

*Special Education District
Franklin and Jefferson Counties*

Governing Board Minutes

April 7, 2026

The Governing Board of the Special Education District of Franklin and Jefferson Counties met in regular session on Tuesday April 7, 2026. The meeting was held at the Franklin-Jefferson Counties Special Education, Benton, Illinois. Chairman Jaymie Nunnery called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M. The recording secretary took roll and a quorum was established. Jason Henry presented a proxy for Clark Lance, Kashia Cook presented a proxy for Jared Fourez, Kristin Ing presented a proxy for Jonathon Edwards, and Kim Matthews presented a proxy for Jay Tate. The Listed Governing Board members were present.

Voting Members Present:

Lex Stewart, Benton #47
Travis Seddon, Akin #91
Kashia Cook, Christopher #99
Robin LaBuwi, Benton #103
Kristin Ing, Ewing-Northern #115
Krista Shelby, Thompsonville #174
Ryan Martin, Zeigler-Royalton #188
Jason Henry, Sesser-Valier #196
Douglas Hoffman, Rome #2
Matt Bryan, Opdyke-Belle Rive #5
Crystal Clarke, McClellan #12
Kim Matthews, Summersville #79
Jaymie Nunnery, Mt Vernon Grades #80
Brandon McCoy, Bethel #82
Chelsey Duncan, Spring Garden #178
Terry Knowles, Mt. Vernon #201
Kevin Withrow, Bluford Unit #318

Non-voting Guests:

District Administrative Staff:

Jera Pieper, Director, FJSPED #801
Andrea Kelley, Treasurer, FJSPED #801

Minutes:

A motion to approve the minutes of the October 30, 2025 regular meeting was made by Robin LaBuwi seconded by Terry Knowles. A roll call vote was taken.

Voting for the motion: Lex Stewart, Travis Seddon, Kashia Cook, Robin LaBuwi, Kristin Ing, Krista Shelby, Ryan Martin, Jason Henry, Douglas Hoffman, Matt Bryan, Crystal Clarke, Kim Matthews, Jaymie Nunnery, Brandon McCoy, Chelsey Duncan, Terry Knowles, Kevin Withrow.

Voting against the motion: None

Motion carried.

Financial Report:

The February 28, 2026 Financial Report was presented. A motion was made by Lex Stewart, seconded by Kristin Ing, to approve the Financial Report as presented. A roll call vote was taken.

Voting for the motion: Lex Stewart, Travis Seddon, Kashia Cook, Robin LaBuwi, Kristin Ing, Krista Shelby, Ryan Martin, Jason Henry, Douglas Hoffman, Matt Bryan, Crystal Clarke, Kim Matthews, Jaymie Nunnery, Brandon McCoy, Chelsey Duncan, Terry Knowles, Kevin Withrow.

Voting against the motion: None

Motion carried.

Personnel:**Employment Calendar:**

A motion to approve the April 7, 2026 Employment Calendar, representing personnel action taken by the Executive Board at the November 18, 2025, December 18, 2025, January 20, 2026, February 17, 2026 and March 18, 2026 as presented was made by Robin LaBuwi, seconded by Chelsey Duncan. A roll call vote was taken.

Voting for the motion: Lex Stewart, Travis Seddon, Kashia Cook, Robin LaBuwi, Kristin Ing, Krista Shelby, Ryan Martin, Jason Henry, Douglas Hoffman, Matt Bryan, Crystal Clarke, Kim Matthews, Jaymie Nunnery, Brandon McCoy, Chelsey Duncan, Terry Knowles, Kevin Withrow.

Voting against the motion: None

Motion carried.

Consent Calendar:

Director Pieper presented the Consent Calendar authorizing her to prepare:

- A. Grant Applications for the 2026-2027 School Year
- B. Budget for FY 27
- C. Amended Budget for 2025-2026

A motion to approve the Consent Calendar items as presented was made by Terry Knowles, seconded by Crystal Clark. A roll call vote was taken.

Voting for the motion: Lex Stewart, Travis Seddon, Kashia Cook, Robin LaBuwi, Kristin Ing, Krista Shelby, Ryan Martin, Jason Henry, Douglas Hoffman, Matt Bryan, Crystal Clarke, Kim Matthews, Jaymie Nunnery, Brandon McCoy, Chelsey Duncan, Terry Knowles, Kevin Withrow.

Voting against the motion: None

Motion carried.

Consider Updated Joint Agreement:

A motion to approve the Updated Joint Agreement was made by Ryan Martin, seconded by Kristin Ing.

The motion carried with a voice vote of all ayes, with nays being none.

Other:

None

Adjournment: At 6:43 p.m. a motion to adjourn was made by Robin LaBuwi seconded by Crystal Clark.

The motion carried with a voice vote of all ayes, with nays being none.

Jaymie Nunnery, Chairman

Debra Meredith, Secretary