



**Franklin County
Regional Delivery System
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**Franklin County Regional Delivery System Board of Control Meeting
September 21, 9:00 a.m., Campbell Building, Benton, IL 62812**

MEETING MINUTES

Members in Attendance:

- ✓ Lorie LeQuatte, ROE #21 Superintendent of Schools, FCRDS BOC Chair
- X Benjy Johnson, Superintendent, Benton Consolidated High School District 103
- ✓ Richard Towers, Superintendent, Christopher Community Unit School District 99
- X Matt Donkin, Superintendent, Frankfort Community Unit School District 168
- ✓ Jason Henry, Superintendent, Sesser-Valier Community Unit School District 196
- ✓ Lindsay Robinson, Superintendent, Thompsonville Community Unit School District 174
- ✓ Quent Hamilton, Superintendent, Zeigler-Royalton Community Unit School District 188

Others in attendance:

- ✓ Jan Farkas, Director, Franklin County Regional Delivery System
- ✓ Alison Cross, ROE Accountant and Fiscal Agent for Franklin County Regional Delivery System
- ✓ Nancy Kinsey, Assistant Director, Franklin County Regional Delivery System

FY24 First Quarterly Meeting was Called to Order at 9:05 a.m. on September 21, 2023

A motion was made by Mr. Hamilton and seconded by Mr. Towers to approve the minutes from the June 22, 2023, meeting. The minutes were approved by a unanimous 5-0 Voice Vote.

Under New Business:

Following a brief discussion on the election of officers for FY24, a motion was made by Dr. Henry and seconded by Mr. Towers to maintain the same slate of officers currently serving on the FCRDS BOC. Officers are Lorie LeQuatte, BOC Chair; Richard Towers, Vice-Chair; and Dr. Jason Henry, Secretary/Recorder. The motion carried with a unanimous 5-0 Roll Call Vote.

Director Farkas reported that a Budget Hearing was held and was open to the public on September 21, 2023, at 8:30 a.m. in the Campbell Building. Following a brief discussion on the proposed budget, a motion was made by Mr. Hamilton to approve the FY24 Budget; Mrs. Robinson seconded the motion and it carried with a unanimous Roll Call Vote of 5-0.

Fiscal Agent for the FCRDS, Alison Cross, gave highlights on initial results of new purchasing procedures for FY24 and shared positive feedback from the schools; data on purchases confirm FCRDS is on track to meet established goals in the FY24 Spending Plans developed by Fiscal Agent Cross and provided to each school.

An expenditure report was provided to the Board, and a motion was made by Mr. Hamilton and seconded by Mrs. Robinson to pay the bills. A Roll Call Vote was taken and approved by a unanimous vote of 5-0.

FCRDS Director Jan Farkas provided highlights on activities and projects for which no action was needed. Updates included:

- Board meeting dates for FY24 were highlighted (September 21, 2023; December 14, 2023; March 21, 2024; and June 20, 2024).
- Perkins and CTEI grant applications for FY24 will be completed and submitted by June 30, 2023.
- METT Grant application for FY24 was submitted June 14, 2023; pending approval, funding will be provided for regional classes to include Carpentry (formerly Construction Trades) and potentially a Plumbers and Pipefitters class.
- FCRDS staff are working on Planning Teams for two Career Fairs in October, one to be co-sponsored by Rend Lake College and ROE #21 to be held at Rend Lake College; the other will be held at the Marion Pavilion and will be the first career fair sponsored by ROE #21 with support from several community partners.
- Updates were provided on the “Tiny House” and trailer built by a previous Construction Trades class and on Work-Based Learning plans under development.
- ISBE is in the process of developing a new funding formula for FY25; additional details and the potential impact on FCRDS will be provided as more information becomes available.
- Two extensive monitoring reports will be opening for development very soon; the LNA (Local Needs Assessment) will be completed at each Franklin County High School. The CLNA (Comprehensive Local Needs Assessment) will be completed by FCRDS from a regional perspective and will include goals to be achieved over the next four years.

Director Jan Farkas submitted a resignation letter to BOC Chair Lorie LeQuatte; BOC Chair thanked Director Farkas for her service, and a motion was made by Dr. Henry and seconded by Mr. Hamilton to acknowledge Farkas’ resignation and document the date of receipt of the letter. A Roll Call Vote was taken and passed with a unanimous 5-0 vote.

Mr. Hamilton made a motion to adjourn and Mrs. Robinson seconded it; a Voice Vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote at 9:44 am.