Illinois Forensic Science Commission
Training and Career Development Subcommittee
Open Meeting
Monday, September 28, 2026, at 11 a.m.

I. Call to Order

A. Meeting called to order at 11:01 a.m. by Caryn Tucker.

II. Roll Call

The following individuals were present at the meeting:

1. Jillian Baker, FS Commission member, subcommittee member
2. Caryn Tucker, FS Commission member, subcommittee chairperson
3. Amy Watroba, Executive Director-FS Commission
4. Adrienne Bickel
5. Sheila Daugherty
6. James DeFrancesco
7. Bill Demuth
8. Karen Duquette
9. Lisa Fallara
10. Kevin Gillespie
11. Gail Gutierrez
12. Gina Havlik
13. Gary Lind
14. Anastasia Petruncio
15. Lisa Ramos
16. Larry Shelton

III. Review/Adoption of Minutes

A. Review of the minutes from the August 17, 2026 meeting was postponed to the next meeting due to a lack of quorum.

IV. Old Business

A. Update and discussion on videos for Fundamentals of Forensic Science Video Project.
    a. Ms. Tucker provided an update on attempts to secure a license or subscription for voice-to-text software for use on the remaining 3 videos. The software could be used by ISP training coordinators for training materials and by the Commission. Ms. Watroba suggested finalizing the slides and scripts for the remaining videos so that the subcommittee can review for content and then the voice overs can be quickly completed once the software is hopefully obtained. All three remaining sections are hoping

to have videos complete for review at the Commission's December meeting. Each section provided an update on their progress with video content.

b. Ms. Watroba reported a noticeable increase in the pace of video views for the 3 completed videos. Since last checked on August 17, 2016, Drug Chemistry went from 271 views to 479 views, Latent Prints went from 305 views to 388 views, and Firearms went from 274 views to 395 views.

B. Update and discussion on Ethics Video Project

a. This group has not met since the last subcommittee meeting and thus has no updates currently.

C. Update and discussion on panel discussions/speaker series project

a. Ms. Watroba has secured a speaker on the topic of forensic scientist wellness and provided his available dates in November. The subcommittee scheduled the speaker event for November 19th from 1-2:15 p.m. Central Time. Ms. Watroba will work on assembling information to disseminate about the event.

V. New Business

A. None.

VI. Public Comment

No public comment offered.

VII. Next Meeting/Adjournment

The next meeting will take place on Monday, November 2, 2026 at 10 a.m. on Web Ex. Another meeting also was scheduled for Monday, November 23, 2026 at 11 a.m. on Web Ex.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 11:25 a.m.