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IOWA PBS MEETING — AUGUST 2024

Meeting. The Iowa Public Broadcasting Board (Iowa PBS) met for a regular meeting on August 14, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. at the PBS headquarters in Johnston.

Elections. The Iowa PBS Board unanimously elected Kevin Krause as president and Jason Giles as vice president succeeding the current president, Courtney Maxwell Greene, and vice president, Angie Anderson.

FY 2026 State Appropriations Budget Request. Iowa PBS received an appropriation of \$8.1 million from the General Fund for FY 2025 and has requested status quo funding from the General Fund for FY 2026.

Iowa PBS is seeking \$7.85 million in capital funding for FY 2026 to replace its 53-year-old broadcast transmission tower and aging equipment at KDIN in Polk County. This request represents the first year of a two-year update for the KDIN broadcast tower, which serves all of central Iowa. Iowa PBS is prioritizing this tower due to equipment exceeding its life expectancy and replacement parts no longer being manufactured or sold. Iowa PBS also discussed additional capital requests through FY 2030 as shown below.

Iowa PBS 5-year Transmitter Replacement Plan		
<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Proposed Projects</u>	<u>Capital Requests</u>
FY 2026	Des Moines Replacement Tower	\$7,855,800
FY 2027	Des Moines Transmitter, Antenna, and Rigging	4,686,600
FY 2028	Sioux City, Mason City, and Red Oak Transmitters	4,627,015
FY 2029	Fort Dodge and Iowa City Transmitters	3,435,000
FY 2030	Replacement Translator Equipment for 7 Sites	2,985,000

Next Meeting. Iowa PBS's next meeting is scheduled for October 9, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. at the PBS headquarters in Johnston.

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