



**Minutes of the June 30, 2026 Regular Meeting of the
Board of Trustees of Community College District 535**

The 822nd meeting of the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 was conducted on June 30, 2026 at the Des Plaines campus of Oakton College, 1600 East Golf Road, Des Plaines, Illinois.

Closed Session – Call to Order and Roll Call

Chair Bashiri-Remetio called the meeting to order at 5:25 p.m. in room 1502. Trustee Stafford called the roll:

Trustee Theresa Bashiri-Remetio	Chair	Present
Trustee William Stafford	Vice Chair	Present
Trustee Wendy Yanow	Secretary	<i>Absent</i>
Trustee Martha Burns		Present
Trustee Micah Eimer		Present
Trustee Benjamin Salzberg		Present
Trustee Marie Lynn Toussaint		<i>Absent</i>
Trustee Jose San Martin	Student Trustee	Present

Chair Bashiri-Remetio asked for a motion to go into closed session under the exceptions to the Illinois Open Meetings Act, with the purpose of reviewing closed session minutes of May 26, 2026; and consider the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees; collective negotiation matters; the purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body; security procedures; and pending litigation.

Trustee Salzberg made the motion, seconded by Trustee Stafford. Trustee Stafford called the roll:

Trustee Bashiri-Remetio	Aye
Trustee Burns	Aye
Trustee Eimer	Aye
Trustee Salzberg	Aye
Trustee Stafford	Aye
Trustee San Martin	Aye

Also present in room 1502 were Dr. Joianne Smith, President; Johanna Fine, Chief Human Resources Officer; Dr. Bernard Little, Vice President for Student Affairs; Dr. Ileo Lott, Vice President for Academic Affairs; and Michele Roberts, Vice President for Administrative Affairs.

Chair Bashiri-Remetio asked for a motion to adjourn the closed session. Trustee Salzberg made the motion which was seconded by Trustee Stafford. A voice vote was called and the closed session was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Open Session – Call to Order and Roll Call

Chair Bashiri-Remetio called the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 6:31 p.m. in room 1506.

Trustee Stafford called the roll:

Trustee Theresa Bashiri-Remetio	Chair	Present
Trustee William Stafford	Vice Chair	Present
Trustee Wendy Yanow	Secretary	Absent
Trustee Martha Burns		Present
Trustee Micah Eimer		Present
Trustee Benjamin Salzberg		Present
Trustee Marie Lynn Toussaint		Absent
Trustee Jose San Martin	Student Trustee	Present

Also present in room 1506:

Leadership: Dr. Joianne Smith, President; Dr. Kelly Iwanaga Becker, Associate Vice President for Institutional Effectiveness; Johanna Fine, Chief Human Resources Officer; Dr. Bernard Little, Vice President for Student Affairs; Dr. Ileo Lott, Vice President for Academic Affairs; Michele Roberts, Vice President for Administrative Affairs; and Katherine Sawyer, Chief Advancement Officer.

Administrators: Maribel Alimboyoguen, Dean of Health Careers; Marc Battista, Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs; Stephen Butera, Director of Communications and External Relations; Dr. Sebastian Contreras Jr., Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs/Dean of Student Success; Dr. Leana Cuellar, Dean of Access, Equity and Diversity; Dr. Rick Daniels, Director of Institutional Equity and Inclusion; Katherine Dunne Balducci, Assistant Vice President for Operations; Julia Gray, Interim Director of Campus Technologies; Thomas Hicks Jr., Director of Student Success and Academic Interventions; Dr. Matt Huber, Dean of Enrollment Management; Jacob Jeremiah, Dean of Library; Dr. Mark Kiel, Dean of Counseling, Health and Wellness Services; Dr. Alauna McGee, Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs and College Transitions; Dr. Kanchana Mendes, Dean of Instruction, Curriculum and Assessment; Jessi Moon, Associate Executive Director of the Foundation; Nathan Norman, Senior Director of Workforce Development; Christine Paciero, Director of Oakton Athletics; Dr. James Rabchuk, Dean of STEM; Michele Roberts, Vice President for Administrative Affairs; Delia Rodriguez, Dean of Adult and Continuing Education; Emanuel Sarris, Interim Dean of Business and Career Technologies; John Wade, Chief Information Officer; Aaron Wernick, Chief of Campus Police and Emergency Management; and Ella Whitehead, Director of Admission and Equity Outreach.

Union Leaders: Jennifer Crowley, Classified Staff Association; Patrick O'Donnell, Full-Time Faculty Association; and Phil Prale, Adjunct Faculty Association.

Faculty: Olabisi Adenekan, English; Tom Baer, Athletics Coach; Jayne Blacker, Mathematics; Will Crawford, English; Dan Dellaria, Athletics Coach; Michael Doocy, EMT; John Guarnaccia, Athletics Coach; Spencer Kimura, EMT; Chad Landrie, Physical Sciences and Chemistry; and Naga Potluri, Mathematics.

Staff: Jason Arndt, Enrollment Services; Jeremy Brown, Workforce Development; Giacomo Cirrincione, Learning Center; Allison Conner, Learning Center; Krissie Harris, Student Life and Campus Inclusion; Leah Kintner, Workforce Development; Kushal Patel, Information Technology; Mahera Sheikh, Learning Center; Beatriz Sparks, Office of the President; Nini Tella, Senior Manager of Transitions and Persistence; Julio Vidal, Admission; and Juleya Woodson, Workforce Development

Students: Chris AbiNader, Crystal Barrera, Damen Brena, Daniel Costantino, Sam Gaffney, Kevin Garden, Fadi Mufarreh, Joseph Park, and Dominika Sass.

Guests: Erika Burt and Gustav Granchalek.

Approval of Minutes

Chair Bashiri-Remetio asked for a motion for the approval of the minutes of the May 26, 2026 Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees, and the June 9, 2026 Committee of the Whole meeting. Trustee Salzberg made the motion which was seconded by Trustee Stafford. A voice vote was called and the minutes were unanimously approved.

Statement by the President

Condolences

- To Chair and Professor of Surgical Technology, Mary Ellen Girgis on the passing of her father on May 27.

Congratulations & Recognitions

- To Institutional Equity and Inclusion Coordinator, Brenda Cruz and her husband who welcomed baby girl Noemi on May 28.
- To Michael E. Smith, Adjunct Faculty in Liberal Arts who received the Best Director Award for his new film HEKLA at the Fort Myers Film Festival. His film will be showing at the Wilmette Theater on July 14th.
- Baseball Team
 - Baseball All Skyway Conference
 - First team: Giovanni Long, Parker Reinke
 - Second Team: Dan Dellaria Jr., Brandon Heath
 - Honorable Mention: William Hoerner
 - D3, Region 4 and District Champions

- All Region Player of the Year - Parker Reinke
 - All Region Coach of the Year - Bill Fratto
 - First Team: Owen Jenkins, Sam Gaffney (also Academic All-American, 1st team), Brandon Heath, Tyler Heath (also Academic All American, 2nd team), Giovanni Long
 - Second Team: Dan Dellaria Jr.
- Baseball D3, All Americans
 - First Team: Parker Reinke
 - Third Team: Sam Gaffney
- Student Joseph Park was recognized with a Community Advocate Award at Cook County's AAPI Heritage Month Community Leadership & Service Awards Ceremony, hosted by Cook County Treasurer Maria Pappas.
- Oakton's PTK chapter won the following Hallmark Awards:
 - Hall of Honor Chapter Officer - Dominika Sass
 - Hall of Honor Chapter Officer - Fadi Mufarreh
 - Outstanding Member - Dunni Dayo-Kayode
 - Outstanding Advisor - Gabby O'Connor
 - College Project
 - Honors in Action Project
 - Outstanding Officer Team
 - Outstanding Chapter
- Oakton nominees for the 2026 ICCTA Awards were recognized at their June 5th annual awards ceremony
 - Outstanding Adjunct Faculty Award - Michael Doocy
 - Outstanding Full-Time Faculty Award - Ji-Hyae Park
 - Distinguished Alumnus Award - Broderick Hollins Sr.
 - Business and Industry Partnership Award - Endeavor Health
 - Equity and Diversity Award
 - Gandhi/King Peace Scholarship - Ilyas Sidiqian
 - Gigi Campbell Student Trustee Award - Chris AbiNader
 - Paul Simon Scholarship - Joseph Park

Happenings

- Throughout June, Oakton strengthened its community presence by sponsoring and participating in several local events in our community including Juneteenth Celebrations, Pride celebrations and the Taste of Des Plaines, sharing information about Oakton's programs, services and community resources.
- Our Des Plaines Campus was also the site of the Des Plaines Independence Day fireworks on June 28. The free celebration invited the entire community to gather for a lively night of music, activities and a fireworks show to remember.
- Current exhibition at the Koehnline Museum of art by Veteran Illinois artist Mike Baur. This exhibition showcases sculptures inspired by the textures and forms of natural landscapes. The Public Reception takes place on Thursday, July 2, 5 - 8 p.m. Viewings take place from July 2 to September 25, 2026.
- The community is invited to celebrate the opening of a solo exhibition by Moritz Kellerman, Oakton art professor, at the Evanston Art Center. The exhibition showcases a collection of paintings created by Kellerman during 2025-2026. The exhibit will run until July 29.
- Oakton College will be closed on Monday, July 6 in observance of Independence Day.

Educational Foundation Liaison Report

The Foundation has exceeded their budgeted and stretch fundraising goals for the year, having raised more than \$1.7 million to date. Notable contributions received since our last Board meeting include:

- A \$10,000 gift from Foundation Board member Kathy Lichtenstein to launch a scholarship in honor of Julie Fenton and Stuart Chanen.
- A \$5,000 grant from the Consulate General of Mexico in Chicago to renew their support for the IME BECAS Scholarship Fund. Their support will be matched by the Foundation to create a \$10,000 award for qualifying students this Fall.

- More than \$4,500 in gifts from family and friends of Oakton Alum Stan Green to start a memorial scholarship in his name. Stan attributed Oakton accounting faculty for his ability to successfully pass the CPA exam which launch his successful career.
- A \$7,600 gift from New Trier Township to their scholarship fund.
- A \$10,000 gift from Barry and Sandi Hartstein, the son of founding Trustee Ray Hartstein. Their gift was inspired by the new Founders Wall.

The Foundation has elected two new Directors to their Board:

- Barry L. Nelson is a professor emeritus of engineering at Northwestern University and brings decades of higher education experience and a passion for STEM, mentorship and student success.
- Brian Tanenbaum is a local attorney who brings more than 40 years of experience in business, corporate and real estate law, along with a longstanding commitment to nonprofit leadership and expanding opportunities for students.

At their meeting earlier this month, the Board approved funding for 15 grant projects submitted by faculty and staff as part of the Innovation and Excellence Grants program. Projects leaders have been notified and their funds become available for expenditure on July 1.

The Board also elected new officers who will serve 2-year terms in their leadership roles. The new Foundation Board officers include: Jeff Coney, Board President; Scott Hurwitz, Vice President / President Elect; Julie Fenton, Immediate Past President; Katie Hunt, Treasurer; and Kate Gallagher, Secretary. They are joined on the Executive Committee by new committee chairs and assume these roles on July 1.

The Foundation Board reviewed the draft of their new strategic plan and is in the process of approving it this week.

Pathways to Opportunity Report

The Pathways to Opportunity Taskforce met on June 4 and reviewed progress on health care pathways, particularly the Medical Assistant Apprenticeship. The taskforce also discussed a potential model for expanding clinical sites that will allow for the expansion of cohort sizes in several health career programs. Additionally, they reviewed ongoing development in credit for prior learning, which provides a critical onramp to career pathways for working adults.

Furthermore, the taskforce discussed the numerous Early Career Exploration activities that have taken place in recent months through FUTURES Unlimited, engagement with ETHS, the city of Evanston Youth and Young Adult Department, and the ASPIRE Program. Multiple Youth STEAM camps are taking place this summer to provide early exposure to the health care and manufacturing fields, with the goal of continuing to engage these students in future opportunities. The Pathways committee will meet again in August.

HLC Accreditation Liaison Report

In Spring 2026, Oakton submitted a Quality Initiative Report that summarized the progress and achievements of our Strategic Enrollment Management Plan. This report is a key component of our 10-year accreditation cycle. We are pleased to share that peer reviewers affirmed the report, describing the scope as impressive. They encouraged us to take pride in our accomplishments and to keep this momentum going as we move forward with the SEM Plan.

Looking ahead to our Assurance Argument, we have already begun rolling out Oakton Weekly communications and interactive games. We will continue providing opportunities for everyone to engage with our criteria and criteria teams leading into Fall, particularly Opening Day and Learning Day. These events will help us to engage broader audiences, expand our evidence collection, and further develop the Assurance Argument we are drafting.

ICCTA/ACCT Liaison Report

Trustee Stafford shared that registration is open for the ACCT Leadership Congress. This year, the event will be held in Chicago, October 21-24.

Student Trustee Report

Observances

- Monthly Commemorations: Acknowledged June as Pride Month and Men's Mental Health Month, and recognized the recent Juneteenth holiday.
- Campus Diversity: Gratitude to advocates on campus who help celebrate and bring awareness to Oakton's diverse community.

Student Government Association (SGA) Updates

- Summer Training & Budgeting: SGA met twice during the month for leadership role training and to draft the budget for the upcoming school year. They held their final summer training session with college administration.
- Healthcare & PATH Grant: Addressed the removal of the PATH grant from the Illinois FY2027 state budget. The trustee advocated allocating local SGA funds to keep the PATH grant running this year to support healthcare students.
- Student Initiatives: Continued exploring funding for initiatives like discounted transit passes, the Lyft partnership, and textbook support.

Events and Community Engagement

- Attended the Pride Flag raising at City Hall on June 1.
- Participated in the Taste of Des Plaines alongside fellow Trustees.
- Attended the Community Fireworks event hosted on the Des Plaines campus in partnership with the city.

Student Spotlight

Crystal Barrera completed the medical assistant apprenticeship as the sole participant in her cohort and successfully secured a full-time job in pediatrics as a direct result of the program. Crystal highlighted the program as a critical resource for first-generation students who have limited access to professional opportunities. The experience provided hands-on exposure across multiple clinical roles, ultimately helping her identify a career path. Program coordinators Jeremy Brown and Nathan Norman were credited with significant behind-the-scenes support.

Comments by the Chair

Chair Bashiri-Remetio shared celebratory remarks recognizing Juneteenth and Pride Month. She reaffirmed Oakton's community-focused mission and highlighted growing program offerings.

Trustee Comments

Trustee Salzberg shared that the fireworks display in partnership with the City of Des Plaines was a successful event. He said that Oakton's reputation is noted nationally, and the board members actively represent the College.

Trustee Stafford recognized the Golf Outing as a successful fundraising event supporting student athletes, and thanked Christine Paciero.

Trustee Eimer highlighted Crystal Barrera's work and shared that multiple departments competed to hire her upon her apprenticeship completion. He also indicated that the next cohort will have seven students, and thanked Jeremy Brown and Nathan Norman for their work.

Public Participation

Jason Arndt – Enrollment Services

Jayne Blacker – On behalf of the Elevating Indigenous Voices group

Board Report: Student Success at Oakton: Relationship-Rich Ecosystem

Dr. Sebastian Contreras Jr. – Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs

Thomas Hicks Jr. – Director of Student Success and Academic Interventions

Nini Tella – Sr. Manager of Advising, Transitions and Student Success

The presentation outlined Oakton College's "Student Success" ecosystem.

Mission and Strategic Framework

- Core Values & Mission: Dedicated to providing accessible, high-quality, and equitable education centered on student success, diversity, and community engagement.
- Four Curricular Pillars: 1) Enter College Successfully, 2) Navigate College, 3) Grow Academically and Socially, and 4) Transition to Desired Next Step.
- The PERMA-V Model: Integrated framework rooted in positive psychology to support overall student and community well-being.

Onboarding & Student Engagement Metrics

- Online Orientation: Completed by 1,935 degree-seeking (50.4%) and 1,905 certificate-seeking (49.6%) students.
- Advising Reach: 84.7% of degree-seeking students (1,638 total) met with an advisor. This included 1,559 virtual 1:1 appointments and 791 in-person workshops.
- Support Interactions: Recorded 24,486 total student support interactions.

Key Success Outcomes

- Persistence Gains: Tutoring term-to-term persistence grew from 64% to 69% (+5 pts), while Advising term-to-term persistence increased from 76% to 81% (+5 pts).
- Retention Strengths: Fall-to-Fall retention reached 81% for tutored students and 82% for advised students.
- Early Intervention: Faculty early alert submissions rose by 10.3% (from 641 to 706).
- Custom Plans: Completed custom education plans expanded by 16.3% (from 7,730 to 8,991).

Strategic Roadmap (2026–2027)

- Spring 2026: Launch *Destination: Oakton* and establish 8 Area of Interest (AOI) advisor teams.
- Fall 2026: Introduce First-Year Experience (FYE) initiatives, a Student Affairs Placement Coordinator, expanded early interventions, and major/career workshops.
- Spring 2027: Fully integrate the PERMA-V model into campus programming.
- Fall 2027: Achieve a complete transition to the Program Advising Model and full integration of the FYE Strategic Plan.
- National Recognition: Highlights include *Achieving the Dream Leader College* status and selection for the *Aspen Prize Top 200 (2027)*.

NEW BUSINESS**6/26-1a Approval of Consent Agenda**

Trustee Salzberg offered: "Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 approves adoption of the Consent Agenda."

Trustee Stafford seconded the motion. A voice vote was called and the motion passed unanimously.

6/26-1b Approval of Consent Agenda Items 6/26-2 through 6/26-6

Trustee Salzberg offered: "Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 approves the following items 6/26-2 through 6/26-6 as listed in the Consent Agenda."

6/26-2 Ratification of Payment of Bills for May 2026

"Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 hereby ratifies expenditures and release of checks by the Treasurer of Community College District 535 in the

amount of \$8,957,469.54 for all check amounts as listed and for all purposes as appearing on a report dated May 2026.”

6/26-3 Acceptance of Treasurer’s Report for May 2026

“Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 receives for filing as a part of the College’s official records, the report of the Treasurer for the month of May 2026.”

6/26-4 Supplemental Authorization to Pay Professional Personnel – Spring 2026

“Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 approves an adjustment of \$10,006.13 to the total amount of part-time teaching salaries paid during the spring 2026 semester, 2026; the revised total payment amount is \$4,706,356.65.”

“Be if further resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 approves an adjustment of \$23,692.50 to the total amount of faculty overload salaries paid during the spring 2026 semester; the revised, total payment amount is \$1,144,791.48.”

“Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 ratifies the payment of salaries for teaching on a part-time basis during the summer 2026 semester; the total payment amounting to \$1,686,620.99.”

“Be it further resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 ratifies the payment of salaries for teaching on an overload basis during the summer 2026 semester; the total payment amounting to \$2,273,206.22.”

6/26-5 Approval of Clinical Practice Agreements

“Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 approves the following cooperative agreements:

CDS/SUR/XRY (2)
Early Childhood Education (5)
Health Information Technology (1)
Medical Assistant (1)
Medical Laboratory Technology (2)
MLT/NUR/PBT (1).”

6/26-6 Approval of Partnership Agreement with Morton High School

“Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 authorizes the approval of a Partnership Agreement between Oakton College and Morton High School District 201.”

Trustee Stafford seconded the motion and called the roll:

Trustee Bashiri-Remetio	Aye
Trustee Burns	Aye
Trustee Eimer	Aye
Trustee Salzberg	Aye
Trustee Stafford	Aye

The motion carried. Student Trustee San Martin favored the resolution.

6/26-7 Public Hearing and Adoption of Annual Budget for Fiscal Year 2026-2027

a) Public Hearing

Trustee Bashiri-Remetio offered: “WHEREAS the College has published a Notice of Public Hearing in the following newspaper on May 27, 2026, *The Daily Herald*, and made available for public inspection from the 27th Day of May 2026, a tentative budget, that Public Hearing is now declared open. Are there any comments from the public?”

b) Adoption of Annual Budget for Fiscal Year 2026-2027

Trustee Stafford offered: "WHEREAS, on May 26, 2026, the College administration and the Treasurer of the BOARD made such tentative budget as prepared by them conveniently available to the public for inspection for at least thirty days prior to final action thereon; and

WHEREAS, on June 30, 2026, a public hearing was held by the BOARD as to such tentative budget, notice of said hearing having been given at least thirty days prior thereto by publication in a newspaper published in the district, and all other legal requirements having been complied with;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT 535, COUNTY OF COOK AND STATE OF ILLINOIS AS FOLLOWS:

That the final budget in the form attached hereto which contains an estimate of the amounts available in each fund, separately, and of expenditures from each, and which the BOARD deems necessary to defray all necessary expenses and liabilities of such District for the fiscal year, be and the same hereby is adopted as the budget of this District for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027."

Trustee Salzberg seconded the motion. Trustee Stafford called the roll:

Trustee Bashiri-Remetio	Aye
Trustee Burns	Aye
Trustee Eimer	Aye
Trustee Salzberg	Aye
Trustee Stafford	Aye

The motion carried. Student Trustee San Martin favored the resolution.

6/26-8 Authorization to Approve June Purchases

Student Trustee San Martin offered: "Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 authorizes the approval of the attached resolutions, as stipulated in the following agenda items, for the purchase of the following:

<u>Item</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Category</u>	<u>Vendor / Location</u>	<u>Amount</u>
6/26-8a	Furniture for the Adjacencies Project - Phase 2	Construction	Forward Space, LLC Wood Dale, IL	\$256,300.00
6/26-8b	Natural Gas Commodity – Three-Year Contract	Utilities	Symmetry Energy Solutions, LLC Houston, TX	\$300,000.00
6/26-8c	Consulting Services	Consulting	Strata Information Grp. Inc San Diego, CA	\$90,000.00
6/26-8d	Desire2Learn Brightspace Software as a Service Subscription – Three-Year Contract	IT	D2L Ltd. Townson, MD	\$705,537.58
6/26-8e	Ellucian Software Subscription and Maintenance – Five-Year Contract	IT	Ellucian Company, LLC Reston, VA	\$3,017,504.00
6/26-8f	Google Workspace Software as a Service Subscription – Three-Year Contract	IT	CDW Government, LLC Vernon Hills, IL	\$214,455.00

<u>Item</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Category</u>	<u>Vendor / Location</u>	<u>Amount</u>
6/26-8g	Illinois Community College Trustee Association (ICCTA) Dues – One-Year Renewal	Memberships	Illinois Community College Trustees Association Springfield, IL	\$35,000.00
6/26-8h	Services for Temporary Staffing and Recruitment – One-Year Renewal	Consulting	Oakton College Preferred Third-Party Recruiting List FY27	\$250,000.00
6/26-8i	Education Advisory Board – Community College Executive Forum (EAB- CCEF) Program – Five-Year Contract	Memberships	EAB Global, Inc Washington, DC	\$119,750.00
GRAND TOTAL:				\$4,988,546.58

Trustee Salzberg seconded the motion. Trustee Stafford called the roll:

Trustee Bashiri-Remetio	Aye
Trustee Burns	Aye
Trustee Eimer	Aye
Trustee Salzberg	Aye
Trustee Stafford	Aye

The motion carried. Student Trustee San Martin favored the resolution.

6/26-9 Preview and Initial Discussion of Upcoming Purchases

The following purchases will be presented for approval at an upcoming Board of Trustees meeting:

- a. KACI Software
- b. Printing of the Oakton Non-Credit Class Schedule
- c. VSD Replacement
- d. Splunk Software License/Updates/Support
- e. Tenable.sc Vulnerability Scanning Software
- f. Upgraded WAN/Internet Service
- g. Adobe Creative Cloud Software Lease and Support
- h. High Speed Internet Hotspot Data Plans
- i. Ellucian Ethos Integration Consulting Services for PaymentWorks
- j. Bynder Digital Asset Management Software as a Service Contract

6/26-10 Authorization to Hire Dean of Business and Career Technologies

Trustee Salzberg offered: "Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 approves the appointment of Dr. Erika Burt as Dean of Business, Career and Technical Education effective July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027 at an annual salary of \$136,000."

Trustee Stafford seconded the motion and called the roll:

Trustee Bashiri-Remetio	Aye
Trustee Burns	Aye
Trustee Eimer	Aye
Trustee Salzberg	Aye
Trustee Stafford	Aye

The motion carried. Student Trustee San Martin favored the resolution.

6/26-11 Approval of Annual Promotion in Rank

Trustee Salzberg offered: "Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 approves the promotions in rank for full-time faculty members: Jayne Blacker, Dezrine Dunn, Nefize Fejza, Christine Hoang, James Humenik, Ashley Jackson, Ahyoung Kim, Teresa Kirwan, Harper Mazock, Kayla Mitchell, Christy Nosek Carter, Michelle Oh, Joanna Soupos, Maryantoinette Surdo and George Vail."

Trustee Stafford seconded the motion and called the roll:

Trustee Bashiri-Remetio	Aye
Trustee Burns	Aye
Trustee Eimer	Aye
Trustee Salzberg	Aye
Trustee Stafford	Aye

The motion carried. Student Trustee San Martin favored the resolution.

6/26-12 Authorization to Hire a Full-Time, Tenure-Track Faculty Member

Trustee Burns offered: "Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 hereby authorizes the employment of Ms. Maha Shahin for the 2026-2027 academic year, beginning August 2026:

Name	Academic Rank and Assignment	Lane-Step	Base Salary
Maha Shahin	Associate Professor, Medical Lab. Technology	A-10	\$83,743."

Trustee Stafford seconded the motion and called the roll:

Trustee Bashiri-Remetio	Aye
Trustee Burns	Aye
Trustee Eimer	Aye
Trustee Salzberg	Aye
Trustee Stafford	Aye

The motion carried. Student Trustee San Martin favored the resolution.

6/26-13 Acceptance of Faculty Resignation

Trustee Salzberg offered: "Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 accepts the resignation of Paul Bialek effective August 9, 2026."

Student Trustee San Martin seconded the motion. A voice vote was called and the motion passed unanimously.

6/26-14 Approval of Salaries for Administrators

Trustee Bashiri-Remetio offered:

"Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 approves salaries for a total of \$5,757,436 for thirty-seven (37) administrators, and authorizes the issuance of contracts specifying these salaries to the persons named for the period July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027, as listed below."

"Be it further resolved that Alauna McGee will receive a stipend of \$5,000 for interim leadership within the Division of Student Affairs."

"Be it further resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 approves FY2027 administrative salary ranges."

Trustee Salzberg seconded the motion. Trustee Stafford called the roll:

Trustee Bashiri-Remetio	Aye
Trustee Burns	Aye

Trustee Eimer	Aye
Trustee Salzberg	Aye
Trustee Stafford	Aye

The motion carried. Student Trustee San Martin favored the resolution.

6/26-15 Approval of President's Employment Contract

Trustee Bashiri-Remetio offered: "Be it resolved by the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535, County of Cook, State of Illinois, that;

Dr. Joianne Smith be issued a four-year contract as President of Oakton College for the period July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2030, with an annual salary of \$355,604 for the initial year as well as benefits and other employment conditions described in the contract attached hereto."

Trustee Salzberg seconded the motion. Trustee Stafford called the roll:

Trustee Bashiri-Remetio	Aye
Trustee Burns	Aye
Trustee Eimer	Aye
Trustee Salzberg	Aye
Trustee Stafford	Aye

The motion carried. Student Trustee San Martin favored the resolution.

6/26-16 Authorization to Fund Proposed Trustee Travel

Trustee Stafford offered: "Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 approves the consolidated trustee travel plan for fiscal year 2026-2027 attached hereto."

Trustee Bashiri-Remetio seconded the motion. Trustee Stafford called the roll:

Trustee Bashiri-Remetio	Aye
Trustee Burns	Aye
Trustee Eimer	Aye
Trustee Salzberg	Aye
Trustee Stafford	Aye

The motion carried. Student Trustee San Martin favored the resolution.

6/26-17 Approval of Policy Revisions

Trustee Salzberg offered: "Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 approves the proposed revisions to policies 2011, 4000, 4004, 4305, 4313, 4320, and 4321, attached hereto."

Trustee Bashiri-Remetio seconded the motion. Trustee Stafford called the roll:

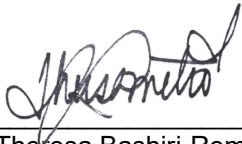
Trustee Bashiri-Remetio	Aye
Trustee Burns	Aye
Trustee Eimer	Aye
Trustee Salzberg	Aye
Trustee Stafford	Aye

The motion carried. Student Trustee San Martin favored the resolution.

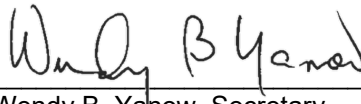
Adjournment

Chair Bashiri-Remetio announced that the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees of Oakton Community College, District 535, will be held at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, August 18, 2026 at the Des Plaines Campus.

Trustee Salzberg made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Trustee Stafford. A voice vote was called and the meeting was adjourned at 8:16 p.m.



Theresa Bashiri-Remetio, Chair



Wendy B. Yahow, Secretary

Minutes recorded by:
Beatriz Sparks
6/2026