Agenda
Region III Special Education Cooperative
1800 Storey Lane, Cottage Hills, IL 62018
Regular Board Meeting
August 20, 2025 at 10:00 am

1.0 Call to Order/Roll Call
2.0 Public Comment
3.0 Informational Items
- 3.1 FBA/BIP Training, July 29, 2025
- 3.2 PEAK and AIM/ACT Training
- 3.3 Beginning of the Year Meeting, August 11, 2025
- 3.4 First Day of School

4.0 Director's Report
- 4.1 Financial
- 4.2 Personnel
- 4.3 Programs

5.0 Items for Discussion and Acknowledgement
- 5.1 Resignations-Allie Kesler, Certified Staff. Amanda Dilks, Non-certified staff, Ellie Hamburg, Non-certified staff
- 5.2 RTO Training Requirements
- 5.3 Medicaid Billing/Service Logs
- 5.4 Press Policy 119, First Reading
- 5.5 Administrative and Teacher Salary Report
- 5.6 FY 26 Region III Cooperative Budget, Second Reading

6.0 Closed Session
Pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (1) to discuss collective negotiating matters between the board and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees
Pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(1) to consider information regarding the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline of performance or dismissal of a specific employee

7.0 Action Items
- 7.1 Approve Consent Agenda
  - Regular Board Meeting Minutes, June 18, 2025
  - Monthly Bills, July 1, 2025 -August 31, 2025
- 7.2 Approve Press Policy Update, 118
- 7.3 Employment
  - 7.3.1 Amanda Peebles, Teacher, CLIP Program
  - 7.3.2 Hannah Perkins, Paraprofessional CLIP Program
  - 7.3.3 Lily Kolesa, Paraprofessional CLIP Program
  - 7.3.4 Kansas McLain, Paraprofessional, CLIP Program
  - 7.3.5 Jacob Hilkey, Paraprofessional CLIP Program
  - 7.3.6 Jessica Lorts, Occupational Therapist
- 7.4 Review and Approve Decision on Closed Session Minutes, January 2025-June 2025

7.5 Approve FY 26 Region III Special Education Cooperative Budget

8.0 Adjournment

Next Board Meeting:

Wednesday, August 27, 2025 Governing Board Meeting
6:00pm Castelli's Moonlight Restaurant

Wednesday, September 17, 2025 10:00 am

Agenda
Region III Special Education Cooperative
1800 Storey Lane, Cottage Hills, IL 62018
Regular Board Meeting
September 17, 2025 at 10:00 am

1.0 Call to Order/Roll Call
2.0 Public Comment
3.0 Informational Items
3.1 October 9 Legally Defensible Practices: From Behavior Management to Meeting Management, Aimee LeBlanc, Attorney
3.2 October 10 Institute Day @Trimpe Middle School-ESP and Region III Teachers

4.0 Director's Report
4.1 Financial
4.2 Personnel
4.3 Programs

5.0 Items for Discussion and Acknowledgement
5.1 RBT Training Program
5.2 Cyclical Monitoring Preparation
5.3 Press Policy 119, Second Reading
5.4 Resignation-Jacob Hilkey, paraprofessional

6.0 Closed Session
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7.0 Action Items
7.1 Approve Consent Agenda
Regular Board Meeting Minutes, August 20, 2025
Public Hearing Minutes, August 27, 2025
Governing Board Meeting Minutes, August 27, 2025
Monthly Bills, September 1-September 30, 2025

7.2 Approve Press Policy Update, 119-Policies 1:10, 1:20, 1:30, 2:10, 2:80, 2:130, 2:240, 3:30, 4:50, 4:90, 4:180, 5:20E, 5:270, 7:90, 7:130, 7:140, 7:300, 7:325, 8:80

7.3 Review and Approve Resolution to Dispose Equipment

8.0 Adjournment

Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, October 15, 2025 10:00 am

Agenda
Region III Special Education Cooperative
Castelli's Restaurant at 255
3400 Fosterburg Road Alton, IL 62002
Public Hearing
August 27, 2025
6:00 pm

1.0 Call to Order/Roll Call

2.0 FY 26 Budget Presentation

3.0 Public Comment

4.0 Adjournment

Agenda
Region III Special Education Cooperative
Castelli's Restaurant at 255
3400 Fosterburg Road, Alton, IL 62002
Governing Board Meeting
August 27, 2025
6:05 pm

1.0 Call to Order/Roll Call

2.0 Review and Approve Past Minutes, August 2024-June 2025

3.0 FY 26 Budget Presentation

4.0 Approve Region III Special Education Cooperative FY 26 Budget

5.0 Adjournment

Agenda
Region III Special Education Cooperative
1800 Storey Lane, Cottage Hills, IL 62018
Regular Board Meeting
October 15, 2025 at 10:00 am

1.0 Call to Order/Roll Call
2.0 Public Comment
3.0 Informational Items
3.1 October 9 Legally Defensible Practices: From Behavior Management to Meeting Management, Aimee LeBlanc, Attorney
3.2 October 10 Institute Day @Trimpe Middle School-ESP and Region III Teachers
3.3 Region Recognition

4.0 Director's Report
4.1 Financial
4.2 Personnel
4.3 Programs

5.0 Items for Discussion and Acknowledgement
5.1 RBT Training Program
5.2 Cyclical Monitoring Preparation
5.3 Behavior Interventions Procedures
5.4 Resignation-Lily Kolesa, paraprofessional
5.5 LEA Determination Letters
5.6 Administrative Outreach Claims

6.0 Closed Session
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7.0 Action Items
7.1 Approve Consent Agenda
Regular Board Meeting Minutes, September 17, 2025
Monthly Bills, October 1-October 31, 2025
7.2 Approve Employment, Rachael Randall, paraprofessional
7.3 Approve Employment, Sarah Stover, paraprofessional
7.4 Approve Employment, Brittany Wahl, paraprofessional

8.0 Adjournment

Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, November 19, 2025 10:00 am

Agenda
Region III Special Education Cooperative
1800 Storey Lane, Cottage Hills, IL 62018
Regular Board Meeting
November 19, 2025 at 10:00 am

1.0 Call to Order/Roll Call
2.0 Public Comment
3.0 Informational Items
- 3.1 Adopt-A-Family
- 3.2 Donations For Families
- 3.3 Region Recognition
- 3.4 Art Gallery and Visit with Santa, Dec 11, 2025 @EAWR Student Success Center

4.0 Director's Report
- 4.1 Financial
- 4.2 Personnel
- 4.3 Programs

5.0 Items for Discussion and Acknowledgement
- 5.1 RBT Training Program
- 5.2 Cyclical Monitoring Preparation
- 5.3 Behavior Interventions Policies and Procedures, First Reading
- 5.4 Special Education Procedures, First Reading
- 5.5 Transportation Times
- 5.6 RIF Committee Meeting

6.0 Audit Report from Dennis Rose and Associates, P.C.

7.0 Closed Session
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8.0 Action Items
- 8.1 Approve Consent Agenda
  - Regular Board Meeting Minutes, October 15, 2025
  - Monthly Bills, November 1-November 30, 2025
- 8.2 Approve Employment, Hannah Weid, paraprofessional with RBT certification
- 8.3 Approve Maternity Leaves
  - 8.3.1 Jenna Massey, SLP
  - 8.3.2 Nichole Clowers, teacher

9.0 Adjournment

Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, December 17, 2025 10:00 am

Agenda
Region III Special Education Cooperative
1800 Storey Lane, Cottage Hills, IL 62018
Regular Board Meeting
December 17, 2025, at 10:00 am

1.0 Call to Order/Roll Call
2.0 Public Comment
3.0 Informational Items
- 3.1 Adopt-A-Family
- 3.2 Art Gallery and Visit with Santa, Dec 11, 2025 @EAWR Student Success Center
- 3.3 Region Recognition
- 3.4 Journeys School Graduate, Fall 2025

4.0 Director's Report
- 4.1 Financial
- 4.2 Personnel
- 4.3 Programs

5.0 Items for Discussion and Acknowledgement
- 5.1 RBT Training Program
- 5.2 Cyclical Monitoring Preparation
- 5.3 Behavior Interventions Policies and Procedures, Second Reading
- 5.4 Special Education Procedures, Second Reading
- 5.5 Journeys School Building Update
- 5.6 FY 26 Maintenance Grant
- 5.7 FY 26 Excess Cost Application due January 15, 2026
- 5.8 Alternative Assessment-Justification and Assurances Survey

7.0 Closed Session
Pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (1) to discuss collective negotiating matters between the board and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees
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8.0 Action Items
- 8.1 Approve Consent Agenda
  - Regular Board Meeting Minutes, November 19, 2025
  - Closed Meeting Minutes, November 19, 2025
  - Monthly Bills, December 1-December 31, 2025
- 8.2 Approve Maintenance Grant Application Completion
- 8.3 Approval of Behavior Interventions Policies and Procedures Manual
- 8.4 Approval of Region III Cooperative Special Education Procedures Manual

9.0 Adjournment

Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, January 21, 2026, 10:00 am

Agenda
Region III Special Education Cooperative
1800 Storey Lane, Cottage Hills, IL 62018
Regular Board Meeting
January 21, 2026, at 10:00 am

1.0 Call to Order/Roll Call
2.0 Public Comment
3.0 Informational Items
- 3.1 Low Vision Clinic-January 28, 2026, at Region III Cooperative Office Building
- 3.2 Illinois Alliance of Administrators of Special Education, Winter Conference Feb 26-27
- 3.3 Region Recognition

4.0 Director's Report
- 4.1 Financial
- 4.2 Personnel
- 4.3 Programs

5.0 Items for Discussion and Acknowledgement
- 5.1 RBT Training Program
- 5.2 Cyclical Monitoring Preparation
- 5.3 Special Education Procedures Manual
- 5.4 Journeys School Building Update
- 5.5 FY 26 Maintenance Grant
- 5.6 Excess Cost Application Due Date Extended to March 16, 2026
- 5.7 FY 25 Special Education Reimbursement Levels
- 5.8 PRESS Policy Update 120, First Reading (excludes 4:110 and 4:140)

6.0 Closed Session
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7.0 Action Items
- 7.1 Approve Consent Agenda
  - Regular Board Meeting Minutes, December 17, 2025
  - Closed Meeting Minutes, December 17, 2025
  - Monthly Bills, January 1- January 31, 2026
- 7.2 Approve Employment,
  - 7.2.1 Autumn Greenberg, paraprofessional
  - 7.2.2 Kaylie Stahlhut, paraprofessional
  - 7.2.3 Megan Usselton, paraprofessional permanent substitute
- 7.3 Review and Approve Decision on Closed Session Minutes,
  - July 2025-December 2025
- 7.4 Approve Additional Certified Teaching Position

8.0 Adjournment
Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, February 18, 2026, 10:00 am

Agenda
Region III Special Education Cooperative
1800 Storey Lane, Cottage Hills, IL 62018
Regular Board Meeting
February 18, 2026, at 10:00 am

1.0 Call to Order/Roll Call
2.0 Public Comment
3.0 Informational Items
3.1 Special Olympics, May 2, 2026 at EAWR Memorial Stadium
3.2 Illinois Alliance of Administrators of Special Education, Winter Conference Feb 26-27
3.3 Extended School Year (Elementary @Bethalto East-June 3-July1, High School June 1-July 2)
3.3 Region Recognition

4.0 Director's Report
4.1 Financial
4.2 Personnel
4.3 Programs

5.0 Items for Discussion and Acknowledgement
5.1 RBT Training Program
5.2 Cyclical Monitoring Preparation
5.3 Journeys School Building Update
5.4 Journeys School 2026-2027 Calendar
5.5 Region III Cooperative Seniority List
5.6 Alternative Assessment Assurances and Justification, February 13, 2026
5.7 Excess Cost Application Due Date Extended to March 16, 2026
5.8 PRESS Policy Update 120, Second Reading
5.9 Region III Psychology Position
5.10 Director's Evaluation

6.0 Closed Session
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7.0 Action Items
7.1 Approve Consent Agenda
Regular Board Meeting Minutes, January 21, 2026
Closed Meeting Minutes, January 21, 2026
Monthly Bills, February 1- February 28, 2026
7.2 Approve 2026-2027Journeys School Calendar
7.3 Approval Press Policies-2:120, 2:150, 2:270, 3:10, 3:50, 3:60, 4:10, 4:30, 4:80, 4:150, 4:160, 4:170, 4:190, 5:10, 5:20, 5:90, 5:100, 5:120, 5:185, 5:190, 5:200, 5:220, 5:280, 5:300, 6:20, 6:40, 6:60, 6:130, 6:135, 6:140, 6:160, 6:210, 6:220, 6:235, 6:240, 6:260, 6:280, 7:10, 7:70, 7:130, 7:140, 7:150, 7:180, 7:190, 7:250, 7:290, 7:310, 7:315, 7:340, 8:30, 8:100

7.4 Approve Retirement, Laurie Haselhorst, COTA

8.0 Adjournment

Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, March 25, 2026, 10:00 am

This is the 4th Wednesday of the month

Agenda
Region III Special Education Cooperative
1800 Storey Lane, Cottage Hills, IL 62018
Regular Board Meeting
March 25, 2026, at 10:00 am

1.0 Call to Order/Roll Call
2.0 Public Comment
3.0 Informational Items
- 3.1 Special Olympics, May 2, 2026 at EAWR Memorial Stadium
- 3.2 Illinois Alliance of Administrators of Special Education, Winter Conference Feb 26-27
- 3.3 Extended School Year (Elementary @Bethalto East-June 3-July1, High School June 1-July 2)
- 3.4 Region Recognition
- 3.5 District Certification of Child Count, due March 27, 2026
- 3.6 Alternative Assessment Assurances and Justification, due May 29, 2026
- 3.7 District Consolidated Plan, due May 1, 2026

4.0 Director's Report
- 4.1 Financial
- 4.2 Personnel
- 4.3 Programs

5.0 Items for Discussion and Acknowledgement
- 5.1 RBT Training Program
- 5.2 Cyclical Monitoring Preparation
- 5.3 Journeys School Building Update
- 5.4 Director's Evaluation
- 5.5 Administrative Staff Salary Increase
- 5.6 Director's Contract
- 5.7 Additional OT Position, FY 27

6.0 Closed Session

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7.0 Action Items
- 7.1 Approve Consent Agenda
  - Regular Board Meeting Minutes, February 18, 2026
  - Monthly Bills, March 1-March 31, 2026
- 7.2 Approve Authorization to Prepare FY 27 Budget
- 7.3 FY 27 Board Meeting Dates
- 7.4 Approve Classroom Leases
- 7.5 Approve Administrative Staff Salary Increase
- 7.6 Approve Request for Maternity Leave, Sarah Schroeder, COTA
- 7.7 Approve Employment, COTA, Sarah Sarandis, FTE 1.0, August 2026
- 7.8 Approve Additional Occupational Therapy Position, FY 27
- 7.9 Resolution of Non-Renewal, First Year Certified Teacher, Amanda Peebles

8.0 Adjournment

Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, April 15, 2026, at 10:00 am

Agenda
Region III Special Education Cooperative
1800 Storey Lane, Cottage Hills, IL 62018
Regular Board Meeting
April 15, 2026, at 10:00 am

1.0 Call to Order/Roll Call
2.0 Public Comment
3.0 Informational Items
- 3.1 Extended School Year (Elementary @Bethalto East-June 3-July1, High School June 1-July 2)
- 3.2 Region Recognition
- 3.3 Alternative Assessment Assurances and Justification, due May 29, 2026
- 3.4 District Consolidated Plan, due May 1, 2026
- 3.5 Timely and Meaningful Consultation Meeting, May 8, 2026, 1:00 pm
- 3.6 Vision and Hearing Screenings 26-27 School Year, Bethalto CUSD 8

4.0 Director's Report
- 4.1 Financial
- 4.2 Personnel
- 4.3 Programs

5.0 Items for Discussion and Acknowledgement
- 5.1 RBT Training Program
- 5.2 Cyclical Monitoring Preparation
- 5.3 Journeys School Building Update
- 5.4 Memorandum of Agreement, Region III Cooperative Education Association, IEA-NEA
- 5.5 Update State RTO Form
- 5.6 Acknowledgement of Resignation, Ashley Weant, Social Worker

6.0 Closed Session
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7.0 Action Items
- 7.1 Approve Consent Agenda
  - Regular Board Meeting Minutes, March 25, 2026
  - Closed Session Minutes, March 25, 2026
  - Monthly Bills, April 1-April 30, 2026
- 7.2 Approval Memorandum of Agreement, Region III Cooperative Education Association, IEA-NEA
- 7.3 Approval of Employment, Certified Teacher, Lydia Steckel
- 7.4 Approval of Employment Extended School Year Staff
  - 7.4.1 Certified Staff: Klaudia Taul, Amanda Duggar, Amber Haughland
  - 7.4.2 Non-Certified Staff: Amber Deford, Rachael Randall, Hannah Weid, Erica Sechrest, McKenzie Dixon, Shawnery Davidson

8.0 Adjournment

Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, May 13, 2026, at 10:00 am

Agenda
Region III Special Education Cooperative
1800 Storey Lane, Cottage Hills, IL 62018
Regular Board Meeting
May 13, 2026, at 10:00 am

1.0 Call to Order/Roll Call

2.0 Public Comment

3.0 Informational Items
3.1 Extended School Year (Elementary @Bethalto East-June 3-July1, High School June 1-July 2)
3.2 Region Recognition and Region Royalty Awards
3.3 Alternative Assessment Assurances and Justification, due May 29, 2026
3.4 District Consolidated Plan, *Recommended submission is April 1.*
3.5 Timely and Meaningful Consultation Meeting, May 8, 2026, 1:00 pm
3.6 Training 2026-2027-August 4 Initial CPI training, August 5, 9:00-11:30 Paraprofessional Training, August 6, 8:30-11:30 PEAK Training, 12:00-3:00 AIM/ACT Training
3.7 Delay in Medicaid Funds-Claims submitted for December 2025, February 2026, and April 2026.

4.0 Director's Report
4.1 Financial
4.2 Personnel
4.3 Programs

5.0 Items for Discussion and Acknowledgment
5.1 Press Policy Update 121, First Reading
5.2 Acknowledgment of Resignation, Certified Teacher, Margaret Meyer
5.3 Acknowledgment of Resignation, Non-certified staff, Isabel Montano and Hannah Weid, Paraprofessionals
5.4 Acknowledgment of Resignation, Certified Staff, Ashley Weant, Social Worker
5.5 Illinois Purchase Care Review Board (IPCRB) Approved 25-26 School Year Rate $188.22
5.6 2027 IMRF Employers Contribution Rate 4.57%
5.7 Chairman of the Board, FY 27
5.8 Additional SLP Position for 2026-2027 School Year

6.0 Closed Session
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7.0 Action Items
7.1 Approve Consent Agenda
Regular Board Meeting Minutes, April 22, 2026
Closed Session Minutes, April 22, 2026
Monthly Bills, May 1-31, 2026
7.2 Approval of Employment Extended School Year Staff
7.2.1 Certified Staff: Lydia Steckel, Neely Kinkel, Laura Bristow
7.2.2 Non-Certified Staff: Jayda Duke, Tiffany Hubbard, Bryanna Wells, Jamie Fosnock, Megan Carlson
7.3 Approval of Employment 2026-2027 School Year
7.3.1 Certified Teacher: Chelsea Tracey
7.3.2 Occupational Therapist: Jessica Lorts

8.0 Adjournment
Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, June 17, 2026, at 10:00 am