



Special Executive Board Minutes

August 6, 2026

The Executive Board of the Special Education District of Franklin and Jefferson Counties met in special session on Thursday, August 6, 2026. The meeting was held in the conference room at Franklin-Jefferson Counties Special Education, Benton, IL. Chairman, Mike Denault, called the meeting to order at 8:00a.m. Roll was taken by the recording secretary, and a quorum was established. All listed Executive Board members were physically present.

Executive Members Present:

Adam Cross, Bluford #318
Lindsay Robinson, Thompsonville #174
Sarah Mellott, Rome #2
Jamey Hodges, Farrington #99
Kristin Ing, Ewing #115 (Zoom)
Quent Hamilton, Zeigler-Royalton #188
Jason Henry, Sesser-Valier #196
Mike Denault, Waltonville #1
Chad LeCrone, Mt. Vernon, IL 62864
Eric Helbig, Woodlawn #209
Ryan Swan, Mt. Vernon #80
Charley Cass, Bethel #82
Tammy Beckham, Spring Garden #178

Executive Members Absent:

Eric McCollum, Akin #91
Kaisha Cook, Christopher #99
Craig Clark, Opdyke-Belle Rive #5
Tommi Ryan, Grand Prairie #6
Robin Brooks, McClellan #12
Benjy Johnson Benton #103
Jennifer Arnold, Field #3
Kim Matthews, Summersville #79
Steve Smith, Benton #47

Administrative Staff:

Andrea Kelley, Treasurer, FJSPED #801

Guests:

Personnel:

Executive Session:

At 8:04 a.m. a motion to go into Executive Session for the purpose of considering *Information Regarding Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance or Dismissal of Specific Employees (5ILCS 120/2 (c)(1))* was made by Ryan Swan, seconded by Lindsay Robinson.

Upon roll call being called the following vote was recorded:

Voting for the motion: Kristin Ing, Lindsay Robinson, Quent Hamilton, Jason Henry, Mike Denault, Sarah Mellott, Ryan Swan, Charley Cass, Jamey Hodges, Tammy Beckham, Chad LeCrone, Eric Helbig, Adam Cross.

Voting against the motion: None

Motion carried.

At 8:36 a.m. a motion to come out of Executive Closed Session and return to Open Session was made by Lindsey Robinson, seconded by Jason Henry. A roll call vote was taken.

Voting for the motion: Kristin Ing, Lindsay Robinson, Quent Hamilton, Jason Henry, Mike Denau Sarah Mellott, Ryan Swan, Charley Cass, Jamey Hodges, Tammy Beckham, Chad LeCrone, Eric Helbig, Adam Cross.



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Voting against the motion: None

Motion carried.

A motion to Hire employ Cory Wisniewski. Administrator, was made by Ryan Swan Seconded by Quent Hamilton. A roll call vote was taken.

Voting for the motion: Kristin Ing, Lindsay Robinson, Quent Hamilton, Jason Henry, Mike Denault, Sarah Mellott, Ryan Swan, Charley Cass, Jamey Hodges, Tammy Beckham, Chad LeCrone, Eric Helbig, Adam Cross.

Voting against the motion: None

Motion carried.

A motion to employ Jera Pieper, Part-Time Director, for a period of one year, ending June 30th ,2027, was made by Lindsay Robinson, seconded by Kristin Ing. A roll call vote was taken.

Voting for the motion: Kristin Ing, Lindsay Robinson, Quent Hamilton, Jason Henry, Mike Denault, Sarah Mellott, Ryan Swan, Charley Cass, Jamey Hodges, Tammy Beckham, Chad LeCrone, Eric Helbig, Adam Cross.

Voting against the motion: None

Motion carried.

Other:

Governing Board meeting is scheduled for Aug 31, 2026 at 6:30 p.m. the FJSPED Office.

Adjournment:

At 8:42 a.m. a motion to adjourn was made by Adam Cross, seconded by Jason Henry.

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

Mike Denault, Chairman

Quent Hamilton, Secretary