also welcome. There will be a networking event outside of Williamson County at the Williamson County Event Center from 5:30 - 9 PM CST for a casual night of networking, educator collaboration, and learning.

WillCoUNION is a community-driven organization that brings together all educators in Williamson County to share ideas, resources, and best practices. This event is open to all, including educators, parents, and community members.

In a major development this week, Governor Lee and Nashville Mayor John Cooper announced the State University Board of Trustees will be dissolved. The board is responsible for overseeing the state's public universities and colleges. This news comes as the state legislature is considering a bill to create a new state commission to replace the current board.

The State University Board of Trustees was established in 1869 to make policies for the state's public universities. In recent years, questions have been raised about the board's effectiveness and its role in the governance of the state's higher education system.

The bill (HB 2272 / SB 2106) is titled the "Governmental Entity Review Law," which mandates government agencies, boards, and commissions to undergo a review process to ensure they are operating efficiently and effectively. The measure passed the House Education Administration Committee and will be considered by the full House in the coming weeks.

HB 1632 passed the Senate Education Committee and is on its way to the Senate floor. The bill requires state universities to prepare an annual report on the status of education funding in Tennessee. The measure was a priority for Governor Lee, who has proposed a budget to increase education funding in the state.

Monday, February 26th was marked by several legislative actions.

The House Education Administration Committee considered the budgets of three public universities and heard key legislation including:
- HB 2468/SB 2787, which directs state universities to review their enrollment policies for summer terms, with a focus on ensuring that students can progress toward their degree in a timely manner.
- HB 1632, which is still awaiting action.
- HB 1753, which amends the Tennessee's Education Materials Act of 2022, and placed the bill behind the budget.

The Senate Education Committee also considered bills related to higher education, including:
- SB 1722, which gives parents the right to sue public schools over the enforcement of the Age Appropriate Materials Act. The committee passed the amendment, which narrows who has standing to sue.

Lee's 2024-2025 education budget, on Monday, February 26th at 2 PM - 3 PM CT / 3PM - 4PM ET.

Dear {{FirstName or 'Friend'}},