



# Federal Lands Impacted Schools Association

Education For Children, Fairness for Taxpayers

## FLISA Member Meeting Agenda

Hyatt Regency—Clearwater Beach, Florida

Friday, January 31<sup>st</sup>—9AM Until 4PM (Breakfast on your own)

Longboat Key Room\* on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor\*

Reception in the Belleair Room\*—5-7PM

\*Check Hotel Monitors as room assignment is subject to change.

**Please bring your laptop/device for Committee Work.**

**NAFIS Director of Policy and Advocacy, Jayson Schimmenti will be attending our meeting to provide a brief NAFIS overview and answer questions related to advocacy.**

### I. Welcome Comments and Review of the Mission/Vision of FLISA – Frank Sheboy

*Our Mission:* To ensure the reimbursement of funds lost due to the federal government's removal of land from local tax rolls, paid to eligible public school districts, with 100 percent of the revenue used for the education of students.

*Vision:* Advancing towards **100%** full-funding for the 7002 program.

#### Guiding Principles:

- Section 7002 Impact Aid Funds will be distributed in a fair and equitable manner,
- Membership in the FLISA Organization will be expanded,
- Safeguard the financial interests of all Section 7002 Impact Aid districts.

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

#### **Current FLISA Board (voting members) consists of:**

**Frank Sheboy** (President thru March 2026, Past-Pres thru March 2028),

**Christine Walker** (Vice-President thru March 2026),

**Jerry Ellender\*** (Treasurer thru March 2025),

*\*Retains Non-Voting Member-at-Large Status after this appointment \*\*Appointed to complete term*

**Stephanie Long\*\*** (Secretary thru March 2025),

*\*\*Appointed to complete term*

**Mark Naugle (Past President thru March, 2026)\***

*\* Tom Madden, was watchful enough to notice our by-laws state that if the Past President cannot serve for whatever reason, we go back to the previous Past President. In this case, Mark Naugle.*

*\*\*Appointed to complete term*

**Mary Ticknor** Advocacy Chairperson (Thru March, 2026)

**Bob Reichert\*\*\*** Membership Chairperson (Thru March, 2026)

**Mark Cross** Messaging Chairperson (Thru March, 2026)

**Non-Voting Members-at-Large**—Wes Eversole (Member-at-Large)  
**Non-Voting Members-Bookkeeper**—Cathie Peznowski (Past President)

**Past-Presidents—Non Voting:**

Terry Tamblyn	Tom Madden	Sandy Doebert	Tom Davenport
Tom Schneider	Bob Reichert***	Craig Hutcheson	Mark Naugle
Cathie Peznoski			

**Section 3 By-Laws Excerpt:**

- a. *Terms of Office: Executive Board members shall be elected at large for two-year terms with the exception of the member elected to the office of President who shall serve a four-year term, two years as President, followed by two years as Immediate Past President. [...] Executive Board members shall be elected at the spring meeting. The President, Vice-President and At Large Members shall be elected during even numbered years. The Secretary, and Treasurer shall be elected during odd numbered years. Newly elected Executive Board Members shall take office upon the conclusion of the final FLISA meeting of the spring NAFIS conference.*

**III. Introduction by Those in Attendance**

- A. Name, Title, Location and Impacted Land
- B. Recognition of New Attendees—Frank Sheboy

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

- A. Overview
- B. This is a member-led organization...we work together in advocacy.
- C. 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 Summer Meeting—Stephanie Long**

- A. Posted on the FLISA website

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

- A. FY 26 Budget Update
  - a. Budget Committee Set at this meeting (Cathie, Jerry and Frank)
- B. Non-Profit Status
- C. Budget projections from Jerry
- D. Reminders to update information on the website under update 7002 Data

**VII. NAFIS Board and NAFIS Update— Craig Hutcheson/Tom Schneider**

- A. Update on NAFIS Organization/Strategic Planning in San Antonio
- B. NAFIS Dues Possible Increase
- C. NAFIS Conference: Suggestions?
- D. Share Your District’s Newest Initiatives with NAFIS Staff for publication
- E. Importance of Department of Education Survey
- F. FISEF Donation (\$500) Approved at this Meeting
- G. Fly-In (Formerly: FRO--Federal Relations Outreach)
  - a. February 10-12th (February 12th Hill Visits--Stay Until 3PM)
  - b. Hotels on your own



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- c. Wes, Mary, Christine, Stephanie, Jerry (and Schneider)
- H. Note that some changes to the NAFIS Closing Reception have been discussed to begin in 2027. More details to follow as the date gets closer.

### VIII. Dues/Financial Outlook Committee Update—Frank Sheboy

- A. Frank Sheboy to present information to the and help formulate the proposal at our January meeting for general membership approval at the March, 2025 meeting in DC.
- B. Committee Meeting Minutes Attached
- C. Opportunity to gather feedback from membership for further discussion at Winter meeting.
- D. Discussion and proposal development for March meeting:
  - **Goal: One Year Operating expenses and not have to go back for another increase for sometime.**
    - \$60K on hand (if you include the previously made Meeting deposits)
    - Currently \$45K Expenses per year + Salary expenses (Not yet determined)
    - Currently \$24K in Revenues per year
    - **Discussion: Add dues paying tiers to lower end Impact Aid Receivers with understanding that they don't get a lot of money. Also set tiers at above \$1M or at \$750K.**
      - **What is the correct level of dues to provide enough reserve funds to continue FLISA for one year if lose funding?**
  - **What is the appropriate compensation for Executive Director and Bookkeeper to reflect additional days/work related to FLISA activities?**

### IX. Ad Hoc Committee on Distribution of Impact Aid Funds

- A. Jason Misner and Stephanie Long to reprise presentation to the membership an overview of the committee's work from the September NAFIS Conference.
- B. The goal of this committee is to gather information so that our membership is better informed on the distribution of 7002 funds and develop a communications tool for our members and Congress to communicate this process.
- C. Opportunity to gather feedback from membership for further discussion at Winter meeting.

X. Executive Director: Legislative Update

A. Winter Meeting will be the Start of our FY 26 Ask Process

XI. 119<sup>th</sup> Congress and FY 25—FY 26 NAFIS Appropriations Ask

See Attached NAFIS TALKING POINTS: 2025 NAFIS SPRING CONFERENCE:

Section	FY21 Final	FY22 Final	FY23 Final	FY24 Final	FY25 Senate Proposal
Federal Property	\$76.31 M	\$77.31 M	\$78.31 M	\$79 M	\$81 M
Basic Support	\$1,354.24 M	\$1,409.24 M	\$1,468.24 M	\$1,474 M	\$1,490.50 M
Disabilities	\$48.32 M	\$48.32 M	\$48.32 M	\$48.32 M	\$48.32 M
Construction	\$17.41 M	\$17.41 M	\$18.41 M	\$19 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	\$1,625.15 M	\$1,645.15 M

**Discussion from NAFIS Board Meeting:**

- For **FY 26 Basic Support (7003)** ask is:
  - \$65 million (4.4%) increase over FY 24 ask of approximately (as FY 25 not set) for Basic Support \$1.55B
    - This would put 7003 Districts at 96% LOT (or Higher)
    - LOT (Local Opportunity Threshold—Think of it as a local measure for adequate education funding for a school district in a state).
- For **FY 26 Federal Property (7002)** ask is:
  - \$3.5 million (4.4%) increase over FY 24 ask of approximately (as FY 25 not set but if we get our +\$2M ask to get to \$81M) for 7002 of \$84.5M
- This would keep the entire Impact Aid ask at 4.4% for the entire program.
- Wait to see President’s Budget in April before making Project 2025 a discussion item. We don’t want to be the ones to bring it up.
  - In some congressional offices talking about Project 2025 may be seen as inflammatory (either by Republicans or Democrats).
- May need to inform members of Congress of the good works of these federal properties.
- Continue to emphasize the impact of reduced funds has on our students/schools.

XII. Committee Reports and **Goals** for Winter/Spring Meeting:

A. After committee meetings:

- i. Report Out committee’s work and next steps between meetings
- ii. list items to include in next agenda as reminder

B. Mary Ticknor--**Advocacy** Committee

1. Look at representatives in \$80K districts that are not being contacted and develop plan to reach out.



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## B. Bob Reichert--**Membership** Committee

1. Look at \$80K districts that are not members and set plan to reach out.
2. Identify key districts in Impact Aid who have influential Representatives in Congress and reach out to them to join.

3. Review "Why Join" Brochure sent in Membership Letters in June

## C. Mark Cross--**Messaging** Committee

1. In-District visits for congressional staffers in-district
2. Review Leave-behind and messaging for 119<sup>th</sup> Congress/OMB
3. Student Photos with Reference to Federal Property for Website Reminder
4. **Review Ad Hoc Committee on Distribution of Impact Aid Funds Meeting Minutes**
5. What does inflation mean to the foundation level dollars from 2009? Is this a possible talking point for the messaging committee.

After committee meetings need to have a plan for the committee's next steps between meetings and then include in the Handout for the next meeting

## XIV. Nominations for FLISA Extra Mile Award

- Tom Madden Recognition Discussion

## XV. Look Ahead: What do we need for a successful:

- A. Interim communications
- B. Summer 2025 FLISA Meeting Information—Newport Beach, CA

## XVI. Next FLISA Meeting Dates/Locations

- a. **FLISA Winter, 2025 Meeting**, Hyatt Regency Clearwater, Florida—February 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday Afternoon)
  1. Committee Work Thursday, January 30<sup>th</sup> —2PM-4PM
  2. Board Meeting Thursday, January 30<sup>th</sup> —4PM-6PM
  3. Membership Meeting Friday, January 31<sup>st</sup>—9AM-4PM
- b. **NAFIS Spring, 2025 Conference**: Hyatt Regency Capitol Hill—Saturday, March 8<sup>th</sup> thru Wednesday, March 11<sup>th</sup>
- c. **FLISA Summer, 2025 Meeting**—Hyatt Regency, Newport Beach, CA—June 19-20<sup>th</sup>—*Registration Available January, 2025*
  1. Committee Work Thursday, June 19<sup>th</sup>—2PM-4PM
  2. Board Meeting Thursday, June 19<sup>th</sup> —4PM-6PM
  3. Membership Meeting Friday, June 20<sup>th</sup>—9AM-4PM

- d. **NAFIS Fall 2025 Conference:** Hyatt Regency Capitol Hill—Saturday, September 13<sup>st</sup> thru Wednesday, September 16<sup>th</sup>
- e. **FLISA Winter, 2026 Meeting,** Hyatt Regency Clearwater, Florida—January 29-30<sup>th</sup>—*Registration Form Available June, 2025*
  - 1. Committee Work Thursday, January 29<sup>th</sup> —2PM-4PM
  - 2. Board Meeting Thursday, January 29<sup>th</sup> —4PM-6PM
  - 3. Membership Meeting Friday, January 30<sup>th</sup>—9AM-4PM
- f. **NAFIS Spring 2026 Conference: Hyatt Regency Capitol Hill--TBD**
- g. **FLISA Summer, 2026 Meeting**—Park Place Hotel, Traverse City, MI—June 18-19<sup>th</sup>—Location TBD--*Registration Available January, 2026*
  - 1. Committee Work Thursday, June 18<sup>th</sup>—2PM-4PM
  - 2. Board Meeting Thursday, June 18<sup>th</sup> —4PM-6PM
  - 3. Membership Meeting Friday, June 19<sup>th</sup>—9AM-4PM
- h. **FLISA Winter, 2027 Meeting,** Hyatt Regency Clearwater, Florida—January 29-30<sup>th</sup>—*Registration Form Available June, 2026*
  - 1. Committee Work Thursday, February 4<sup>th</sup> —2PM-4PM
  - 2. Board Meeting Thursday, February 4<sup>th</sup> —4PM-6PM
  - 3. Membership Meeting Friday, February 5<sup>th</sup>—9AM-4PM

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## **XVII. Action Items:**

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

**17-B. Appoint Members to the Budget Committee to prepare and present budget at Summer, 2025 meeting**

**17-C. Approval of Donation to FISEF**

**17-D. Approval of Recognitions**

## **XVIII. Reception Reminder/Adjournment**

### **\*Call for Presentations—Winter 2026 FLISA Meeting**

**Enhancing the FLISA Meeting Agenda** –We are now looking for volunteers for Winter Meeting, in Newport Beach in 2025.

*April Moore and her team from Sierra Sands, CA have already volunteered for our FLISA Summer Meeting in 2025. Be sure to reserve your presentation date as soon as possible.*

*Step Long and her team from Leland, Michigan have already volunteered for our FLISA Summer Meeting in 2026. Be sure to reserve your presentation date as soon as possible.*

### **\*Call for Presentations—Winter FLISA Meeting 2026**

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.