

**Florida College System Council of Presidents Business Meeting  
Association of Florida Colleges Policy and Advocacy Committee**

**Friday, April 24, 2026 – 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm ET**

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**COP Business Meeting**

- 1.0 CALL TO ORDER — President Georgia Lorenz
  - 1.1 Welcome and Remarks
  
- 2.0 Quorum Check – Tony Carvajal
  
- 3.0 Council of Presidents’ Minutes – President Georgia Lorenz
  - 3.1 Council of Presidents Business Meeting Minutes – February 24, 2026
  - 3.2 Council of Presidents Business Meeting minutes – March 27, 2026
  
- 4.0 Report of the Chair –President Georgia Lorenz
  - 4.1 Chair’s Report
  
- 5.0 Policy and Advocacy Committee – President Fred Hawkins
  - 5.1 Legislative Agenda Priorities for 2026
  - 5.2 Legislative Updates – Seth McKeel
  
- 6.0 Report of the Chancellor, Division of Florida Colleges – Chancellor Kathy Hebda
  
- 7.0 Report of the Chancellor, Division of Career and Adult Education – Chancellor Ashley Meros
  
- 8.0 Other COP Committee and Work Group Reports
  - 8.1 Florida College System Risk Management Consortium – Presidents Jim Henningsen/Tom LoBasso with Chauncey Fagler of FCSRMC
  - 8.2 Articulation Coordinating Committee – President Paul Broadie
  - 8.3 Media and Public Relations Committee – President Tonjua Williams with Karen Moore of Moore Agency
  
- 9.0 COP Support Council Reports
  - 9.1 Council of Trustees – President Ed Meadows  
  
President Kathleen Plinske
    - 9.2 Council of Instructional Affairs – Dr. Heather Belmont
    - 9.3 Council of Student Affairs – Dr. Jan Lloyd-Lesley
    - 9.4 Council for Workforce Education – Dr. Alexia Rolle
  
  - 9.5 Council of Business Affairs – James Duffie, CPA  
  
President Madeline Pumariega
  
  - 9.6 Florida Council for Resource Development – Dr. Laura Byrd

- 10.0 Florida College System Activities Association – President Joe Pickens with Kelly Warren
  - 10.1 FCSAA Report
- 11.0 Association of Florida Colleges Report
  - 11.1 AFC Updates – Dr. Dianne Valdivia
  - 11.2 CEO Report – Tony Carvajal
- 12.0 Announcements, Celebrations, and Other Business – President Georgia Lorenz
- 13.0 Adjourn

**UPCOMING MEETINGS & IMPORTANT DATES\***

May 14, 2026	State Board of Education Meeting – Miami Dade College
May 14-15, 2026	Commissioner’s Summit – Miami Dade College
<i>May 2026</i>	<i>No COP meeting</i>
<i>June 17-18, 2026</i>	<i>COP Annual Meeting, in person, Valencia College</i>
July 22, 2026	State Board of Education Meeting – Orlando
September 16, 2026	State Board of Education Meeting – Hillsborough
October 14, 2026	State Board of Education Meeting – Indiantown High School, Martin Co
<i>November 18-20, 2026</i>	<i>AFC Annual Meeting with Joint Councils, COP, and Council of Trustees – Renaissance Orlando SeaWorld</i>
November 18, 2026	State Board of Education Meeting – TBD

(\*subject to change, *Ital* indicates change since last report)

**FOR REVIEW & DISCUSSION -- PROPOSED COP MEETING DATES FOR 2026-2027\***

<i>July 23, 2026</i>	<i>COP Meetings (in person, Central Florida, Policy Planning meeting with College Lobbyists)</i>
<i>August 2026</i>	<i>No COP meetings scheduled</i>
<i>September 24-25, 2026</i>	<i>COP Meetings (in person, Central Florida)</i>
<i>October 16, 2026</i>	<i>COP Meetings (virtual)</i>
<i>November 19-20, 2026</i>	<i>COP Meetings (in person, <u>with Council of Trustees</u> at the AFC Annual Meeting, Renaissance SeaWorld)</i>
<i>December 4, 2026</i>	<i>COP Meetings (virtual)</i>
<i>January 13-14, 2027</i>	<i>COP Meetings (in person, Tallahassee)</i>
<i>February 1-2, 2027</i>	<i>COP Meetings (in person, Tallahassee)</i>
<i>February 2-3, 2027</i>	<i>Legislative Fly-In, <u>with Council of Trustees</u> (Tallahassee)</i>
<i>March 10-11, 2027</i>	<i>COP Meetings (in person, Tallahassee)</i>
<i>April 14-15, 2027</i>	<i>COP Meetings (in person, TBD)</i>
<i>May 2027</i>	<i>No COP meetings scheduled</i>
<i>June 2027</i>	<i>COP Annual Meeting (in person, TBD)</i>