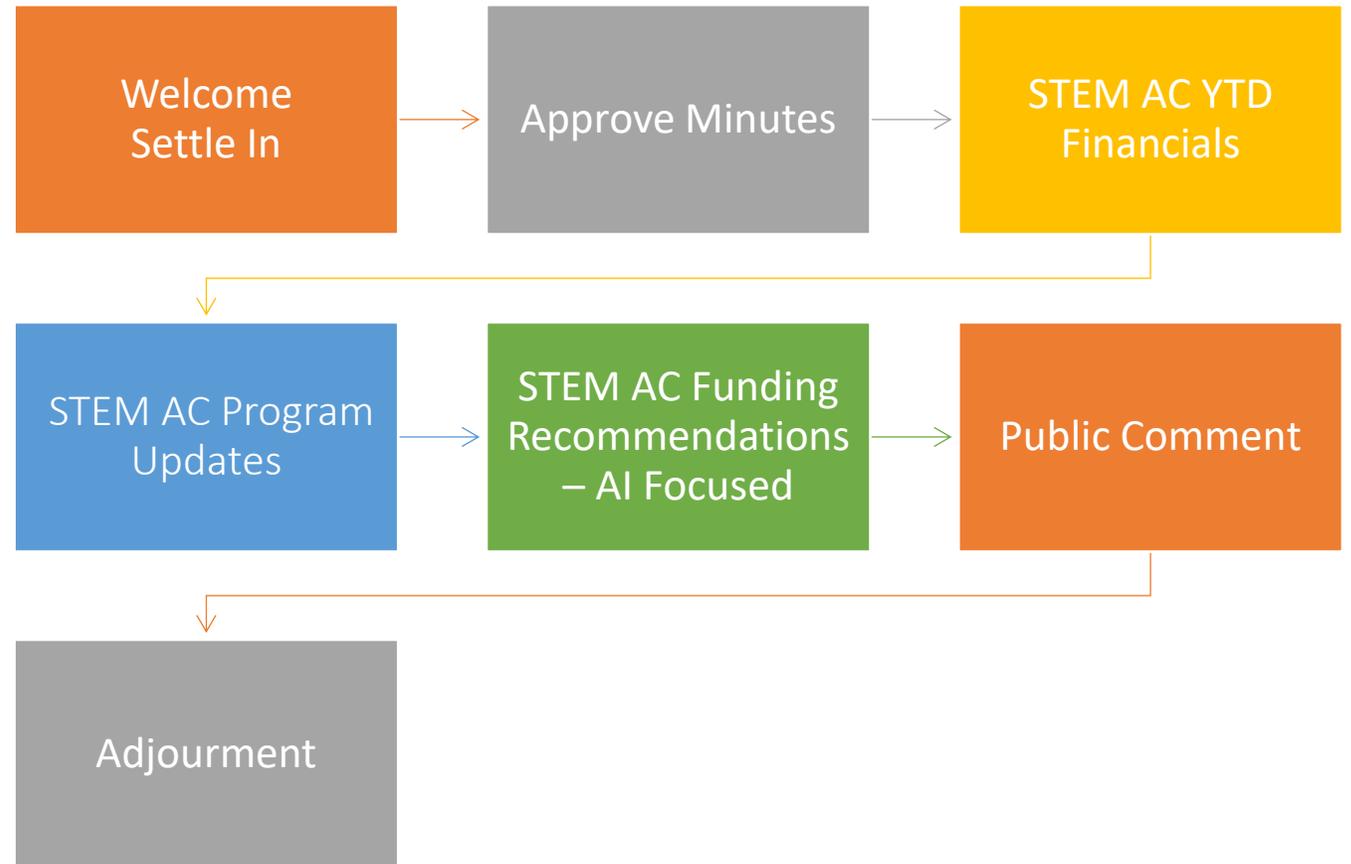




Advisory Board Meeting

February 18, 2026

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November 19th Minutes

- Vote to approve

November Board Meeting Minutes

November 19, 2025

1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

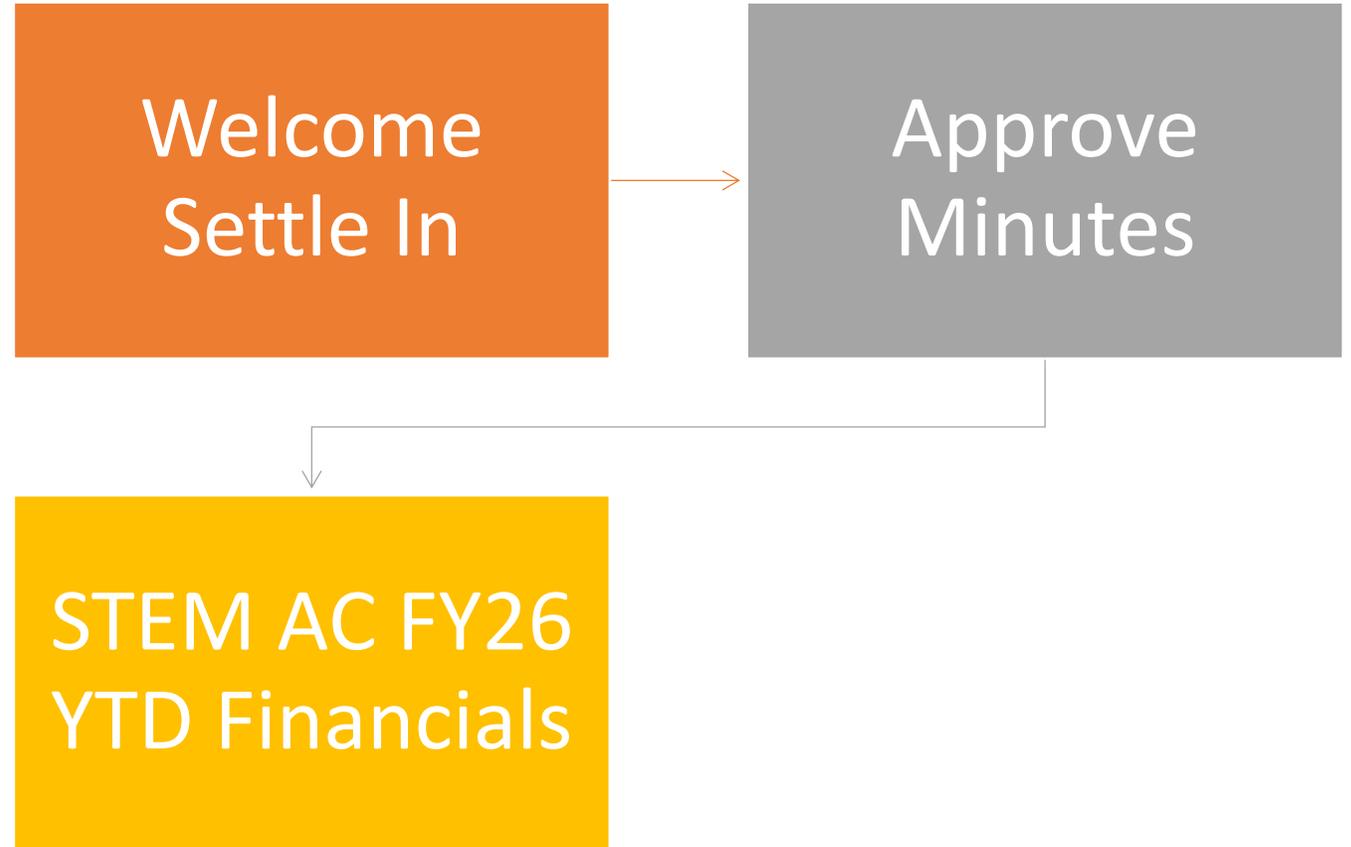
Workforce Development Council

Conference Room

514 W. Jefferson St., Room 136

Boise, Idaho 83702

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Financials

STEM AC GENERAL FUND through 01/31/2026

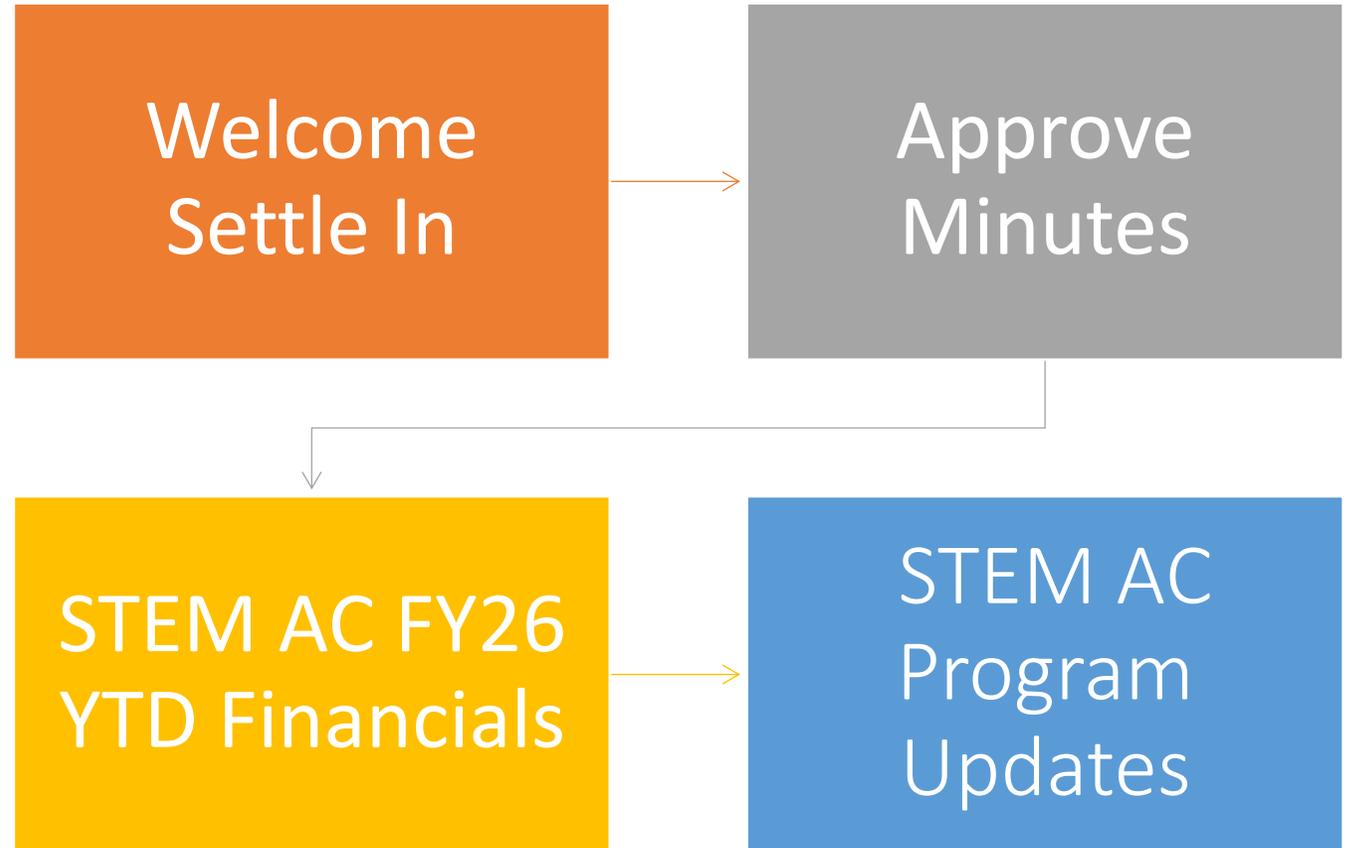
State Expenditure Category	Budget	Actual	Under/(Over)	Actual %
Salary & Benefits	\$ 758,200	\$ 397,440	\$ 360,760	52%
Personnel	\$ 758,200	\$397,440	\$ 360,760	52%
Administrative Services & Supplies	\$ 24,200	\$ 4,335	\$ 19,865	18%
Communication Costs	\$ 10,800	\$ 5,129	\$ 5,671	47%
Computer Services & Supplies	\$ 35,319	\$ 33,617	\$ 1,702	95%
Contracts, Events & Other Council Activities	\$ 2,050,152	\$ 453,034	\$ 1,597,118	22%
Employee Development, Memberships & Subscriptions	\$ 5,000	\$ -	\$ 5,000	0%
Employee Travel Costs	\$ 30,500	\$ 902	\$ 29,598	3%
Government Overhead & Insurance	\$ 83,829	\$ 21,542	\$ 62,287	26%
Rentals & Operating Leases	\$ 140,500	\$ 64,083	\$ 76,417	46%
Operations, Cap, TB	\$2,380,300	\$582,644	\$1,797,656	24%
Grand Total	\$3,138,500	\$980,084	\$2,158,416	31%

STEM AC
GENERAL
FUND
FY2026 YTD

Beginning Balance	\$438,038
Revenue	\$722,726
State Farm	\$25,000
Idaho National Laboratory	\$25,000
Individuals (Payroll, Direct Donations)	\$3,145
NASA ISGC Grant	\$7,650
Grant Recipient Unused Funds	\$25
Workforce Development Council Grants	\$658,493
Total Expenditures	\$776,486
Ending Balance	\$384,278
Obligations	
Externships	\$5,000
STEM School Designation	\$5,000
STEM Educators	\$5,400
AI-EDU	\$9,645
IDSEF/ISEF	\$9,878
Total Obligations	\$34,923
Unobligated Balance	\$349,355

STEM Education
Fund
(Dedicated)
FY2026 YTD

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Program Updates



- STEM Connect Grants
 - \$200k to 15 organizations
- Externship Program
- i-STEM



From

Curiosity

to Career

i-STEM 2026



CONNECTING CLASSROOMS WITH THE WORLD OF STEM:
Bridging student curiosity, classroom engagement, and real-world career pathways.

i-STEM 2026: From Curiosity to Career

Connecting Learning to Idaho's Workforce

- 4-day immersive STEM experience for educators & college/career advisors
- 54 workshops statewide across 6 locations
- Science, Engineering, Technology, and Math at every site
- 2026, Largest Day-1 enrollment in program history



Strengthening Educators. Building Pathways. Scaling Impact.

Mission

Empower educators to connect classroom learning with real-world careers through hands-on STEM.

New in 2026

- Classroom-to-Career Lesson Repository
- Instructor Mentorship Model
- Industry-connected strands
- Career-aligned instruction



Workforce Alignment with Measurable Outcomes

2026 Strategic Outcomes

- **100% of strands include an industry connection**
- **100% of lessons align to Idaho in-demand careers**
- **75%+ classroom implementation by Dec 1, 2026**
- **40,000+ students impacted statewide**

Workshop Alignment:

**Construction • Computer Science • AI Literacy • Manufacturing •
Engineering • Healthcare • Mining • Idaho in-Demand Industries**

i-STEM: Aligning Education with Idaho's Workforce Needs

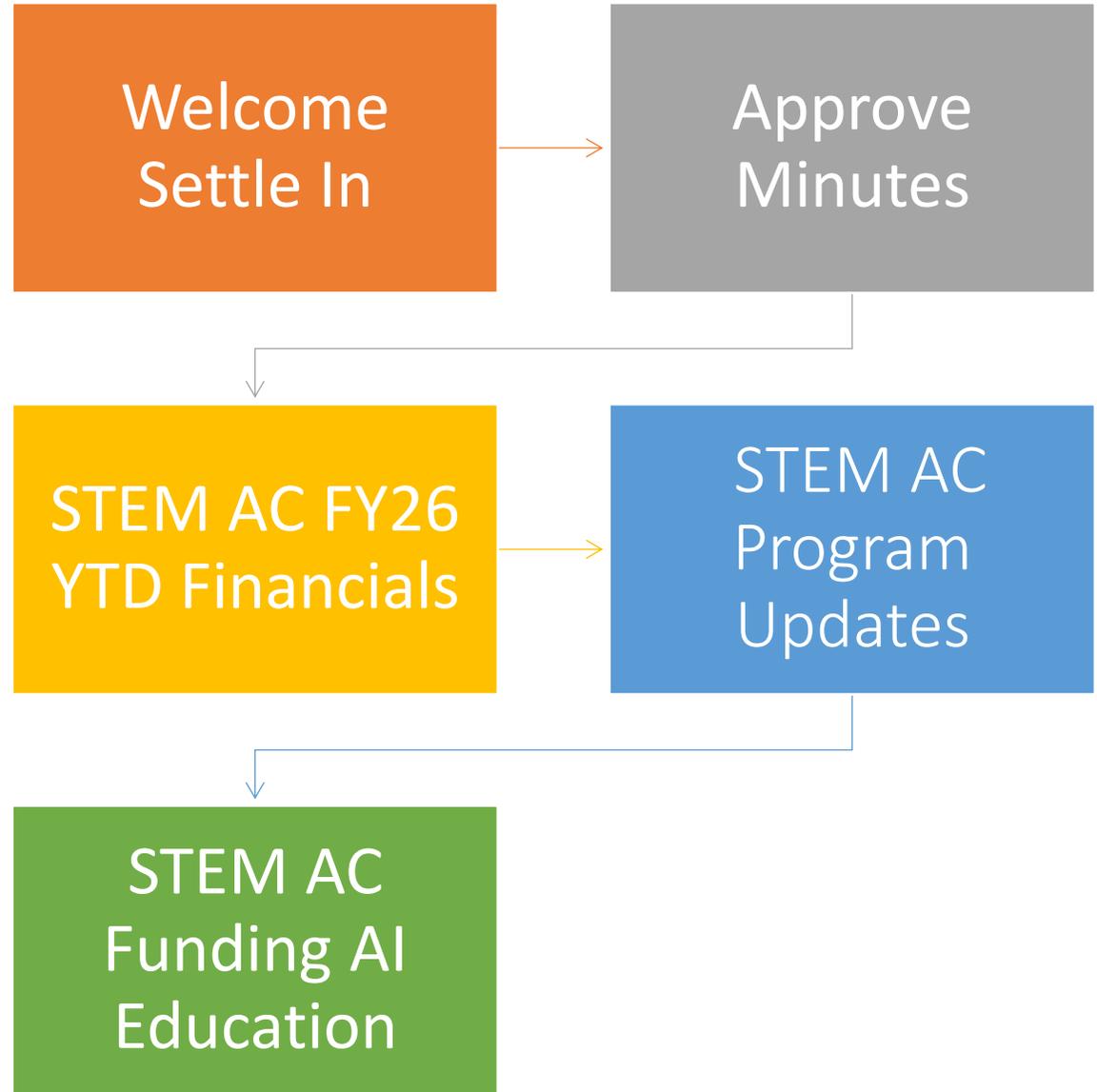
- **Every student sees themselves in STEM**
- **Every classroom connects to careers**
- **Every community strengthens its workforce pipeline**





Educators at i-STEM Instructor Training Day with Keynote, Matthew Baltzell of Idaho Public Television's *Idaho Jobs Explained*

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STEM AC Funding Recommendations

- AI Education - \$250K

AI Education at Idaho Department of Education

Scaling AI-Ready Teaching Across Idaho: A Regional Coaching & Training Initiative

Lead Organization: Idaho Department of Education

Program Lead: Katie Bosch-Wilson, Coordinator, Secondary Mathematics & Computer Science



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