

# ROSS COUNTY BOARD OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

## Meeting Minutes

March 12, 2026

**CALL TO ORDER:** Dan Riddle called the meeting to order at 6:01PM.

**ROLL CALL:** Board members in attendance were Amy Beam, Hunter Robinson, William Showman, Dan Riddle, Randi Uhrig, Baylee Butler, and Katie Guba.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Katie Guba made a motion to approve the meeting minutes for February 12, 2026; seconded by Baylee Butler. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

**APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES:** Expenditures for February 2026 were reviewed. Hunter Robinson made a motion to approve the reports; seconded by Randi Uhrig. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

### **OLD BUSINESS**

**A. Superintendent's Report** – Ms. Beeler recapped noteworthy activities since the last board meeting:

- attended various community events and professional webinars (Kiwanis, OACB Child and Transition Services, county board levies webinar, DD Month events, Advocacy Day at the State House)
- Gave recognition of staff handling a medical emergency effectively during the DD Awareness party at the Eagles.
- Ongoing partnerships with local schools and organizations, including Special Olympics support.
- Upcoming Project Life team training scheduled for the first week of June.

**B. Landrum Youth Empowerment Center Update** – Renovations are progressing on schedule with painting, installation of acoustic panels, and lighting. Expected this to be completed in five to six weeks.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Pioneer School Calendar** Adjustments were made due to unique timing of the Ross County Fair affecting start dates and pay periods. Staff were given options regarding work/pay for the week of August 17<sup>th</sup>; majority chose to start as scheduled. Calendar aligns with other districts. Amy Beam made a motion to approve; seconded by Hunter Robinson. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

**B. iCan Swim Camp 2026** - Trish Wallace and Amanda Collins proposed to host "I Can Swim" camp again, focusing on water safety for children with disabilities.

- This camp teaches safety skills and swimming, with one-on-one support for each participant.
- Registration opens April 1<sup>st</sup>
- Volunteers and staff partnerships with Shawnee State
- Anticipated Costs up to \$15,000 which covers instructors, facilities, hotels, lunches, staff, and t-shirts.

Baylee Butler made a motion to approve funding up to \$15,000; seconded by William Showman. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

**C. Annual Action Plan** – The three-year strategic plan and extraction of annual action items was reviewed.

- Emphasis on aligning with state initiatives, particularly technology integration and sustainability of services.
- Exploration of new positions: Employment Navigator to alleviate SSA workload and focus on employment support. Financial Specialist to assist SSAs with complex budgeting and service planning math, so they can increase time spent with clients.
- Plans to create a tech demonstration space in partnership with a remote support provider for independent living aids.

William Showman made a motion to approve the annual action plan; seconded by Hunter Robinson. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

**D. Annual Report** – Annual report was reviewed which included the following:

- Mission Statement, leadership message, the overview of programs; including new additions: parent advocacy, tolerance center, and Special Olympics.
- Service Statistics: 922 individuals served with a breakdown by age and wavier status.
- The report will be posted to the website and sent to the state.

Amy Beam made a motion to approve the Annual Report; seconded by Katie Guba. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

**E.** Policy Committee Recommendation – No meeting - No recommendations.

Adjournment – Katie Guba made a motion to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Randi Uhrig. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

**Next Meeting: The next meeting will be held April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2026 at the Administrative Building located at 167 West Main Stree.**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Dan Riddle', written over a horizontal line.

Dan Riddle, President