

**ILLINOIS QUANTUM AND MICROELECTRONICS PARK, LLC**  
**BOARD OF MANAGERS**  
**MEETING MINUTES**  
**February 17, 2026**

Isadore and Sadie Dorin Forum, Rooms D, E, and F  
725 W. Roosevelt Road, Chicago IL

The meeting of the Illinois Quantum and Microelectronics Park, LLC

(IQMP) Board of Managers was called to order at 10:03 a.m. by Chairman Milhouse.

Present and participating in the meeting were:

Board of Managers

John Atkinson<sup>1</sup>  
Martin Cabrera Jr.  
Lisa Clemmons Stott  
Stacia Edwards  
Sonja Feist-Price  
Brad Henderson  
Paul Kearns<sup>2</sup>  
Young-Kee Kim  
Becky Locker  
Wilbur C. Milhouse III  
Eric Perreault

Absent

Rashid Bashir  
Susan Martinis  
Nadya Mason

Officers and Directors

Andrea Schneider, counsel  
Jeffrey A. Stein, secretary  
Harley Johnson, executive director and chief executive officer

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<sup>1</sup> Mr. Atkinson arrived at 10:03 a.m.

<sup>2</sup> Dr. Kearns participated via remote videoconference.

### **Opening Remarks**

Chairman Milhouse asked the Board to take a moment of silence to remember Rev. Jesse Jackson, whose death was announced that morning.

Mr. Milhouse welcomed Ms. Clemmons Stott to the Board, which was followed by a round of applause. He shared information about Ms. Clemmons Stott's background, said she serves as chief business attraction and development officer in the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, and will also serve on the Executive Committee of the IQMP Board of Managers. Mr. Milhouse referenced the item on the Board's agenda recommending approval of a resolution regarding mitigation of foreign ownership, control, or influence and said this recommendation would be considered during a future meeting of the Board of Managers, as Mr. Mikel Storm, chief security officer, was still working with the federal government on finalizing the resolution.

### **Director/CEO Report**

Mr. Milhouse asked Dr. Johnson to give a report on IQMP. Dr. Johnson welcomed everyone to the meeting and provided a personnel update. He introduced Ms. Lauren Wilson, recently appointed as chief operating officer at IQMP, which was followed by a round of applause. Dr. Johnson listed additional positions that will be filled in the coming months.

Dr. Johnson reported on business development and highlighted key partners. He announced that Quantum Machines would be establishing a flagship hub at IQMP and said they would be housed at the On-Ramp facility while the park is under

construction. He said that Quantum Machines is a leading provider of hybrid control solutions. Dr. Johnson stated that Chicago was selected as the host city for the 2026 Adaptive Quantum Circuits (AQC) Conference, and he shared information about the conference. Discussion followed regarding the need for a calendar featuring quantum-focused events.

Next, Dr. Johnson gave a facilities update and shared timelines for mHub; 200 South Wacker (IQMP headquarters and National Quantum Algorithm Center (NQAC)); Hyde Park Labs; and the initial phases of the IQMP site. He gave an update on work in progress at IBM QS2 at Hyde Park Labs, and he showed aerial images of work underway at the site of IQMP.

Dr. Johnson then reported on workforce development and discussed a series of events, including an expansion of Science Olympiad school programming in communities near IQMP, which he said reaches more than 200 students per year. He shared information about a second cohort of Saturday Morning Quantum, which introduces high school students to quantum physics and engineering careers. Dr. Johnson referred to outreach efforts with 20 local area school principals, and he reported that IQMP partnered with Chicago Public Schools for Chi-Craft Quantum Leap, where more than 800 students compete to design an IQMP campus in Minecraft. Discussion followed regarding communication with parents and opportunities to promote these events. Ms. Shaunna Sims-Davis, IQMP community advisor, gave examples of communication with faith-based communities and other methods of communication.

Dr. Johnson then gave an update on community engagement and the South Chicago Quality of Life Plan. He discussed the goals of the plan and emphasized that IQMP is committed to the implementation of the plan. He referenced the launch of “Chili and Chat” sessions, which were moderated by community leaders and provided an opportunity for IQMP team members to answer questions on a variety of topics.

Mr. Milhouse asked for an update on progress compared to original timelines, and Dr. Johnson said that construction on IQMP is on track. He said there has been a slight delay in the On-Ramp and temporary facilities, and he said that progress on community development is tracking largely as intended, noting that more could be done to increase engagement. Dr. Johnson said that establishing partnerships and interest from companies has gone well, and that it has become necessary to size up.

Mr. Atkinson commended Dr. Johnson and his team. Mr. Henderson echoed these remarks and recognized the leadership of IQMP, stating that IQMP has exceeded initial hopes thus far. He said the opportunity is greater than initially realized. Mr. Milhouse asked how members of the Board can help, and Dr. Johnson asked for their endurance, stating that sustained intensity is needed. Discussion followed regarding potential branding of Illinois as the quantum state and Chicago as the quantum city and the potential for meeting at locations other than the University of Illinois Chicago. Dr. Johnson ended his presentation, which was followed by a round of applause.

### **Presentation: Capital Development Update**

Mr. Mike Wilson, assistant vice president, capital programs and utility services, University of Illinois System, gave a capital development update (materials on

file with the secretary). Mr. Wilson shared information about the National Quantum Facility (NQF), showed the project sites, and stated that a feasibility study was conducted in February 2025. He shared additional information about the project and showed a rendering of the potential building exterior. Mr. Wilson reported on the project's scope and targeted timeline. He then reported on Quantum Works and said the feasibility study was completed in August 2025. Mr. Wilson showed a rendering of the potential building exterior, as well as the building site. He discussed the scope and targeted timeline.

Mr. Wilson then shared an update on procurement and gave an overview of the procurement process. He listed the members of the selection committee and gave an update on the Request for Proposal (RFP) response, and he reported on the current status of selecting a development team. Mr. Cabrera inquired about local workforce goals, and Mr. Wilson indicated that he is working with developers to attract members of the local workforce.

### **Presentation: Pasqal Update**

Mr. Milhouse introduced Dr. Heejeong Jeong, head of Quantum Computing U.S. for Pasqal USA Inc., and asked Dr. Jeong to begin her presentation. Dr. Jeong gave a brief history of Pasqal, stating that the company co-invented neutral atom quantum computing and successfully deployed full-stack neutral atom quantum processing units (QPUs). She showed images of the first neutral atom QPUs and discussed quantum technology, stating that high-performance computing workflows consist of hybrid processes that leverage quantum and classical computing. She described Pasqal's advantages and highlighted its partnerships. Dr. Jeong shared information regarding the

function of a neutral atom quantum processor and described its benefits, and she highlighted more than 40 use cases with global leading companies. She gave examples in aerospace, telecom, finance, and pharmaceuticals, and she presented industry-relevant use cases. Dr. Jeong referred to Pasqal's commitment to and fit within the quantum ecosystem in Illinois, and she presented a road map to a fault-tolerant quantum computer. She concluded her presentation by showing the Pasqal leadership team. Mr. Milhouse thanked Dr. Jeong for the presentation, which was followed by a round of applause.

### **Public Comment**

Dr. Stein indicated there were no requests for public comment.

### **Action Agenda: no. 1, Approve Minutes of December 16, 2025, Meeting of the Illinois Quantum and Microelectronics Park, LLC Board of Managers**

Mr. Milhouse asked if there were any comments or corrections to the minutes from the last meeting of the IQMP Board of Managers, which was held on December 16, 2025. There were none. On motion of Mr. Henderson, seconded by Mr. Cabrera, the recommendation was approved by the following roll call vote: Aye, Mr. Atkinson, Mr. Cabrera, Ms. Clemmons Stott, Dr. Edwards, Dr. Feist-Price, Mr. Henderson, Dr. Kearns, Dr. Kim, Ms. Locker, Mr. Milhouse, Dr. Perrault; Absent, Dr. Bashir, Dr. Martinis, Dr. Mason; No, none.

### **Old Business**

Mr. Milhouse asked if there was any old business, and there was none.

### **New Business**

Mr. Milhouse announced the next meeting of the Board of Managers is scheduled for April 21, 2026.

**Adjourn**

On motion of Mr. Henderson, seconded by Dr. Edwards, the meeting adjourned at 11:22 a.m.