

Jean Massieu Academy / Jean Massieu Foundation

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes – August 25, 2026

DATE: Tuesday, August 25, 2026

TIME: 10:00 AM Call to Order (Adjourned at 11:33 PM)

LOCATION: Jean Massieu Academy Board Room, 823 N. Center St., Arlington, TX 76011

I. ATTENDANCE & ROLL CALL

Board Members	Administration & Others
Jane Ann Shelton, President (Present)	Ashley Blakeslee, Superintendent (Present)
Christina Haslage, Vice President & Secretary / Acting President (Present)	Sign Language Interpreters (Present)
John Coffey, Member (Present)	
Rebeka Gillilan, Member (Present)	
<i>William "Bill" Green, Treasurer (In Memoriam / Deceased)</i>	

II. OPEN PUBLIC MEETING & PRELIMINARIES

- **A. Declaration of Quorum & Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM. A quorum of the Board of Directors was declared present. Board President Jane Ann Shelton transferred the powers of President temporarily to Vice President Christina Haslage, who presided as Acting President.
- **B. Memorial Observance:** Acting President Christina Haslage requested a solemn moment of silence in memory and honor of Treasurer William "Bill" Green before proceeding with the agenda.
- **C. Reading of the Mission Statement:** The official Jean Massieu Academy Mission Statement was read aloud by Board Member Rebeka Gillilan.

- **D. Public Comments:** The floor was opened for public comment (limited to 5 minutes per speaker). No members of the public requested to speak.

III. CONSENT AGENDA

- **a. Approval of Minutes:** Approval of the minutes from the June 26, 2026 regular board meeting was tabled until the next scheduled meeting.
- **b. Approval of JMF Financial Reports:** Financial reports for the Jean Massieu Foundation for June, July, and August 2026 were tabled until the next scheduled meeting.
- **c. Approval of JMA Financial Reports:** Financial reports for Jean Massieu Academy for April, May, June, July, and August 2026 were tabled until the next scheduled meeting. *(Note: The April and May 2026 reports, previously tabled at the June 26, 2026 meeting, carried over and remain tabled alongside the June, July, and August 2026 reports).*

IV. REPORTS

E. Jean Massieu Foundation (JMF) Reports

- **Officers' Reports:**
 - **President (Jane Ann Shelton):**
 - Proposed establishing a scholarship fund in memory of Bill Green for students pursuing sign language interpreting degrees at Collin College.
 - Inquired regarding Clifton Bryant and City Hall concerning special event parking arrangements, noting that the current permit expires in September.
 - Requested Foundation reimbursement to Rebeka Gillilan for the floral arrangements purchased for Bill Green's memorial service.
 - Announced that in honor of Bill Green, JMF will reimburse classroom supply stipends for the 15 classroom teachers at JMA.
 - **Vice President & Secretary (Christina Haslage):**
 - Expressed deep sorrow over the loss of Bill Green; the Board collectively shared reflections honoring his dedicated service, leadership, and legacy.
 - Formally extended gratitude and a warm welcome to Ashley Blakeslee as she begins her tenure as Superintendent of JMA.
 - **Treasurer:** Vacant; temporary appointment addressed under Action Item J.

F. Jean Massieu Academy (JMA) Reports

- **a. Building and Maintenance Report:** Overview of ongoing campus facility operations, safety inspections, and site upkeep.
- **b. Superintendent Report (Ashley Blakeslee):**
 - **i. Accountability Update for 2025/2026 School Year:** Summary of student performance metrics and TEA accountability ratings.
 - **ii. Status of 224 Grant (Special Ed) Audit:** Status update on federal and state special education documentation and audit compliance.
 - **iii. Dissolution of Transportation Department:** Review of student transit

- arrangements following the formal discontinuation of academy busing services.
- **iv. Update on TEA Payments on Hold:** Administrative update regarding state funding disbursements and reporting clearances.
- **v. Parental Rights Training on TEA Learn:** Briefing on state compliance and staff completion of TEA Learn parental rights training modules.
- **vi. City Sidewalk Project Request:** Review of the municipal request to utilize 1 foot of school property frontage for a public sidewalk improvement project.
- **Tax Status Note:** Confirmed that the outstanding 2011 JMF tax matter has been fully resolved.

V. ACTION ITEMS

Item Description	Motion By	Seconded By	Vote Result
a. Approval of AI Policy	John Coffey	Rebeka Gillilan	Motion Carried
b. Approval of Updated Board Goals	Rebeka Gillilan	Jane Ann Shelton	Motion Carried
c. Approval of Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Policy	Jane Ann Shelton	Rebeka Gillilan	Motion Carried
d. Approval of Updated Student Handbook	Jane Ann Shelton	Rebeka Gillilan	Motion Carried
e. Approval of ESC Region 11 Contracts (Quoted at approximately \$76,000)	Jane Ann Shelton	Rebeka Gillilan	Motion Carried
f. Approve Final JMA Budget Amendments for the 2025–2026 Fiscal Year	John Coffey	Rebeka Gillilan	Motion Carried
g. Approve JMA Proposed Operating	Rebeka	Jane Ann	Motion Carried

Budget for the 2026–2027 Fiscal Year	Gillilan	Shelton	
h. Approve Proposed Child Nutrition Budget for the 2026–2027 Fiscal Year	Rebeka Gillilan	John Coffey & Jane Ann Shelton (<i>Simultaneous</i>)	Motion Carried
i. Approval of Changes to Bank Accounts: Add Ashley Blakeslee; remove Monica Fox and William Green across Jean Massieu Foundation (Bank of America) and Jean Massieu Academy (Frost) accounts.	Rebeka Gillilan (<i>Amendment</i>)	Jane Ann Shelton (<i>Amendment</i>)	Motion Carried
j. Appointment of Temporary Treasurer: Appointment of Jane Ann Shelton to serve as temporary Treasurer until a permanent replacement is selected.	Christina Haslage	Rebeka Gillilan	Motion Carried

VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION, ANNOUNCEMENTS & ADJOURNMENT

- **H. Executive Session:** No executive session was convened.
- **I. Announcements:** General announcements shared among trustees and administration.
- **J. Adjournment:** With no further business before the Board, Acting President Christina Haslage adjourned the meeting at 11:33 PM.

Minutes Submitted By:

Christina Haslage, Board Secretary & Acting President
Jean Massieu Foundation / Jean Massieu Academy