Eastern Illinois University
Board of Trustees
Closed Meeting Minutes
6/11/2026
The Board entered Executive Session at 11:20 am.

Present:

| Board Members | |
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| Julienne Everett, Chair | Barbara Bauer |
| Bernie Ranchero, V. Chair | Joyce Madigan |
| Chris Hicks | Madison Veatch |

| Administration | |
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| Jay Gatrell, President | Laura McLaughlin, General Counsel |
| Matt Bierman, VPBA | Holly Farley, Provost & VPAA |
| Anne Flaherty, VPSA | |

1. Discussion was had regarding the four collective bargaining agreements ready for Board consideration: Plumbers & Pipefitters Local #149; University Professionals of Illinois Local #4100; FOP; and, Teamsters Local #26. Holly Farley and Anne Flaherty left the meeting.
2. A discussion was provided of the possible reorganization of advance department and impact on personnel. Matt Bierman left the meeting.
3. Contract extensions for Coach Anderson and Coach Gildon were discussed.
4. President Gatrell discussed his thoughts on a potential internal search for the provost or possible appointment of Dr. Farley as the permanent and asked the Board for its thoughts, comments and feedback. The President also discussed representative stakeholder consultation. The consensus was support for an appointment and an understanding of the President's rationale for an alternate pathway. There was also a discussion of presidential succession and personnel accountability in Athletics.
5. McLaughlin presented the closed meeting minutes for 11/15/2025, 1/22/2026, and 4/16/2026 and gave her opinion that the minutes should remain confidential at this time.

Ms. Bauer moved to exit Executive Session and resume the regular Board meeting. This motion was seconded by Dr. Ranchero. Motion was accepted by unanimous voice vote. Executive Session concluded at 11:55 am.