



**Franklin County
Regional Delivery System
ROE #21, 901 Public Square, Benton, IL 62812**

Board of Control Meeting

September 19, 2024, ROE #21 Training Room, Campbell Building, Benton, IL 62812

MEETING MINUTES

Attendance:

- X** Lorie LeQuatte, ROE #21 Superintendent of Schools, FCRDS BOC Chair
- ✓ Benji Johnson, Superintendent, Benton Consolidated High School District 103
- ✓ Richard Towers, Superintendent, Christopher Community Unit School District 99
- ✓ Matt Donkin, Superintendent, Frankfort Community Unit School District 168 (arrived at 9:15 a.m.)
- ✓ Dr. 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:

- ✓ Alison Cross, ROE Accountant and Fiscal Agent for Franklin County Regional Delivery System
- ✓ Nancy Kinsey, Assistant Director, Franklin County Regional Delivery System
- ✓ Andrew Dillman, Candidate for Full-Time FCRDS Director's Position

**FY25 First BOC Quarterly Meeting was Called to Order at 9:02 a.m.
on Thursday, September 19, 2024**

Under New Business:

Having no prior unfinished business, a motion was made to approve the minutes for both the June 20, 2024, Fourth Quarterly Meeting of FY24 and August 6, 2024, First Special BOC Meeting of FY25. Mr. Donkin made the motion and Mr. Hamilton seconded it; a Roll Call Vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously.

A brief discussion was held regarding the election of new officers for FY25; a motion was made by Mr. Hamilton and seconded by Mr. Johnson to maintain the same slate of officers from FY24 as follows: Lorie LeQuatte, BOC Chair; Richard Towers, BOC Vice-Chair; and Dr. Jason Henry, Secretary/Recorder. Alison Cross will also continue to serve as FCRDS Fiscal Agent. A Roll Call Vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously.

Alison Cross presented a financial report and the FY25 Joint Agreement Budget. A motion was made by Mrs. Robinson and seconded by Mr. Hamilton to approve the FY25 Budget and to pay the bills and reimbursement requests. A Roll Call Vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Dr. Henry and seconded by Mr. Donkin to enter into Closed Session to discuss the personnel issue regarding the hiring of a full-time Director of FCRDS. A Voice Vote was taken with all BOC members voting in agreement, so motion carried at 9:10 am.

Following a brief Closed Session, a motion was made to return to Open Session at 9:18 am; the motion was made by Mrs. Robinson and seconded by Mr. Hamilton. A voice Vote passed unanimously.

Immediately upon returning to Open Session, Mr. Towers asked Mrs. Kinsey to provide some highlights regarding Andrew Dillman. A motion was then made by Mr. Johnson and seconded by Mr. Hamilton to employ Andrew Dillman as Full-time FCRDS Director. Mr. Dillman was present and graciously

accepted the job offer and thanked the BOC for their consideration. A Roll Call vote was taken with all BOC members voting “Yes;” motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Kinsey provided an update on projects underway which needed no Board Action.

- With BOC approval, Mr. Dillman’s first day of employment will be Monday, September 30th. Mrs. Kinsey reported to the Board that she was happy to have been asked to work with Mr. Dillman through the busy month of October to ensure a smooth transition.
- Mrs. Kinsey will be working at a huge Construction Trades Career Fair at the Exhibit Hall at the DuQuoin Fairgrounds on September 24; five of the six Franklin County High Schools are sending well over 100 students to participate in this exciting event.
- Plans are underway for the annual Counselors’ Meeting in mid to late October.
- The Amazing Career Race in partnership with Rend Lake College will be held for 750 fifth and sixth graders from 9:00 am – 2:00 September 25, 26 and 27 at the RLC Event Center. Mrs. Kinsey will be making the Welcome and Opening Remarks, and she will be running the STEM activity with all 750 students, which is one of the most popular of the sixteen hands-on activities each team will complete. There will be 51 teams of four-to-six members on Wednesday and on Thursday with 45 teams on Friday with excellent participation from Franklin County Schools.
- The second annual ROE Career Fair at the Marion Pavilion will be held on October 9 for high school students throughout the ROE #21 and ROE #30 regions. Many community partners are collaborating with ROE #21 to make this event successful, including: REDCO, ROE #30, IDES, Man-Tra-Con and IDOC.
- Career Days will take place October 22 and 23, for high school Juniors and Seniors throughout the ROE #21 region, ROE #30 region and Rend Lake College District. ROE #21 and RLC are working in close partnership on this educational career event to be held in the RLC Event Center.
- Finally, ROE #21 and RLC will partner for a career event in the Spring of 2025 tailored to the area eighth-grade student population.

A motion to adjourn the BOC meeting was made at 9:31 am by Mr. Donkin and seconded by Mr. Johnson. A Voice Vote was taken, and the motion carried unanimously.