



**MEETING MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS
LEE COLLEGE DISTRICT
POLICY COMMITTEE
September 30, 2026**

The Board of Regents Policy Committee of the Lee College District met on September 30, 2026, at the President's Conference Room, Rundell Hall, Room 200-G. Mark Hall, Committee Chair, called the meeting to order at 4:35 p.m.

PRESENT: Mark Hall, Committee Chair; Heron Thomas; Weston Cotten (arrived 4:49 p.m.)

Jacob Atkin, President; Leslie Gallagher, Chief of Staff and Vice President, Strategic Initiatives and External Affairs; Dr. Douglas Walcerz, Provost and Executive Vice President, Academic and Student Affairs; Fheryl Prestage, Chief Information Officer and Vice President, Information Technology; Amanda Summers, Chief Human Resources Officer; Shana Whittington, Coordinator of Strategic Initiatives and Administrative Services; David Mohlman, Coordinator of Board Relations

TASB UPDATE 50 POLICY REVISIONS

FLD (Local) – After review by team members who use this policy, the Administration recommends not adopting the Update 50 version, Dr. Walcerz said, but instead keeping the existing policy version (issued January 2022 after adoption December 2021). Team members felt additions, subtractions and edits to FLD (Local) in Update 50 are not useful, he said, adding there is nothing inconsistent with law in the existing version. Q&A took place as to obligations of the college regarding TASB updates, and contrasts between Legal and Local versions of policy updates issued by TASB.

TASB UPDATE 51 POLICY REVISIONS

BGC (Local) – Edits made to this policy, which is an outcome of SB 37, include identifying how persons are elected or appointed to Faculty Assembly, and requiring Faculty Assembly meetings to be posted at least seven days in advance, Dr. Walcerz said. Adoption is recommended.

BBC (Local) – Ms. Gallagher said Lee College did not have a local version of this policy. Text of the proposed BBC (Local) is taken directly from the legal version, she said. Adoption is recommended.

CS (Local) – To eliminate redundancy, the proposed edit strikes the requirement for submitting a biennial information security plan, Ms. Prestage said. She explained what already is in place elsewhere in the policy that addresses this. Adoption is recommended.

FB (Local) – The paragraph stating that the Board will collaborate with the President to develop student admission procedures seems relevant perhaps for universities, but not for Lee College, which has open admissions, Dr. Walcerz said. Depending on a student's educational background, there are variations in the admissions process, but in any case, every applicant is admitted, he noted. Additional discussion ensued. The recommendation is to keep the existing policy version (issued July 2026 after adoption June 2026), and not to adopt the Update 51 version.

PROPOSED LOCAL POLICY UPDATES

DGBA (Local) – Main changes to this policy are (1) to remove the Board of Regents from the grievance process by eliminating Level 4, and (2) to provide clarifying language for employees as to what is necessary for the process to progress, Ms. Summers said.

During Q&A that ensued, Ms. Summers clarified that this policy covers the employee grievance process for complaints/concerns, including appeals, as well as non-renewal of an employee contract at year end. In contrast, it does not cover termination of an employee contract during the course of the year, which is covered by a separate policy for which the appeal process does include the possibility of a hearing before the Board of Regents. Additional discussion and clarification continued regarding scenarios involving appeals, contract non-renewals and contract terminations. Adoption is recommended.

FFE (Local) – This policy supports FLB (Local), which is a broader student conduct policy, Dr. Walcerz said. FLB (Local) includes references to FFE (Local), but the college did not have an FFE (Local) policy, he noted. Because bullying may take place in the context of other prohibited behaviors such as alcohol use and/or hazing, an amnesty provision in FFE (Local) specifies that a person who alleges or reports bullying will not be disciplined by the college for participation in those other behaviors, Dr. Walcerz said. Adoption is recommended.

MATTERS OF CONCERN FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

None.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 5:24 p.m.

Chairman, Board of Regents

Secretary, Board of Regents