



Mid-Valley Special Education Cooperative

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Executive Advisory Board Meeting September 2, 2026 9:00 AM

The Mid-Valley Special Education Cooperative Board met in Regular Session on Wednesday, September 2, 2026, at the Mid-Valley Special Education Cooperative, 1304 Ronzheimer Avenue, St. Charles, IL 60174.

Call to Order

Dr. Gordon, Superintendent D303, Board Chair called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

Roll Call

Upon roll call the following members were also present: Mr. Kim, Superintendent D101; Dr. Rohlwing, Superintendent D302; and Dr. Barrett, Superintendent D304. Absent was Dr. MacCrindle, Superintendent D301.

Also present: Special Education Administrative Liaisons/Designees from the member districts; Dr. Kelly Sculles, Mid-Valley Executive Director; Mr. Matthew McDonald, Mid-Valley Executive Director of Business and Human Resources; and Mrs. Brandi Pedersen, Mid-Valley Recording Secretary.

Public Comment

None

Executive Director's Report

- **School Year Launch & Culture:** Opening Day centered on "Everyday Leadership" for 200+ staff, emphasizing that leadership is driven by daily choices, peer support, and student commitment rather than titles.
- **Instruction & Student Support:** Classroom visits are underway (Kaneland, Burlington-Central; upcoming: Geneva, Batavia) to define quality support, alongside cross-district collaboration to solve complex, individual student needs.
- **Leadership & Operations:** The leadership team is refining hiring and staff development via *The Ideal Team Player* framework, while conducting an operational review of safety and medical protocols (threat assessment, cardiac arrest, medication management).
- **District Partnerships:** The first liaison meeting covered evaluations, Fund Code S finances, referrals, and Kane County mental health resources, while initiating support for Batavia and St. Charles ahead of FY28 cyclical monitoring.

Consent Agenda

- 4.1 Approval of Minutes, Executive Board Meeting, August 5, 2026
- 4.2 Approval of Bills, August 2026
- 4.3 Approval of Payroll, August 2026
- 4.4 Approval of Financial Report, August 2026
- 4.5 Approval of the Treasurer's Report, August 2026

Dr. Gordon called for Approval of the Consent Agenda. Dr. Rohlwing moved and Dr. Barrett seconded the motion. Approval of the Consent Agenda was confirmed by unanimous vote. 4-0.

For Information

- 5.1 **2026-27 Student Enrollment Update and Classroom Opening, August 2026**
Mr. McDonald reported 285 confirmed students and 3 pending.

5.2 2026-27 Staffing Update

Mr. McDonald provided the staffing numbers. 16 total open positions and we are currently using 26.6 contract staff.

5.3 ESY 26 Reconciliation Memo

Mr. McDonald shared that ESY served 352 students, an increase of 36 from 2025.

5.4 FY26 Financial Update

Mr. McDonald provided final enrollment and financial results for the 2025-26 school and operational year. Overall, enrollment and 1:1 support needs finished above invoiced projections, while Mid-Valley closed the year with a favorable financial result.

5.5 Posting of Compensation Reports and Contracts Over \$25,000

Mr. McDonald reported that all reports required under the Illinois School Code and applicable Public Acts have been posted on the Mid-Valley Special Education Cooperative website in accordance with applicable requirements.

For Action

6.1 Approval of the Personnel Report, August 2026

Mr. Kim motioned, seconded by Dr. Rohlwing, for Approval of the Personnel Report, August 2026. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote. 4-0

New Business

None

Adjournment

Motion made by Dr. Barrett and seconded by Dr. Rohlwing. By consensus, the motion carried 4-0 Ayes.

The meeting adjourned at 9:19 AM

Chair of the Mid-Valley Board

The next Regular Mid-Valley Executive Advisory Board Meeting will be on Wednesday, October 7, 2026, 9:00 AM at the Mid-Valley Administration Offices, 1304 Ronzheimer Avenue. St. Charles, IL 60174