LAKE COUNTY TECH CAMPUS
Lake County Area Vocational System
Board of Control Meeting
September 10, 2026
Tech Campus Boardroom
Grayslake, Illinois

The Board of Control of the Lake County Area Vocational System met in Regular Session on Thursday, September 10, 2026 at the Tech Campus in the Boardroom, Grayslake, Illinois.

Call to Order:
Agenda Item 1.1

Dr. Rodriguez, Board President, called the meeting to order at 10:04 am and the following roll call was taken:

Members Present:

Dr. Jesse Rodriguez, District 126
Dr. Donn Mendoza, District 116
Dr. Danny Woestman, District 121
Dr. Kelley Gallt, District 95*
Dr. Todd Leden, District 118
Dr. Chala Holland, District 113 *arrived 10:14 am*
Mrs. Tiffany Elswick, District 19
Dr. Marc Schaffer, District 128
Dr. Jeremy Schmidt, District 124
Dr. Theresa Plascencia, District 60*
Dr. Corey Tafoya, District 120
Dr. Sebastian Kapala, Executive Director and Board Secretary

*** Alternates Present:**

Dr. Eduardo Cesario, District 60
Dr. Mary Zarr, District 95

Members Absent:

Dr. Constance Collins, District 187
Dr. Wendy Custable, District 125
Dr. Tom Lind, District 157
Dr. Mikkel Storaasli, District 127
Dr. Michael Karner, Regional Supt.
Dr. Matthew Montgomery, District 115
Dr. Jeff Feucht, District 117
Dr. Jason Nault, District 12

Also Present:

Mr. Derrick Burress, Principal
Ms. Joanne Hughes, Business Manager/CSBO
Mr. Ken Ellefson, Information Technology
Ms. Laura Emmerling, Assistant Principal of Student Services
Ms. Danielle Friedlieb, Assistant Principal
Ms. Francesca Hanson, Executive Assistant
Mr. Stu Mendelsohn, Union President
Dr. Ken Wallace, SCS
Dr. John Burkey, SCS

Comments from Citizens:
Agenda Item 1.2

Dr. Rodriguez asked if there were any comments from citizens, there were none.

Executive Director's Report
Agenda Item 2

Principal's Report
Agenda Item 2.1

Principal Derrick Burress presented an update on Tech Campus Academics and Operations. Multiple events are scheduled featuring student participation and community partnerships.

CONSENT AGENDA:
Agenda Item 3

A motion was made by Dr. Mendoza and seconded by Dr. Schaffer to approve the Consent Agenda as presented:

1. August 20, 2026 Regular Session Meeting Minutes
2. August 20, 2026 Closed Session Meeting Minutes
3. Personnel
4. Administrator and Teacher Salary Benefits Report
5. Request to Accept Donation(s)
6. Tech Campus Bills for Payment & Liabilities, and Financial Statements
7. System Bills for Payment/Financial Statements
8. LCAVS FY27 Regional System Plan
9. FOIA Request
10. LCTC Administrator Job Descriptions
11. LCTC BOC Committees
12. Communication & Governance Protocols
13. LCTC Communication Protocol
14. LCTC Emergency/Regular Operational Notification

Roll call vote.

Aye: All
Nay: None

The motion carried.

Committee Reports
Agenda Item 4

Finance Committee
Agenda Item 4.1

The Finance committee met before the Board meeting. The Finance committee reviewed fund transfers and possible changes to the meeting schedule while addressing a significant student enrollment decline of 680 students, which requires coordinated personnel and retention strategies.

Personnel Committee
Agenda Item 4.2

The Personnel committee met before the Board meeting on September 1. The Personnel committee will review administrative contracts for November Board approval and review administrative and teaching job descriptions to align with strategic planning.

Recommendations
Agenda Item 5

Fund Transfer
Agenda Item 5.1

A motion was made by Dr. Mendoza and seconded by Dr. Woestman to accept the Fund Transfer as presented.

Roll call vote

Aye: All
Nay: None

The motion carried.

LCTC Salary Ranges
Agenda Item 5.2

A motion was made by Dr. Woestman and seconded by Dr. Tafoya to accept the LCTC Salary Ranges as presented.

Roll call vote

Aye: All
Nay: None

The motion carried.

Strategic Plan Action Plans
Agenda Item 5.3

A motion was made by Dr. Mendoza and seconded by Dr. Woestman to accept the Strategic Plan Action Plans as presented.

Roll call vote

Aye: All
Nay: None

The motion carried.

CTEI Allocation Formula
Agenda Item 5.4

A motion was made by Dr. Woestman and seconded by Dr. Leden to accept the CTEI Allocation Formula as presented.

Roll call vote

Aye: All
Nay: None

The motion carried.

Aim & Arrow Proposal
Agenda Item 5.5

A motion was made by Dr. Schaeffer and seconded by Dr. Woestman to accept the Aim and Arrow proposal as presented.

Roll call vote

Aye: All
Nay: None

The motion carried.

Student Centered Services Proposal
Agenda Item 5.6

A motion was made by Dr. Holland and seconded by Dr. Cesario to accept the Student Centered Services Proposal as presented.

Roll call vote

Aye: D.19, D.113, D.124, D.95, D.128, D.120, D.118, D.60, D.126
Nay: None

The motion carried.

Adjournment
Agenda Item 8

A motion was made by Dr. Woestman and seconded by Dr. Mendoza to adjourn the meeting at 11:04 am.

Voice vote.

Aye: All
Nay: None

The motion carried.

The minutes approved on October 8, 2026.

President

Secretary