

CENTRAL ILLINOIS VOCATIONAL EDUCATION COOPERATIVE
BOARD OF CONTROL MEETING
May 13, 2026

The Regular meeting of the Board of Control of Central IL Vocational Education Cooperative, was held on May 13, 2026 at 9:00 a.m.

President S. O’Laughlin called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Present were: M. Miller, D. Johnson, J. Streit, D. Johnson, A. Underwood, and D. Heck. Also in attendance were Richard Wherley and Kelly Stoecker.

Motion to approve Consent Agenda – A motion to approve as follows: the minutes of the regular Board of Control meeting held on September 10, 2025, Bills between September 10, 2025 – May 12, 2026, and the Financial Report as presented was made by D. Johnson and seconded by D. Johnson. On a roll call vote, all voted yea. The motion carried.

Motion to approve System Director Richard Wherley’s contract for FY27 – A motion to approve Richard Wherley as the System Director for FY27 with a 2% increase for a FY27 salary of \$27,581 and a maximum of 500 hours was made by D. Johnson and seconded by D. Heck. On a roll call vote, all voted yea. The motion carried.

Motion to approve Administrative Assistant Kelly Stoecker’s contract for FY27 – A motion to approve Administrative Assistant Kelly Stoecker salary for FY27 with a 4% increase for a FY27 salary of \$26,238 was made by D. Heck and seconded by D. Johnson. On a roll call vote, all voted yea. The motion carried.

Motion to approve continuing with the current CIVEC Policy Manual – A motion to approve continuing with the current CIVEC Policy Manual was made by D. Johnson and seconded by J. Streit. On a roll call vote, all voted yea. The motion carried.

Motion to approve Local Match Request – A motion to approve FY27 Local Match request as presented was made by M. Miller and seconded by D. Johnson. On a roll call vote, all voted yea. The motion carried.

Reports, Updates, & Information Items – System Director presented the following:

A. FY27 Perkins/CTEI Grant Allocation Update: Mr. Wherley presented the Board with their projected allocations breakdown for each grant for FY27. He informed them that the State has yet to release the actual Grant totals and the allocations may change once CIVEC has their Grant totals. Mr. Wherley explained how he determined how much each school district would receive based on last year’s amounts. He also explained the

Elementary Careers dollar amounts and that CIVEC will still allot a portion of each District with Course Funding and it is determined by FTE CTE count for each semester. The amount will be \$4000 per FTE CTE and the Course Funding checks will be sent out after the second semester FTE CTE counts are given to the CIVEC office.

B. FY27 Admin Budget: Mr. Wherley presented the Board with the projected administration budget and where the funds would be spent.

C. XELLO for FY27: Mr. Wherley updated the Board that the new quote for XELLO had gone up and that he spoke with the Principals regarding the cost to what they receive and he will leave it up to each school if they would like to continue with XELLO or go another route. He gave them different options that ISBE provided to CIVEC. Mr. Wherley explained that if a school chose to stay with XELLO that CIVEC could pay for it and if they chose not to then that amount would be added to their allocations.

D. CIVEC Intergovernmental Agreement: Mr. Wherley informed the Board that nothing was amended in the CIVEC Intergovernmental Agreement and the Board signed the agreement.

E. Approved Gorenz Audit contract: Mr. Wherley updated the Board that we approved the Gorenz Audit contract.

F. FOIA requests and responses & Policy Manual response: Mr. Wherley told the Board about the FOIA requests. Mrs. Stoecker informed the Board of the responses sent.

G. Shared Student Tuition: Mr. Wherley informed the Board with the formula to figure out shared student tuition if they wanted to use it if they had students from another school in our region attend classes at their school.

H. FY26 Perkins and CTEI Grant Balances to Date: Mrs. Stoecker informed the Board that the Perkins grant will be zeroed out after the June 30th payroll. The CTEI grant too will be zeroed out after the June 30th payroll and all other funds have been accounted for.

I. Allotted vs. Spent: Mr. Wherley presented to the Board an allotted vs. spent sheet to show how the funds have been spent this fiscal year. He informed them that a few of the schools turned in extra requests when the Region was asked to and others did not. Also presented was allotted vs. spent over the past four years.

J. Joint Agreement Budget Publication Update: Mr. Wherley updated the Board the Joint Agreement Budget for FY27 will be in the August meeting since the Grant totals are not out yet. The Board agreed to an August meeting.

K. Allowable Grant Fund use: Mr. Wherley reminded the Board of the document that shows what items are allowable/unallowable with grant funds.

L. Program Data Review: Mr. Wherley updated the Board that all schools in the Region have completed their Program Data Review.

M. Comprehensive Local Needs Assessment: Mr. Wherley informed the Board that two schools in the Region still needed to complete their Local Needs Assessment, and that he can not finish the Comprehensive Local Needs Assessment, which is due by May 30, 2026, until all of the schools have completed theirs.

N. Other Discussion: Mr. Wherley asked the Board if there was any other discussion or comments and there were none.

Accomplishments and Goals:

A. Mr. Wherley updated the Board that he has completed the Consolidated Grant Application.

B. Mr. Wherley updated the Board to inform them he toured all eight buildings twice and he liked how the teachers were showing him a lot of the different items that they received from the grants.

C. Mr. Wherley updated the Board to let them know he attended the CEO trade show, Workplace Skills Expo, ICC Manufacturing Days, and the ICC Health Career Expo.

D. Mr. Wherley updated the Board that he attended two Student Services Meetings and hosted one at Vermeer and Martin Equipment.

E. Mr. Wherley updated the Board that he hosted an inservice for Business Instructors at the CAT museum on AI.

F. Mr. Wherley informed the Board he met with EDC, ROE 53, IMA, ICC, Emerging Workforce, and ISAC this year.

G. Mr. Wherley updated the Board that he attended the ICATE state conference.

H. Mr. Wherley informed the Board that the August in-service with Tazewell and Peoria EFES at ICC had 6 instructors attend.

I. Goals in FY27 – Mr. Wherley presented his goals for FY27. He wants to continue to support elementary CTE recruitment.

The next Board of Control meeting will be held in August: The Board will be informed in late July of the date.

Motion to adjourn – A motion was made by D. Johnson and seconded by D. Johnson to adjourn the meeting at 9:36 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Richard Wherley