



Federal Lands Impacted Schools Association  
Education For Children, Fairness for Taxpayers

**FLISA Member Meeting Minutes**  
**Thursday, June 20<sup>th</sup>— 2PM-4PM Embarcadaro Room**  
**Friday, June 21<sup>st</sup> 9AM-4PM Embarcadaro Room**

**Meeting called to order by Frank Sheboy at 9:03 am**

**I. Welcome Comments and Review of the Mission/Vision of FLISA**

- A. Frank reviewed vision/mission statements
- B. Members in attendance introduced themselves - Appendix A
- C. Quorum was confirmed

**II. Introduction of FLISA Board and Past-Presidents**

- A. Frank reviewed board members and past presidents as noted on agenda
- B. Frank reviewed Section 3 By-Laws Excerpt: Included in agenda for reference.

**III. Introduction by Those in Attendance**

Members introduced themselves and new attendees were identified

**IV. FLISA Executive Director's Report – Tom Schneider**

- A. This is a member-led organization. We work together in advocacy.
- B. The success of this meeting is what you do between meetings to advocate for the goals of Impact Aid and FLISA

**V. Approval of minutes from FLISA Spring Meeting—**

Christine Walker reviewed minutes from last meeting as included in materials and posted on the FLISA website

**VI. Treasurer and Bookkeeper Report—Cathie Peznowski/Jerry Ellender**

- A. Cathie reviewed 23/24 budget highlights and end of year expenses as outlined on agenda
- B. Cathie reviewed FY25 Budget considerations and highlights as outlined on agenda
- C. Final Budget approved at Summer FLISA Meeting to be amended once final legal fees for establishment of the 503.c.6 determined
- D. FLISA registration fees increase reflected in summer meeting information
- E. FLISA membership dues: Discussion and recommendations for changes in dues structure to be presented by new committee at fall meeting

**VII. Non-Profit Status Update—Cathie Peznowski**

- A. Cathy updated group on status of new 503.c.6 application
- B. Account created and money moved to seed the account.
- C. Remainder of previous FLISA account to be moved once summer meeting expenses paid and budget will be amended once FY23/24 closed.

**VIII. Bookkeeper Status Update—Cathie Peznowski/Tom Schneider**

A. New address for bookkeeper, Cathie’s home address, to be highlighted on new membership letters which will be sent in July

**IX. NAFIS Board — Craig Hutcheson/Tom Schneider**

A. Tom will move off board, Christine will move on  
B. Craig will take over as NAFSIS board executive director

**X. Update on NAFIS Organization**

A. NAFIS organization has gone through a restructuring and now includes a legislative/policy director, a new manager of operations, and membership services manager.  
B. Discussion continues regarding NAFIS staff hybrid/in-office structure and whether NAFIS should keep an office on the hill.

**XI. NAFIS Conference**

A. Changing the reception from Tuesday night to Monday night of the conference.  
B. Conversation around how to better track hill visits and follow-up by NAFIS staff.  
C. Importance of attending reception to encourage relationships with other subgroup membership

**XII. FRO (Federal Relations Outreach) Update**

A. FLISA thanks volunteers for FRO: Schneider, Wes, Christine, Mark, Steph  
B. FRO visit is opportunity to build relationships with other sub group members

**XIII. Executive Director: Legislative Update**

A. Tom Schneider provided an update on financial realities of federal budgets as related to FY24, FY25 ask, and FY26 planning.  
B. Provided update on the current political conditions in DC  
C. Tom reviewed potential changes in congress as related to impact aid supporters, FY25 budget considerations, and to the upcoming election.

| Section          | FY21 Final   | FY22 Final   | FY23 Final   | FY24 Final   | FY25 NAFIS Request |
|------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------------|
| Federal Property | \$76.31 M    | \$77.31 M    | \$78.31 M    | \$78.31 M    | \$81 M             |
| Basic Support    | \$1,354.24 M | \$1,409.24 M | \$1,468.24 M | \$1,468.24 M | \$1,539.00 M       |
| Disabilities     | \$48.32 M    | \$48.32 M    | \$48.32 M    | \$48.32 M    | \$49.816 M         |
| Construction     | \$17.41 M    | \$17.41 M    | \$18.41 M    | \$18.41 M    | \$20.5 M           |
| Facilities       | \$4.84 M     | \$4.84 M     | \$4.84 M     | \$4.84 M     | \$4.84 M           |

|       |              |              |              |              |              |
|-------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Total | \$1,501.12 M | \$1,557.12 M | \$1,618.12 M | \$1,618.12 M | \$1,695.15 M |
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D. Talking points:

NAFIS support for a \$70 million increase for Impact Aid in FY 2025:

\$65 million increase for Basic Support

\$2 million increase for Federal Property

\$1.5 million increase for Construction

\$1.5 million increase for Children with Disabilities

**BREAK FOR LUNCH AT 12:05**

**XIV. Other NAFIS Legislation for 119<sup>th</sup> Congress**

Tom reviewed candidates who could be elected and who could be potential supporters of FIA.

**XV. Committee Updates and Committee Work**

A. Frank Sheboy--Advocacy Committee

a. Zoomed with Jason at NAFIS for ideas about how to build relationships with congressional staffers

B. Cathie Pezanoski--Membership Committee

a. Identified recipients who are not members of FLISA and contacted those districts to encourage membership

b. Prioritized districts in key congressional districts

C. Mark Cross--Messaging Committee

a. Adhoc committee will form to question foundation payment formula and how to best advocate for increases

b. Revised leave behind key points

**XVI. Nominations for FLISA Extra Mile Award**

Group discussed nominations for extra mile award

**XVII. Next Meetings Information**

A. NAFIS Fall 2024 Conference: Hyatt Regency Capitol Hill—Saturday, September 21<sup>st</sup> thru Wednesday, September 25<sup>th</sup>

B. FLISA Winter, 2025 Meeting, Hyatt Clearwater, Florida—February 1<sup>st</sup>  
Registration Form Attached

Committee Work Thursday, January 30<sup>th</sup> —2PM-4PM

Board Meeting Thursday, January 30<sup>th</sup> —4PM-6PM

Membership Meeting Friday, January 31<sup>st</sup>—9AM-4PM

C. NAFIS Spring, 2025 Conference: Hyatt Regency Capitol Hill—Saturday, March 8<sup>th</sup> thru Wednesday, March 12<sup>th</sup>

D. FLISA Summer, 2025 Meeting—Stephanie/Brook working on Michigan Hotels in Traverse City. Date: Thursday, June 26<sup>th</sup> thru Sunday, June 29<sup>th</sup>

E. FLISA Winter/Summer, 2026 Meetings - Hold Dates - Friday January 29-31, 2026; Hold Dates - June 24-28, 2026, place TBD

**XVIII. Action Items:**

**17-A. Approval of FLISA Spring Meeting Minutes**

Motion by: Wes Eversole

Second by: [Brooke Hazael-Massieux](#)

Motion approved by unanimous vote

**17-B. Approval FY 25 Budget to be amended once final legal fees are determined**

**(estimated \$3,500),**

Motion by: Mark Cross

Second by: Christine Walker

Motion approved by unanimous vote

**17-C. Nomination and Direction to Executive Director to Investigate Possible of Summer, 2025 Meeting Locations,**

No motion but discussion about dates and locations and directed Tom Schenider to investigate. If Michigan does not work for June of 2025, Tom will investigate Huntington Beach, CA, as an alternate location.

**17-D. Motion to accept Cathie Pezanoski's resignation as past-president**

Motion by: Christine Walker

Second by: Kevin Feeney

Motion approved by unanimous vote

**17-E. FLISA Adoption of the Bylaws for the Corporation.**

Motion by: Wes Eversole

Second by: Charlie Kile

Motion approved by unanimous vote

**XIX. Recognition and Thanks—Extra Mile Awards**

Recognition and thanks to outgoing FLISA Treasurer Becky Allan, (Mailed after the meeting).

**XX. Call for Presentations—Winter 2025 FLISA Meeting**

A. Do you have important best practices to share with the educator community? Are you an expert on a cutting-edge issue in youth development or education? Can you captivate a crowd? Well, it's time to bring your ideas to a national audience – become a presenter at the FLISA Winter Conference in Florida.

**Adojourn - at 3:28 pm**

Motion by: Mark Cross  
Second by: Tim Page  
Motion passed by unanimous vote

**APPENDIX A - Attendance 6/20-21/2024**

|                        |  |
|------------------------|--|
| Brooke Hazael-Massieux | Glen Lake Community School                         |
| Cathie Pezanoski       | Elwood CCSD #203                                   |
| Charlie Kyle           | Burr Ridge CCSD 180                                |
| Christine Walker       | Hueneme Elementary School District                 |
| Craig M. Hutcheson     | Kittatinny Reg. High School Dist.                  |
| Darlene Bruno          | Hueneme Elementary School District                 |
| Elvia Galicia          | Los Alamitos Unif. School Dist.                    |
| Frank Sheboy           | Highland Falls-Ft. Montgomery Central School Dist. |
| Jerry Ellender         | Mad River Local School District                    |
| Joe Cosner             | Sierra Sands Unified School District               |
| Kevin Feeney           | Wilmington Comm. Unit School Dist. #209-U          |
| Mark Cross             | Cass School Dist. #63                              |
| Mary Ticknor           | Lemont Twp. High School Dist. #210                 |
| Michael McElduff       | Highland Falls-Ft. Montgomery Central School Dist. |
| Sarah Wedge            | Custer School Dist. #16-1                          |
| Stephanie Long         | Leland Public Schools                              |
| Terry Tamblyn          | FLISA  |
| Thomas Schneider       | FLISA  |
| Tim Page               | Elwood CCSD #203                                   |
| Wes Eversole           | Lake Dallas Ind. School Dist.                      |