7. NEW BUSINESS

7.9. ACCEPT ILLINOIS COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD FEDERAL POSTSECONDARY PERKINS BASIC GRANT – CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

Grantor: Illinois Community College Board

Amount: \$817,188.00 **Period:** July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026

Type: Competitive **Matching Funds:** None

Lead Staff: Kristen Jones, Vice President of Education

Purpose: The Federal Postsecondary Perkins Grant, through the Strengthening Career and Technical Education (CTE) for the 21st Century Act (Perkins V), continues to support CTE programs and students, including special population students. The grant funds will advance student academic knowledge, technical skill development and attainment and employability skills. The Perkins grant contributes to student degree and certificate completion, increased enrollment and retention of students who are traditionally underrepresented in career areas and student employment placement.

Recommendation: Accept the Illinois Community College Board Federal Postsecondary Perkins Basic Grant – Career and Technical Education in the amount of \$817,188.00.

