

Connect Transit Board of Trustees
May 8, 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 Elicssha Sanders

Trustees Absent:

Trustee Mandava Rao

City Managers Present:

Jeff Jurgens, City of Bloomington

City Managers Absent:

Pam Reece, Town of Normal

Staff Present:

Janice Crago, Board Clerk

Guest(s) Present:

Robert Babbitt, KL2 Connects

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND MISSION STATEMENT:

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

D. PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

E. SAFETY MOMENT:

Board Chair Hile shared the importance of making eye contact with drivers if you are a runner near traffic.

F. 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 Secretary Foster.

Rollcall Vote:

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

NAY: None

Motion to adjourn Regular Session and move into Executive Session was **approved at 7:04 a.m.**

REGULAR SESSION RE-OPENED:

Board Chair Hile called Regular Session back to order at 8:50 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 Elicssha Sanders

Trustees Absent: Trustee Mandava Rao

City Managers Present: Jeff Jurgens, City of Bloomington

City Managers Absent: Pam Reece, Town of Normal

Staff Present: Janice Crago, Board Clerk

Guest(s) Present: None

G. ADJOURNMENT:

Board Chair Hile called for a Motion to Adjourn.

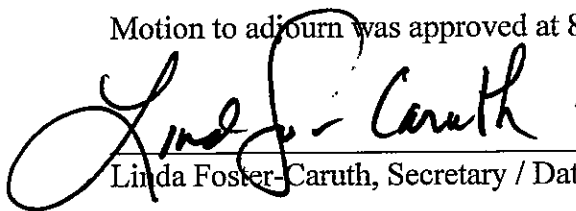
Trustee Bianchi; seconded by Secretary Foster.

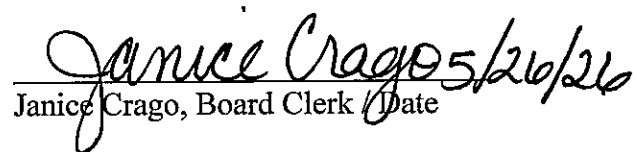
Rollcall Vote:

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

NAY: None

Motion to adjourn was approved at 8:51 a.m.


Linda Foster-Caruth, Secretary / Date 5/24/2026


Janice Crago, Board Clerk / Date 5/26/26

[CONNECT TRANSIT SEAL]

