



**ILLINOIS BOARD OF HIGHER EDUCATION
BOARD MEETING AGENDA
June 25, 2025 • 1:00 p.m.**

MEETING WILL CONVENE AT 1 P.M. IN PERSON

- **ABRAHAM LINCOLN PRESIDENTIAL LIBRARY, MULTIPURPOSE ROOM, 112 N. 6th STREET, SPRINGFIELD, IL 62701**

AND ONLINE VIA ZOOM.

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A. Call to Order/Roll Call

- Call Meeting to Order and Remarks, Pranav Kothari, Chair
- Action to Permit Board Member Virtual Attendance
- Executive Director Report, Ginger Ostro, Executive Director

B. Legislative Update

- Jenna Rossi, Director of Intergovernmental Relations, IBHE

C. Workforce Data Presentation

Top Ten Occupations – Supply and Demand

- Jennifer Barnett, Associate Director of Workforce Analytics, Information Management & Research, IBHE

D. Advisory Committee

Faculty Advisory Committee

- Shawn Schumacher, Ph.D., DeVry University, FAC Chair
- Dan Hrozencik, Ph.D., Chicago State University, FAC Vice Chair

E. Public Comment

- Request from Members of the Public to Address the Board

F. Action Items

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1. Consideration and Approval of Fiscal Year 2026 Grants and Programs (Bill McCarty)
2. Consideration and Approval of New Units of Instruction at Public Service, and Research at Public Universities (Dr. Nkechi Onwuameze)
3. Consideration and Approval of New Operating and/or Degree-Granting Authority for Independent Institutions (Dr. Nkechi Onwuameze)
4. Consideration and Approval of New Units of Instruction, Public Community Colleges (Dr. Nkechi Onwuameze)

G. Consent Agenda Action Items

1. Consideration and Approval of Board Meeting Minutes – March 12, 2025
2. Contract approval-Dave Kelm

H. Executive Session

1. Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Matters Pursuant to Sections 2(c)(1) and 2(c)(21) of the Open Meetings Act

I. Action Item

1. Consideration and Approval of Removing Confidentiality of Executive Session Minutes and Destruction of Verbatim Recording

J. Other Business

The next meeting will be Wednesday, August 13, 2025, at Eastern Illinois University in Charleston.

K. Adjournment

This meeting will be audio recorded, and a copy may be requested through the IBHE website.

Board agenda materials online at: www.ibhe.org

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