

WILCO AREA CAREER CENTER
MINUTES
of the
Regular Meeting of the Wilco Board of Control
March 19, 2026

CALL TO ORDER

The Wilco Board of Control met for a regular meeting on March 19, 2026, at Wilco Area Career Center. Board Vice President, Peggy Kunz Dore was present and called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. and requested the roll to be called.

ROLL CALL

ROE	Dr. Lisa Caparelli	absent	209U	Mrs. Peggy Kunz	present
	Dr. John Sparlin	present		Mr. Matt Swick	present
255U	Ms. Danielle Valiente	present	202	Dr. Glenn Wood	absent
	Mr. Jesse Morris	present		Mr. Rod Westfall	absent
	Mr. Mark Mitchell	absent			
365U	Ms. Tammi Conn	absent	210	Ms. Tina Malak	present
	Ms. Vickie Sutterlin	absent		Mr. Gary Gray	absent
	Dr. Theresa Polson	absent			
	Ms. Victoria Pipkin	Present			

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

AGENDA REVISIONS

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS/COMMENTS/COMMUNICATION

CLOSED SESSION

Board Vice President, Peggy Kunz Dore asked for a motion to adjourn to closed session for the reasons of: The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees- 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)

It was moved by ROE and seconded by 210 to start closed session at 6:03 p.m.
Roll call vote: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain. Motion carried

It was moved by ROE and seconded by 255 to end closed session at 6:08 p.m.
Roll call vote: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain. Motion carried

CONSENT AGENDA

It was moved by ROE and seconded by 210 to approve the Consent Agenda #0326-2850 as presented:

CA1 – Minutes from previous meetings, February, 2026

CA2 – Expenditures Presented for Payment for March, 2026

CA3 – Permission for Ken Hayes to attend EV Training at Weber State University June 8-12: Phase III Hybrid and Electric Vehicle Boot Camp (CEPR 1820)

CA4 – Permission for Elizabeth Kaufman and Alicia Cook to attend the Region III Conference, June 15-17 in Menomonie, WI.

CA5 – Surplus

Roll call vote: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain. Motion carried.

ASST. DIR./PRINCIPAL REPORT for March 19, 2026 - Regular Meeting

Alicia Cook, Asst. Dir./Principal

Grade Distribution as of March 11th

As of March 11th, we have completed an updated analysis of the current grade distribution for our student population. Below is a detailed breakdown of student performance:

Grade	Number of Students	Percentage of Student Population
A	587	41.84%
B	488	34.78%
C	237	16.89%
D	56	3.99%
F	35	2.49%

Analysis and Observations:

- A significant portion of students (41.84%) are currently earning an A, reflecting strong academic performance.
- An additional 34.78% of students are performing at a B level, indicating that the majority of students remain in the A–B range.
- Students receiving C's, D's, and F's make up a smaller percentage of the population, with 16.89% earning a C and fewer than 7% earning a D or F combined.
- All students earning a D or lower continue to receive intervention forms to ensure they have access to the necessary support and resources to improve their academic standing.
- Progress report grades have been shared with all sending schools to maintain transparent and timely communication regarding student performance.

Professional Development

- Is it Human or AI - AI in the Classroom
- Questioning Strategies

Student Professional Experiences/Competitions

- Skilled Trades Interview Fair
- AIM Students to Desden
- BHS Career Fair
- Telecommunications & Asst. States Attorney (PLE) - Law Enforcement
- Big Brother Big Sisters: Student Interviews
- JJC Ag Dept (PLE) - Vet Assist

School & Community

- FAA Spirit Week
- Accelerated CNA Hospice & Project Cure Volunteer
- Accelerated CNA Pinning

Leadership

- Fellowship Meeting
- Success Network Conference
- IACTE Conference - Wilco Dominated Presentations

RESOLUTIONS:

It was moved by ROE and seconded by 255 to approve of the resolution as presented:

R#0326-1086 – Reduction in Force of Certificated Part-time Teacher
Bryan Gallup and Bryan Vainowski

Roll call vote: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain. Motion carried.

It was moved by 210 and seconded by 255 to approve of the resolution as presented:

R#0326-1087 – Non-Retention of Educational Support Staff
Dennis Moscatelli, Penny Barry, Rachel Patek, Pedro Escareno, Carol Schroeder, Iuliia Nimmer, Anthony Maccani and Tonya Przybylski

Roll call vote: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain. Motion carried.

ACTION ITEMS:

AR#0326-3066 – It was moved by 365 and seconded by 225 to approve for SkillsUSA to attend the State Leadership and Skills Conference: Career Competition in Peoria, IL on April 23-25, 2026.

Roll call vote: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain. Motion carried.

AR#0326-3067 – It was moved by 255 and seconded by 210 to approve for FCCLA students to attend the Illinois Leadership Conference, April 8-10 in Springfield, IL.

Roll call vote: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain. Motion carried.

AR#0326-3068 – It was moved by 210 and seconded by ROE to approve to go back out to bid for the electrical project on April 7th

Roll call vote: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain. Motion carried.

ASST. PRINCIPAL REPORT for March 19, 2026 - Regular Meeting

Jeannine Marco, Asst Principal

Attendance

- 60- Attendance Contracts for greater than 10 days absent

Discipline

- Contracts- 1 Behavioral
- Referrals- 13
- Harassment/Bullying Complaints- 2 (Resolved)

Dual Credit

- Completed drops for students not meeting grade/attendance expectations

Student Organizations

- HOSA: Versiti Blood Drive on 2/27- Units collected-45 impacting 135 lives. Total units 163 for 25-26 and will receive \$1250.00
 - Lightways Hospice-Blanket project
 - Project Cure- continue to partner accruing volunteer service hours
 - FFA- Pet Food Pantry
- FCCLA:Candle Sales-40% Profits; Dominos Pizza cards 128 cards sold with earned profit of

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT for March 19, 2026 - Regular Meeting

Elizabeth Kaufman, Executive Director

Curriculum

- Began preparation of College and Career Ready Indicators for Districts
- Transitioned CPR to newest curriculum
- CERT Instructor training provided for 5 instructors
- Auto Instructor completed second level of EV training
- EMS has transferred to Morris Hospital from St. Mary's

Leadership

- Held the Spring Sectioning Meeting with Assistant Principals and Counselors from each school
- Co-hosted the Manufacturing Advisory Board for the Region
- Continued work on the PDR process in IWAS

Finance

- Worked with Jose on the tentative budget amendment
- Amended grants to spend out allocations
- Worked with architect on Electrical bids
- Began the allocation of space to address room needs for the 26-27 school year

Public Relations

- Hosted 32 Vendors for the Tech and Trades Career Day at the Center
- Staff attended AVM Stem night
- Accelerated CNA students held pinning ceremony
- Held St Patrick's Day Buffet

INFORMATION ITEMS

- Enrollment Requests for the 2026-27 School Year
- Tentative Budget Amendment (*in folder*)
- Students of the Quarter (*in folder*)
- Vet FFA Newsletter

NEW BUSINESS

OLD BUSINESS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Rod Westfall announced the next regular board of Control meeting will be **Tuesday**, April 21st 2026 at Wilco Area Career Center at 6pm.

ADJOURNMENT

Vice President Peggy Kunz Dore asked for a motion to adjourn the board meeting. It was moved by **209** and seconded by **ROE** to adjourn the board meeting at 6:38 pm.

Roll call vote: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain. Meeting adjourned.

APPROVED



President, Wilco Area Career Center Board of Control

DATE



Secretary, Wilco Area Career Center Board of Control

DATE