

**State of Indiana
Commission for Higher Education**

Minutes of Meeting

Wednesday, April 1, 2026

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Commission for Higher Education met in regular session starting at 10:00 a.m. ET at 200 W. Washington St, Indianapolis, IN 46204.

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS AND DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM

Members Present: Mike Alley, Dennis Bland, Kathy Cabello, Edward Castronova, Samantha Fleischaker, Larry Garatoni, Bill Hanna, Nancy Jordan, Molly Kitchell, Kent Kramer, Pepper Mulherin, and Dan Peterson

Members Absent: Jud Fisher

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

R-26-2.1 RESOLVED: That the Commission for Higher Education hereby approves the agenda of the April 1, 2026, regular meeting. (Motion – Alley, second – Mulherin, unanimously approved)

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

R-26-2.2 RESOLVED: That the Commission for Higher Education hereby approves the minutes of the January 15, 2026, regular meeting. (Motion – Jordan, second – Garatoni, unanimously approved)

IV. CHAIR'S REPORT

V. COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

VI. STUDENT SUCCESS & COMPLETION

A. Indiana State University

President Godard of Indiana State University presented this item.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Capital Projects for Full Discussion*

Cody Blake Robison provided the staff recommendation.

R-26-2.3 RESOLVED: That the Commission for Higher Education hereby approves the IU Bloomington Jacobs School of Music Musical Arts Center (MAC) Infrastructure and Renovation from Indiana University. (Motion – Alley, second – Garatoni, unanimously approved)

B. Capital Projects for Expedited Action*

Cody Blake Robison provided the staff recommendation.

R-26-2.4 RESOLVED: That the Commission for Higher Education hereby approves the Capital Projects for Expedited Action: the Hulman Memorial Student Union Commons Renovation from Indiana State University, and the Lafayette Clean Room Project from Ivy Tech Community College. (Motion – Jordan, second – Cabello, unanimously approved)

C. Academic Degree Programs for Expedited Action*

Dr. Matt Butler provided the staff recommendation.

R-26-2.5 RESOLVED: That the Commission for Higher Education hereby approves the Academic Degree Programs for Expedited Action. (Motion – Bland, second – Alley, unanimously approved)

D. Degree Program Review *

Dr. Matt Butler provided the staff recommendation.

R-26-2.6 RESOLVED: That the Commission for Higher Education hereby approves the first action category of the institutions' requests to continue 140 programs under an improvement plan. (Motion – Garatoni, second – Hanna, unanimously approved)

R-26-2.7 RESOLVED: That the Commission for Higher Education hereby approves the second action category of the institutions' requests to continue 335 stop-out or ramp up programs. (Motion – Jordan, second – Bland, unanimously approved)

R-26-2.8 RESOLVED: That the Commission for Higher Education hereby approves the third action category of the institutions' requests to merge or consolidate 359 programs. (Motion – Kramer, second – Cabello, unanimously approved)

R-26-2.9 RESOLVED: That the Commission for Higher Education hereby approves the

fourth action category of the institutions' requests to suspend or eliminate 209 programs. (Motion – Garatoni, second – Mulherin, unanimously approved)

VIII. DISCUSSION ITEM

A. Reporting on Degrees

Brooke Kile and Cody Robinson presented this item.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 P.M. ET.

Dan Peterson, Chair

Jud Fisher, Past Chair