations of the new Board members. Director Madden seconded. Motion approved.

Board Officer Nominations

Per IPR bylaws, officers are elected for two-year terms. Typically, there would be no nominations at this time. However, since Chair Everett is rolling off as Board Chair, we will need to nominate a candidate to fill the remaining year of Director Everett's term. Director Madden moved to nominate Director Jacobs as Board Chair and Director Brown as Vice Chair. Director Everett seconded. Motion approved.

Bylaws Modifications

The committee considered draft changes to the bylaws. Those draft changes 1) create the position of Immediate Past Chair, 2) allow Chairs whose board terms are expiring to serve one additional year to fill the Immediate Past Chair role, and 3) change officer terms from two-year terms to one-year terms. These changes will apply only to officer appointments made on or after October 1, 2025. Director Brown moved to approve the Bylaws modifications and Director Madden seconded. Director Everett recused herself from the vote. Motion approved.

Director Madden left the meeting at 2:27.

Adjourn

Chair Jacobs moved to adjourn the meeting. Meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.