# LCTC System Board of Supervisors

## Board Orientation and Strategic Planning Retreat

Central Louisiana Technical Community College, 516 Murray St, Alexandria, LA 71301
Multi-purpose Room

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## Thursday, October 29, 2026

### 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

### Check-In/Lunch/College Campus Tour

Check-in begins at 11:00 a.m.

Campus Tour at 11:00 a.m. and 11:15 a.m.

Lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m.

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### 12:00 p.m. – 12:30 p.m.

### Opening Session

#### Welcome

- Purpose of the retreat
- Review of objectives and outcomes

#### Discussion:

**"Why We Serve"** Each board member shares:

- What motivated you to serve?
- What do you hope the LCTC System accomplishes during your tenure?

**"What is the LCTC System"** Each board member shares:

- What do you think the LCTC System is/does?

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12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

## Session I: The Board Member's Role in Community College Governance

### Topics

- The unique mission of community and technical colleges
- Fiduciary duties
- Governance responsibilities
- Statutory responsibilities
- Characteristics of high-performing boards

### Discussion Questions

- What behaviors strengthen Board effectiveness?
- What behaviors diminish Board effectiveness?

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1:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

## Session II: Structure and Accountability

### Topics

- Overview of board structure, Board accountability/engagement

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2:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

## Break & Get to Know Each Other

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2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

## Session III: Understanding the LCTC System

### Topics

- LCTC System at a glance

### Discussion

- What accomplishments should the Board celebrate?
- What areas are there for improvement?

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3:30 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.

## Session IV: Board Member Leadership in Times of Change

### Topics

- Changes that affect community and technical colleges
- Changes that affect the state of Louisiana

### Discussion

- If the population we traditionally serve is changing, how must the System change with it?
- How do we prepare students for jobs that may look very different five years from now?
- How do we prioritize when resources cannot fund every desirable initiative?
- What could significantly impact LCTC System over the next five years?

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4:15 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

## Wrap-up Day One

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4:30 p.m. – 5:45 p.m.

## Check-in to Hotel

Holiday Inn – Downtown Alexandria: 701 4th St, Alexandria, LA 71301

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6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. *[6:00-6:30 p.m. Mingle; 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Dinner]*

## Dinner

Diamond Grill: 924 3rd St., Alexandria, LA 71301

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# Friday, October 30, 2026

8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.

## Breakfast

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8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

## Session V: Strategic Planning Workshop

### Topics

- Review Current Strategic Priorities
- Develop Future Strategic Plan

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10:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

## Break

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10:45 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.

## Session VI: Board Effectiveness and Continuous Improvement

**Facilitator:**

### Topics

- Annual Board and Self-Evaluation
- Development Opportunities
- Orientation

### Discussion

- What do you need to know more about to be an even better Board member?

### Reflection Exercise

Each Board member shares/submits:

- One commitment to improve individual effectiveness
- One recommendation to improve Board effectiveness
- One recommendation to improve System effectiveness

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11:15 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

## Closing Session

- Review strategic priorities identified
- Remarks/Feedback from Board members
- Closing Remarks by Board Chair & System President

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11:30 a.m. *[Boxed Lunch To Go]*

## Adjournment