

Connect Transit Board of Trustees
May 1, 2026, 7:00 a.m.
351 Wylie Drive, Normal, IL 61761 – Board Room
Regular Session Minutes – Approved at 5/26/26 Meeting

A. CALL TO ORDER:

Board Chair Julie Hile called the meeting to order at 7:02 a.m.

B. ROLL CALL:

Board Clerk, Janice Crago, recorded attendance via roll call.

Trustees Present:

Trustee Gina Bianchi
Vice Chair Judy Buchanan
Trustee Tyler Cravens
Secretary Linda Foster
Board Chair Julie Hile
Trustee Mandava Rao
Trustee Elicssha Sanders

Trustees Absent:

None

City Managers Present:

Jeff Jurgens, City of Bloomington
Pam Reece, Town of Normal

City Managers Absent:

None

Staff Present:

Janice Crago, Board Clerk

Guest(s) Present:

Robert Babbitt, KL2 Connects
Jeff Popovich, KL2 Connects
Mark Peterson

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND MISSION STATEMENT:

Trustee Bianchi led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.
Board Chair Hile read the Connect Transit Mission Statement.

D. PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

E. EXECUTIVE SESSION - (ILCS 120/2(c)(1) – Personnel Matters:

Board Chair Hile called for a motion to adjourn Regular Session and move into an Executive Session.

Vice Chair Buchanan motioned; seconded by Trustee Bianchi.

Rollcall Vote:

AYE: Trustee Bianchi, Vice Chair Buchanan, Trustee Cravens, Secretary Foster, Trustee Rao,
Board Chair Hile, Trustee Sanders

NAY: None

Motion to adjourn Regular Session and move into Executive Session was **approved at 7:06 a.m.**

REGULAR SESSION RE-OPENED:

Board Chair Hile called Regular Session back to order at 8:31 a.m. in the Board Room and Board Clerk, Janice Crago, took attendance via roll call.

Trustees Present: Trustee Gina Bianchi
Vice Chair Judy Buchanan
Trustee Tyler Cravens
Secretary Linda Foster
Board Chair Julie Hile
Trustee Mandava Rao
Trustee Elicssha Sanders

Trustees Absent: None

City Managers Present: Jeff Jurgens, City of Bloomington
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City Managers Absent: None

Staff Present: Janice Crago, Board Clerk

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F. ADJOURNMENT:

Board Chair Hile called for a Motion to Adjourn.

Trustee Foster; seconded by Trustee Cravens.

Rollcall Vote:

AYE: Trustee Bianchi, Vice Chair Buchanan, Trustee Cravens, Secretary Foster, Trustee Rao,
Board Chair Hile, Trustee Sanders

NAY: None

Motion to adjourn was approved at 8:32 a.m.

Linda Foster-Caruth 5/26/26

Linda Foster-Caruth, Secretary / Date

Janice Crago 5/26/26

Janice Crago, Board Clerk / Date

[CONNECT TRANSIT SEAL]

