

WILCO AREA CAREER CENTER
MINUTES
of the
Regular Meeting of the Wilco Board of Control
August 18, 2026

CALL TO ORDER

The Wilco Board of Control met for a regular meeting on August 18, 2026, at Wilco Area Career Center. Board Vice President, Peggy Kunz-Dore was present and called the meeting to order at 6:14 p.m. and requested the roll to be called.

ROLL CALL

ROE	Dr. Lisa Caparelli	absent	209U	Mrs. Peggy Kunz Dore	present
	Dr. Shawn Olson	present		Mr. Adam Spicer	present
255U	Ms. Danielle Valiente	present	202	Dr. Glenn Wood	present
	Mr. Jesse Morris	present		Mr. Rod Westfall	absent
	Mr. Brad Elliott	absent			
365U	Ms. Tammi Conn	absent	210	Ms. Tina Malak	present
	Ms. Vickie Sutterlin	present		Mr. Gary Gray	present
	Dr. LeViis Haney	present			

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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 365 and seconded by 255 to start closed session at 6:15 p.m.
Roll call vote: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain. Motion carried

It was moved by 255 and seconded by ROE to end closed session at 6:23 p.m.
Roll call vote: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain. Motion carried

AGENDA REVISIONS

- **Consent Agenda #0626-2854** was revised to include personnel adjustment.

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS/COMMENTS/COMMUNICATION

CONSENT AGENDA

It was moved by 210 and seconded by 365 to approve the Consent Agenda **#0826-2854** as presented:

- CA1 – Minutes from previous meetings, June 9, 2026
- CA2 – Expenditures Presented for Ratification of Payment for June, 2026
- CA3 – Expenditures Presented for Ratification of Payment for July, 2026
- CA4 – Expenditures Presented for Payment for August, 2026
- CA5 – Personnel: Hiring, Resignation, and Adjustments
- CA6 - Surplus

Roll call vote: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain. Motion carried.

ACTION ITEMS:

AR#0826-3090 – It was moved by 365 and seconded by 202 to approve of Hairbraiding MOU with Fusion Beauty Academy

Roll call vote: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain. Motion carried.

AR#0826-3091 – It was moved by 210 and seconded by ROE to approve of the of FY27 Budget

Roll call vote: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain. Motion carried.

AR#0826-3092 – It was moved by 365 and seconded by 255 to approve to pay Auto Service Dual Credit fees for the 26-27 school year to support metrics in the EV-Clean Energy Grant. Estimated cost of \$7380

Roll call vote: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain. Motion carried.

AR#0826-3093 – It was moved by 202 and seconded by 210 to approve of utilizing Job Ordering Contracting for the Concrete Work

Roll call vote: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain. Motion carried.

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL'S REPORT for August 18, 2026 - Regular Meeting

Jeannine Marco, Assistant Principal

- Safety
 - Instituted No Cell phone policy in all classrooms- purchased additional cell phone lockers for classrooms
 - Updated bathroom signage to reflect no vaping and steps to follow if a student suspects vaping
- Service to Community
 - Scheduled 4 blood drives w/Versiti -first September 16 (to earn the 500.00 scholarship)
- JJC Registration
 - New Dual Enrollment Deadlines- Application Aug 26th; Fall Course Registration Sept 4th
 - Wilco Onsite Accuplacer Placement Testing Registration- Fire Science, EMS and Law-8/25 and 8/26 during students session or students may go to JJC Joliet/Romeoville Campuses for evening/weekends/retakes
 - Updated communication to home schools regarding JJC policy to only accept official ACT/SAT score reports directed to them via ACT/SAT accounts

PRINCIPAL/ ASSISTANT DIRECTOR'S REPORT for August 18, 2026 - Regular Meeting

Alicia Cook, Principal/Assistant Director

Student Professional Learning/Career Exploration Experience – Internships

- Advanced Integrated Maintenance (AIM)
 - 1 at Donson Machine
- Will County Career for Economic Development (CED)
 - 3 Students

Professional Development

- Back to School Retreat
- Monthly Fellowship Meeting

New School Year Preparation

- Aligned student exit survey data with literature roundtable planning
- Used teacher evaluations to guide professional development priorities
- Streamlined teacher processes and workflows

Staff Support – Professional Development Kickoff

- Two – day training for new/nearly new teachers
 - CNA skills overview
 - Teacher mentoring program
 - Support staff breakout session
- First-day PD for all staff
 - Next Level Classroom Introduction
 - Intentional use of Technology in the classroom
 - Key operational and instructional updates

School and Community

- Successful Summer CNA Program
- CNA Parent meetings
- CNA CPR training

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT for August 18, 2026 - Regular Meeting

Elizabeth Kaufman, Executive Director

Curriculum

- Dual Credit training and onboarding
- EV Implementation
- Evaluation of Community Health Worker
- Ongoing work with Lewis and JWS for Aviation Pilot Pathway

Leadership

- Participation in the IACTE Back to School Retreat
- Ongoing conversations with ISBE on funding
- Onboarding of New Staff
- Participation in TREES Strategic Planning
- Meeting with new Plainfield Curriculum Director and Assistant Superintendent

Finance and Facilities

- Continued Progress on Electrical Work
- Completion of HVAC work in Early Childhood
- Renovation of space for Computer Tech Classroom
- Preparation of the FY 27 Budget

Public Relations

- Celebration of Existing Wilco team
- Creation of Materials for Wilco's 50th Anniversary
- Representation at Feeder School Curriculum events

INFORMATION ITEMS

- Illinois Board of Higher Education Renewal Letter
- Perkins Allocation
- CTEI Allocation
- Welding AWS Article
- 50 Anniversary Flier

OLD BUSINESS

- Design work and bidding on the Bathroom Project

OLD BUSINESS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Vice President Peggy Kunz-Dore announced the next regular board of Control meeting will be **Tuesday**, September 15th 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 **365** and seconded by **ROE** to adjourn the board meeting at 6:57 pm.

Roll call vote: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain. Meeting adjourned.

APPROVED



Vice- President, Wilco Area Career Center Board of Control

9-15-26
DATE



Secretary, Wilco Area Career Center Board of Control

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