

**JASPER, MARION, AND POWESHIEK (JMP) COUNTIES EARLY CHILDHOOD IOWA
BOARD MEETING AGENDA**

Zoom Link: [Join Here](#) Passcode: 294225

Foundation Offices at Ahrens Park, 1510 Penrose St, Grinnell, IA 50112

5:30 pm - Wednesday, February 25, 2026

JMP’s Mission: Collaborative efforts among Jasper, Marion and Poweshiek counties will provide families with young children the opportunities, resources and supports necessary to fulfill our vision.

County	NameUP-	Present		Absent	Excused	Unexcused	Non-Board
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J	Mitzi Smith (faith)						
J	Britney Schnathorst (citizen)						
J	Julie Wendl (health)						
M	Denise Bontrager (education)						
M	Michael Kacmarynski- (CONSUMER)- Board Vice Chair						
M	Vacant- (citizen)						
P	Doug Cameron (citizen)-						
P	Mary Lindberg (business)- Board Treasurer						
P	Patricia Hinrichs-(human services)- Board Chair						
	Amy Blanchard (Director)						

- I. Call to Order and Roll Call
- II. Public Comment (**Discussion Item**)
- III. Approve minutes from January 28, 2026, JMP board meeting (**Action Item**)
- IV. Executive and Committee Reports (**Discussion Items**)
 - a. Treasurer’s Report
 - b. Preschool Scholarship Report
 - c. Director’s Report
- V. Old Business
 - a. HHS Early Childhood and Family Services Plan (**Discussion Item**)
 - i. Amended bill summary
 - ii. Advocacy
 - b. FY27 RFP
- VI. New Business
 - a. Preschool Quality Improvement Grants (**Action Item**)
 - b. Literacy Grants (**Action Item**)
 - c. Child Safety in Jasper County Event grant (**Action Item**)
 - d. Contract Monitoring Schedule
- VII. Other:
- VIII. Adjourn –next meeting scheduled for April 29, 2026 at 5:30 pm via Zoom. (March date as needed)

Meetings of the JMP ECI Board are open to the public and adhere to Open Meetings/Records laws. Meetings are held at locations and times reasonably accessible to the public. When necessary, reasonable special accommodations for attendance are provided.

Submit any questions to:

Amy Blanchard, JMP ECI Director, at 641-236-1561.