



Kane County

KC Jobs Committee

Agenda

Government Center
719 S. Batavia Ave., Bldg. A
Geneva, IL 60134

LEWIS, ALLAN, Bates, Penesis, Strathmann, Young, ex-officios Roth (County Vice Chair)
and Pierog (County Chair)

Friday, January 16, 2026

10:30 AM

County Board Room

2026 Committee Goals

Goals from the July Jobs Committee meeting

- Revise County Code Definition of the Jobs Committee
- Economic Development Strategic Plan - Begin implementation of the strategies recommenced by the Kane County Economic Development Strategic Plan
- Regional Partnerships - Continue to work with the Greater Chicagoland Economic Partnership and other regional partners on economic development activities
- Local Economic Development Programs - Continue to meet the objectives of the active ARPA Programs and Grant Programs while actively seeking new opportunities to enhance current programming
- Support for Jobs Committee focusing on the Six Priorities
- Implement the Economic Development Strategic Plan for Kane County
- Implement approved ARPA projects
 - oKane County Economic Development Organization - Launch
 - oFabulous Fox! Water Trail - Launch sites and marketing
 - oFarmer Grants – staff managed grants to local food farmers
 - oTourism – with CVB's
 - oManufacturing – with IMEC
- Support the Kane County Economic Development Organization
- Support County's role in the Greater Chicagoland Economic Partnership
- Continue to strengthened partnerships with economic development efforts by the State of Illinois, municipalities, chambers of commerce and economic development groups
- Continue to network and development partnership for the future Hydrogen economy
- Renew "Made and Kane" series in Kane County Connects featuring companies and products that are made in Kane County
- Continue to apply for additional outside grants

- 1. Call To Order**
- 2. Roll Call**
- 3. Remote Attendance Requests**
- 4. Approval of Minutes: November 14, 2025**
- 5. Public Comment**

6. Jobs Committee Priorities

- A. Workforce Ready: High School Initiatives Powering Kane County's Economy (Terry Stroh, Director-Northern Kane County Regional Vocational System)
- B. Kane County Economic Development Initiatives Staff Updates

7. Office of Community Reinvestment - Workforce Development Division

- A. **Resolution:** Authorizing the Creation of a Program Training Specialist Position in the Workforce Development Department Funded Through the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA)
- B. **Resolution:** Authorizing the Creation of a Senior Staff Accountant Position in the Workforce Development Department Funded Through the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA)

8. New Business**9. Reports Placed On File****10. Executive Session**

- A. Release of Closed Session Minutes

11. Return to Open Session

- A. Vote of Release of Closed Session Minutes

12. Adjournment