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Lawrence Warren, Board Member, State Board for Community and Junior Colleges
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John R. Junkin, II, Board Member, State Board for Community and Junior Colleges
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