

**Coles County SWCD
Board Meeting Minutes
May 12, 2026**

The May board meeting of the Coles County SWCD was held on Tuesday, March 10th, 2026, at the USDA Service Center in Charleston.

Directors Present: Todd Easton, J.C. Doty, and Bill Janes

Associate Directors: None

SWCD Staff: Kellie Diveley, Julie Gass, and Malina Przygoda

Guests: None

Agenda: The meeting started at 7:33. The agenda was reviewed. Janes made a motion to approve the agenda, Doty seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Minutes: The March meeting minutes were reviewed since the April meeting was cancelled. Doty made a motion to approve the minutes, Jane seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Timesheets: Employee timesheets were reviewed.

Travel Reports: March and April's milage reports were reviewed. Jane made a motion to approve the milage, Doty seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Financial Reports:

The financial reports for March and April were reviewed. Easton made a motion to approve both financial reports, Doty seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Correspondence:

None

Business:

No Action Required:

The District was informed that the new road signs through AISWCD should be up soon.

The budget draft was given. Voting on approval of the budget will take place in June.

Action Required:

Summer Conference was discussed. As of this meeting, Easton and Doty will be attending. They will get back to Przygoda on if they are attending the full conference and Easton will discuss with AISWCD if we still pay for his attendance or if they.

The district's NACD membership was discussed. Easton made a motion that we continue to do the membership as we historically have, at the \$775 level, to keep our email and other benefits of the membership. Doty seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

July's board meeting is currently scheduled for the 14th, which is during the Summer Conference. After a brief discussion, it was found that July 21st is the best alternative. Przygoda will make sure to notify the other board members.

The NACD photo contest was mostly discussed via email. All three categories were won by Sandra Cooper. Przygoda presented one final category, Conservation Practices. The board voted for Pasture Paradise by Deb Gough as the winner of the fourth category.

Staff Reports: Attached

Open Discussion: None

Upcoming Events:

May 1- June 1: PFC "Ranking" Window

June 9th: Next meeting

June 30th: FLASH Field Day

July 13-15th: Summer Conference

Closing: The meeting adjourned at 8:15 a.m.

Bill Janes, Chairman

