



**Executive Board Minutes**

**March 19, 2024**

The Executive Board of the Special Education District of Franklin and Jefferson Counties met in regular session on Tuesday, March 19, 2024. The meeting was held in the conference room at the District 80 Office located at 2710 North Street, Mt. Vernon, IL. Chairman, Jason Henry, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Roll was taken by the recording secretary, and a quorum was established. All listed Executive Board members were physically present.

**Executive Members Present:**

Steve Smith, Benton #47  
Richard Towers, Christopher #99  
Kristin Ing, Ewing-Northern #115  
Lindsay Robinson, Thompsonville #174  
Quent Hamilton, Zeigler-Royalton #188  
Jason Henry, Sesser-Valier #196  
Mike Denault, Waltonville #1  
Sarah Mellott, Rome #2  
Joe Dunlap, Opdyke-Belle Rive #5  
Stuart Parks, Grand Prairie #6  
Robin Brooks, McClellan #12  
Kim Matthews, Summersville #79  
Ryan Swan, Mt. Vernon #80  
Jamey Hodges, Farrington #99J  
Neil Hargis, Spring Garden #178  
Melanie Andrews, Mt. Vernon #201  
Eric Helbig, Woodlawn #209  
Adam Cross, Bluford #318

**Executive Members Absent:**

Tammy McCollum, Akin #91  
Benjy Johnson, Benton #103  
Wayne Stone, Field #3  
Charley Cass, Bethel #82

**Administrative Staff:**

Jera Pieper, Director, FJSPED #801  
Ali Nordin, Assistant Director, FJSPED #801  
Andrea Kelley, Treasurer, FJSPED #801  
Lori McNeal, Bookkeeper, FJSPED #801

**Guests:**

**Consent Agenda:**

Steve Smith moved to approve the Consent Agenda. The items assigned to the Consent Agenda were as follows:

- (a) Approve the Minutes of Regular Meeting of February 20, 2024
- (b) Approve the Payment of Bills
- (c) Approve the Treasurer's Report

Joe Dunlap seconded the Motion. Upon roll call being called the following vote was recorded:

Voting for the Motion: Eric Helbig, Robin Brooks, Kim Matthews, Lindsay Robinson, Sarah Mellott, Quent Hamilton, Jason Henry, Joe Dunlap, Ryan Swan, Kristin Ing, Melanie Andrews, Jamey Hodges, Richard Towers, Steve Smith, Adam Cross, Stuart Parks, Neil Hargis, Mike Denault.

Voting against the Motion: None.

Motion carried.



**Personnel:**

**Acknowledge Resignation:**

A motion to approve the resignation of Speech and Language Pathologist, Sherry Kirkman, was made by Stuart Parks, seconded by Lindsay Robinson.

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

**Hiring of Personnel:**

A motion to hire Casey Ryan, Speech and Language Pathologist, was made by Ryan Swan, seconded by Jason Henry. A roll call vote was taken.

Voting for the Motion: Eric Helbig, Robin Brooks, Kim Matthews, Lindsay Robinson, Sarah Mellott, Quent Hamilton, Jason Henry, Joe Dunlap, Ryan Swan, Kristin Ing, Melanie Andrews, Jamey Hodges, Richard Towers, Steve Smith, Adam Cross, Stuart Parks, Neil Hargis, Mike Denault.

Voting against the Motion: None.

Motion carried.

**Old Business:**

**None:**

**New Business:**

A motion to approve the Infinitec Assistive Coalition Membership Renewal was made by Steve Smith, seconded by Quent Hamilton. A roll call vote was taken.

Voting for the Motion: Eric Helbig, Robin Brooks, Kim Matthews, Lindsay Robinson, Sarah Mellott, Quent Hamilton, Jason Henry, Joe Dunlap, Ryan Swan, Kristin Ing, Melanie Andrews, Jamey Hodges, Richard Towers, Steve Smith, Adam Cross, Stuart Parks, Neil Hargis, Mike Denault.

Motion Carried.

A motion to approve FY25 Extended School Year Services was made by Stuart Parks and seconded by Kristin Ing. A roll call vote was taken.

Voting for the Motion: Eric Helbig, Robin Brooks, Kim Matthews, Lindsay Robinson, Sarah Mellott, Quent Hamilton, Jason Henry, Joe Dunlap, Ryan Swan, Kristin Ing, Melanie Andrews, Jamey Hodges, Richard Towers, Steve Smith, Adam Cross, Stuart Parks, Neil Hargis, Mike Denault.

Motion carried.

**Director's Report:**

Director Pieper shared that TMC would be held on the Districts behalf on April 10, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. The Needs Assessment Survey was recently emailed to Superintendents, please complete the survey and share with staff. IDEA Grant amendments should be complete at this time. Assistant Director Nordin shared data from iReady and stated Superintendents can meet with the iReady group to review their District data. ESY will be adding an Early Childhood grade level class at the Benton location this year.

**Other: NONE**



**Adjournment:**

At 9:07 a.m. a motion to adjourn was made by Mike Denault, seconded by Ryan Swan.

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

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Jason Henry, Chairman

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Richard Towers, Secretary

