

**JEFFERSON COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CONSORTIUM (JCEDC)
& THRIVE ED BOARD AGENDA**

Tuesday, July 21, 2026

1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

**UW Extension/Workforce Development, 864 Collins Road, Rooms 8&9,
Jefferson, WI 53549**

AMENDED

and via Zoom

<https://zoom.us/j/93169761450?pwd=Z95sjrdGtqwTHbpbsygNgeGpW5t2v6.1>

Meeting ID: 931 6976 1450

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Board Members – Jefferson County Economic Development Consortium (JCEDC)

Kris Breunig– Village of Cambridge, Rebecca Houseman - City of Fort Atkinson, Timothy Freitag – City of Jefferson, Kyle Ellefson - Village of Johnson Creek, Drake Daily – City of Lake Mills, Kathy Weiss – Village of Palmyra, Jeanne Ritter – City of Waterloo, Deb Sybell – City of Watertown, Mason Becker – City of Whitewater, County Supervisor Bruce Degner, County Supervisor Mark Groose, County Supervisor Kathi Cauley

Board Members – ThriveED

Robert Cassiday, Jason Culotta, Tom Dehnert, Rebecca Houseman, Kellie Karpinski, Kevin Kaufman, Scott Lausten, Ryan Lessner, Michael Luckey, Casey Malesevich, Shawna Marquardt, Kyle Neitzel, Andy Nelson, James Nelson, Joshua Patterson, Kevin Paynter, Nate Salas, Ken Smith, Elizabeth Thelen, Stewart Wangard, Ben Wehmeier, David Werning

- I. Call To Order
- II. Roll (Establish a quorum)
- III. Certificate of Compliance with Open Meeting Laws
- IV. Approval of Agenda – July 21, 2026
- V. Public Comment – Members of the public who wish to address the board on specific agenda items must register their request at this time.
- VI. Introduction: New JCEDC Board Members
 - a. Kathi Cauley – Jefferson County
 - b. Kathy Weiss – Village of Palmyra
 - c. Kris Breunig – Village of Cambridge
- VII. ThriveED Consent Agenda:
 - a. JCEDC/ThriveED Minutes – February 23, 2026
 - b. ThriveED Finance Reports
 - c. ThriveED Financial Policies
 - d. Report: Live Local Development Fund (LLDF)
 - e. President's Report
- VIII. JCEDC Consent Agenda:
 - a. JCEDC/ThriveED Minutes – February 23, 2026
 - b. Report: Jefferson County RLF
 - c. President's Report
- IX. JCEDC/ThriveED
 - a. Presentation: Opportunity Pipeline
 - b. Discussion: Regional Prosperity Hub
- X. Community Discussion
 - a. JCEDC board members are encouraged to share a brief update about their community, initiatives and/or challenges

- XI. Thrive Board Discussion
 - a. Thrive board members are encouraged to share a brief update about their company, initiatives and/or challenges
- XII. General Updates
 - a. Upcoming Events
 - i. July 23, 2026 8:30 – 10am – Education Session: State of Jefferson County
 - ii. July 30, 2026 – AHFE Conference
 - iii. August 5, 2026, 9 – 4pm – UW-Madison Food Science Tour
 - iv. August 27, 2026 8:30-10am – JCEDC/ThriveED Board Meeting
 - v. October 22, 2026, 2-6:30pm – Madwaukee 2050

XIII. Adjournment.

Our Vision Statement is: JCEDC / ThriveED will lead change necessary to support economic growth in Greater Jefferson County that results in healthy, thriving, and growing communities.

Our Mission Statement is: JCEDC / ThriveED will engage the public and private sectors in actions focused on attracting and supporting business growth that benefits the residents and communities in the Greater Jefferson County area.