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**Board of Directors' Governance Committee Meeting Minutes**  
**March 12, 2026**

The Iowa Public Radio, Inc. Governance Committee met virtually on March 12, 2026, with the meeting originating from Iowa Public Radio, 2111 Grand Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa. Present at the meeting were Directors Ken Brown, Nora Everett, Helen Miller, David Yepsen and Grant Veeder. Present from Iowa Public Radio were Executive Director Myrna Johnson and Director of Finance Lynn Jones-Folsom.

Committee Chair Ken Brown called the meeting to order at 3:18 p.m. Roll call was taken.

Ken Brown – virtual from Iowa City	David Yepsen – virtual from Des Moines
Nora Everett – virtual from Hilton Head, SC	Helen Miller – virtual from Des Moines
Grant Veeder – virtual from Des Moines	

Director Miller joined the meeting at 4:02.

### **Agenda**

Chair Brown moved to approve the agenda. Motion approved.

### **Minutes**

Chair Brown moved to approve the minutes from the December 4, 2025, meeting. Director Everett moved to approve, and Director Yepsen seconded. Motion approved.

### **Bylaw Changes**

The committee reviewed and discussed proposed changes to the Governance Committee charter to change the title of Executive Director to Chief Executive Officer. Counsel has reviewed the proposed change and has provided the necessary edits to execute this change. Chair Brown moved to approve the stated bylaw changes. Director Veeder moved for approval and Director Everett seconded. Motion approved.

### **Review Board Member terms list**

Director Brown reviewed the list of current board members and their associated remaining terms. The Committee discussed the next recruitment period, including the potential of any members rolling off or choosing to leave the Board after their first term ends. There was additional conversation regarding the ideal number of members on the Board and whether this number

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could be revised from the current number of eighteen members. There is a potential opportunity to add an Investment Committee in future years.

### **Board needs and Recruitment Focus for Election Cycle**

The Committee discussed current members, members rolling off and potential other openings for the next cycle. The Committee discussed the importance of having geographically diverse members. The group also discussed the possibility of having non-Board members participate as committee members, an advisory board or an Emeritus/Ex-Officio position who is kept engaged in the process.

### **Board Self-Assessment**

Director Brown will create a draft survey for Board members to determine the Board's effectiveness. Are there strengths that should be amplified or things the Board could improve upon. A survey would be helpful for gathering useful information. The group discussed questions for a survey. Since staff capacity is limited, could the full Board be used more effectively during the engagement and recruitment process. Important discussions to have in the future include how to get Board members to feel more engaged.

### **Adjourn**

Chair Brown moved to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 4:09.