

MACON PIATT SPECIAL EDUCATION DISTRICT (MPSED)
BOARD MEETING MINUTES – Thursday, October 16, 2025
Regional Office of Education #39
3433 Rupp Parkway; Decatur, IL 62526

Damian Jones called the meeting to order with roll call at 7:30am

Members Present: Damian Jones, Mary Vogt, Sacha Young, Emily Weidner, Michael Tresnak, Adam Ibbotson, Shane Gordon, Adam Clapp, Travis Roundcount, Cheryl Warner, Rochelle Clark (arrived 7:32), Jonathan Field (arrived 7:33)
(10 in person + 2-late)

Members Absent: None

Also Present: Kathy Horath, Liz Lang, Travis Friedrich, Ellyn Lord, Bret Hitchings, Jill Reedy, Zakry Standerfer, Nancy Brodbeck

Public Participation: None

Hearing no questions or concerns regarding the minutes presented, Chairman Jones entertained a **motion** by Supt Ibbotson to approve the Executive Board minutes from the September 18, 2025, meeting as presented, seconded by Supt Tresnak. Voice Vote: All in favor. None opposed.

Call to **CLOSED Session** at 7:31 by Supt Ibbotson motion to discuss possible litigation, appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees of the public body, seconded by Supt Vogt. Chairman Jones calls for a Roll Call Vote. The motion carries with (10) Ayes: Jones, Vogt, Young, Weidner, Tresnak, Ibbotson, Gordon, Clapp, Roundcount, Warner (2) Absent (late arrival): Clark, Field

Return to **OPEN Session** at 7:59am by Supt Tresnak, seconded by Supt Roundcount Voice Vote: all in favor, none opposed.

Roll Call Action Items

- A. **Personnel Appointments** Motion by Supt Clapp to recommend the Executive Board advise Decatur Public Schools, as administrative district for Macon-Piatt Special Education District, that the employees presented be recommended as listed, seconded by Supt Young. Chairman Jones calls for a Roll Call Vote. The motion carries with (12) Ayes: Jones, Vogt, Young, Weidner, Tresnak, Ibbotson, Gordon, Clapp, Roundcount, Field, Warner, Clark

Director's Report

- A. **Financial Update-** First bills have been sent out. This will slowly increase our fund balance, as revenue comes in. Finance Committee meetings will resume on the second Monday of the month. All members are welcome to come; no decisions will be made at the meetings. Kathy will send out invites. Kathy noted that she is following the Government shut down regarding IDEA funds potentially being held. No concerns at this time that IDEA funds will be held.
- B. **Vacancy Update-** Many Psychologist vacancies. A new job description was approved for a virtual Psychologist hoping to draw more interest to the position.
- C. **Program Update-** Pershing is still short 1 teacher. That affects the students who are turning three this year. Play groups are offered as compensatory service.
- D. **Due Process/ISBE Complaint Update-** Several upset parents but no formal complaints. Possibly one coming from Warrensburg-Latham District and one from Decatur District.

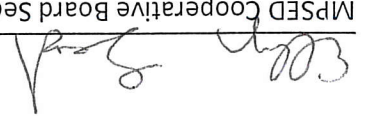
Hearing no further questions or topics to discuss, Chairman Jones entertained a motion to adjourn.

Motion by Supt Ibbotson to adjourn this meeting of the Macon-Piatt Special Education District Executive Board, seconded by Supt Clapp. Voice Vote: All in favor – Meeting adjourned at 8:05am.

Handouts: Draft September 18, 2025 Minutes
Personnel Appointments
Treasurer's Report (September)
Vendor Checks (electronically sent)
Vacancy List

****Next Meeting of the MPSED Executive Board is Tuesday, November 18, 2025, at 7:30 am at the Regional Office of Education 3433 Rupp Parkway, Decatur.**

MPSED Cooperative Board Chairperson


MPSED Cooperative Board Secretary


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