

Minutes of the Governing Board Meeting

The Governing Board of the Henry-Stark Counties Special Education District met on Thursday, March 19, 2026, at 12:01 p.m. in the Henry-Stark Counties Special Education District Administrative Office, Kewanee, Illinois.

1. ROLL CALL

Roll call showed the following members present: Mrs. Kari Kipp, Mrs. Jessica Peterson, Mr. John VanDeVelde, Mrs. Emily Leezer, Mr. Steve Newman, and Mrs. Julia Robinson. Members absent: Mrs. Carrie Boelens and Mr. Jon DeBord. Others present: Marci Jett

2. COMMENTS FROM VISITORS

None.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion was made by Leezer and seconded by Robinson to approve the following items under Consent Agenda:

- A. 12/18/25 Governing Board Minutes
- B. Bills Payable & Reimbursements: 12/15/25-02/27/26
- C. Payroll Withholdings: 12/05/25-02/27/26
- D. Payroll & Benefits: 12/05/25-02/27/26
- E. Financial Statements: 12/31/25, 01/31/26, & 02/28/26

Roll call showed VanDeVelde, Leezer, Robinson, Kipp, Peterson, and Newman voting aye. No one voted nay.

4. EXECUTIVE SESSION

None needed.

5. PERSONNEL

A motion by Peterson and seconded by Robinson to approve the following Personnel items:

- A. Personnel Chart
- B. Employment for Non-Certified Staff
- C. Requests for Leave for Certified Staff
- D. Resignations for Non-Certified Staff
- E. Contract Non-Renewal for Certified Staff

Roll call showed Leezer, Robinson, Kipp, Peterson, VanDeVelde, and Newman voting aye. No one voted nay.

6. ACTION ITEMS

A motion made by Kipp and seconded by VanDeVelde to approve the following Action item:

- A. Semi-Annual Review of the July 2025-December 2025 Closed Minutes

A motion made by Robinson and seconded by Peterson to approve the following Action item:

- B. Scholarship

A motion made by Leezer and seconded by Kipp to approve the following Action item:

- C. Authorization to Process/Release the March 2026, April 2026, May 2026, and June 2026 Payroll/Benefits/Bills Payable/Personnel

7. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

The following items were presented for discussion and/or review:

- A. FY26 Cash Flow
- B. ExCEL Report
- C. Wings Update
- D. Next Board Meeting: June 18, 2026, at 12:00 pm

8. ADJOURNMENT

With no further items for discussion, a motion was made by VanDeVelde and seconded by Robinson to adjourn. Time: 12:33 p.m.