



Board of Commissioners Meeting

Zoom

Thursday, November 20, 2025

8:30-10:30 a.m.

Minutes

NOTE: *If any....*

Present: Kate Pew Wolters, Josh Sayles, Hannah Jaworski, Flora Ma, Claudia Jones, Emily Cantor, Kevin Clay, Randy Thelen, Trudy Ngo-Brown, Michelle Van Dyke, Taniah Ingram, Flora Ma, Kate Pinkham, Leah Atkins, Sean Welsh, Taniah Ingram, Randy Thelen

Absent: Lew Chamberlin, Guillermo Cisneros

Guests: Danielle LaPorte

Staff: Daniel VanderMolen, Megan Streng, Cati Cortes, Lindsay Bloemers, Kiana Garcia Zaderej, Stephanie McKendry, Jennifer Headley-Norm, Jasper Tinoco

Welcome: Introductions from members elect, elected members, and FSK staff
Kate Pew Wolters called the meeting to order at 8:32 a.m.

Consent agenda:

A motion to adopt and approve the consent agenda was made at 8:46 am.

Public Comment:

- None

Education:

- **Inclusive Literacy Alliance (ILA)**
 - Danielle LaPorte – Presentation on the work of the Inclusive Literacy Alliance in supporting literacy for children with learning differences, what it means for FSK as a convening partner, and determining capacity (areas of focus, spend).

Treasurer' Report:

- Josh shared an overview of the September financials: Grants, Ready by Five, EC&E, and FSK as a whole. Positive remarks on budget being on track, gave a summary of cash flow, and lastly, reviewed general funds for Ready by Five.
- Motion to approve the financials was made and approved.

Parent update:

- Parent update – Disappointment expressed over loss of Michigan's 32p funding.
- Questions about funding ongoing for Ready by Five funded organizations.
- Asking for clarification of board member roles – specifically for parents leaders

Systems Foundations:

- **Nominating Committee – Emily Cantor**
 - Commissioner recommendations & Introductions – Kate Pinkham and Trudy Ngo-Brown
 - Nomination recommendation motion adopted and approved at 8:47 am to appoint both Kate Pinkham and Trudy Ngo-Brown.

- **President’s Update –**
 - Update board on creation of fiscal map, what is included, and why it was created.
 - Update and information on strategic planning and expected timeframe for completion.

- **FSK Leadership**

- **Adjournment** - Kate Pew Wolters ended the meeting at 9:51 a.m.

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