



Minutes of Brecksville-Broadview Heights Board of Education Special Meeting

The Board of Education Brecksville-Broadview Heights City School District

A Brecksville-Broadview Heights Board of Education Special Meeting of the Board of Education of Brecksville-Broadview Heights City School District was held Tuesday, April 7, 2026, at 1:00 PM in the Brecksville-Broadview Heights Board of Education, 6638 Mill Road, Brecksville, OH 44141.

Attendance Taken at 1:04 PM.

Brad Chase: Present

Eva O'Mara: Present

1. Opening Items
 - A. Opening Statement

Special Meeting

Today is **Tuesday, April 7, 2026 at 1:00 p.m.** We are in the Brecksville-Broadview Heights Board of Education, 6638 Mill Road, Brecksville, OH 44141. This is a Special Meeting of the Policy Committee. Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 121.22, the Board may only discuss and act upon the specific items listed in the official notice of this meeting.

The purpose of this Special Meeting is to:

- review possible changes to Board policies and to consider recommendations to the Board regarding updates to policy.

This meeting is a meeting of the Policy Committee in public for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. **Please note that public participation is not scheduled for this Special Meeting.**

Members:

Jeffrey Harrison, Superintendent

Craig Yaniglos, Treasurer/CFO

Brad Chase, Board Member

Eva O'Mara, Board Member

Pat Corbett, Neola

- B. Pledge of Allegiance



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Please stand and join in the Pledge of Allegiance

C. Roll Call

2. Minutes

RESOLVE to approve the minutes from the November 3, 2025 Policy Meeting as attached. This motion, made by Eva O'Mara and seconded by Brad Chase, Carried.

Brad Chase: Abstain (With Conflict)

Eva O'Mara: Yea

Yea: 1, Nay: 0, Abstain (With Conflict): 1

3. Work Session

NEOLA Policy Update Review

4. Closing Items

A. Adjournment

Resolve to adjourn the meeting. This motion, made by Brad Chase and seconded by Eva O'Mara, Carried.

Brad Chase: Yea

Eva O'Mara: Yea

Yea: 2, Nay: 0

Adjourned at 2:04pm

MEETING SUMMARY:

The Policy Committee of the Breckville-Broadview Heights Board of Education held a special meeting on April 7th to review policy updates and recommendations. Pat, representing Neola (the policy partner), presented suggested revisions for 16 policies and three legal alerts. Key topics discussed included name, image, and likeness policies for athletes, changes to Auditor of State guidance on frequent flyer miles and affinity programs, entrance requirements updates, and new policies on artificial intelligence and food product purchasing restrictions. They also reviewed updates to grading and class rank policies, particularly regarding the Governor's Merit Scholarship and Ohio Guaranteed Admissions provisions. The conversation ended with discussions about compliance challenges related to travel and procurement policies, particularly regarding credit card usage and points accumulation.

Policy Updates and Athletics Guidelines

Pat presented policy updates, including suggestions for 16 policies and three legal alerts. He highlighted a new policy on name, image, and likeness in athletics (Policy 2431.06) that mirrors OHSAA bylaws and provides guidelines for high school athletes to participate in related revenue opportunities. Pat also discussed a group of five policies responding to the Auditor of State's guidance document 2025-012, which now allows employees to earn frequent flyer miles and participate in vendor affinity programs, with the option to maintain current prohibitions or adopt new



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policies with specific guardrails if allowing participation.

Pat discussed several policy updates, confirming that if they choose to maintain current policies rather than adopt new ones (6465), they would simply keep existing policies without making drafting notes for options 1 or 2. They reviewed changes to Policy 5112 regarding entrance requirements, which were moved to align with the first day of instruction to comply with state law. Pat explained the requirements for Policies 5421 (grading) and 5430 (class rank), noting the need for a clear tiebreaker system for the top 10% of students eligible for guaranteed college admission, and clarified the difference between credit units and class periods in Policy 5223.

Pat discussed revisions to several policies. They agreed to revise policy 6215 by deleting the reference to a 5-year forecast and instead referring to the fiscal forecast, as the current requirement is for a 3-year forecast plus the current year. They also discussed policy 6320 regarding the bidding threshold. Pat noted that House Bill 96 had expanded bidding requirements to include school facilities beyond just construction on existing buildings. Pat informed the committee about updated federal thresholds for micro-purchasing and small purchase requirements, which increased from \$10,000 to \$15,000 and \$250,000 to \$350,000 respectively, and the corresponding changes needed in policy 6325.

Pat presented several new policies for consideration, including one on sales tax reimbursement for classroom purchases, an AI policy required by July 1st, 2026, and a policy prohibiting the purchase and distribution of fake meat and eggs. It was inquired about how the fake meat policy would affect parents providing food with specific ingredient requirements for their children. Pat clarified that while providing such food would be permissive, reimbursement would not be required and documentation from healthcare providers would be necessary for medical requirements specified in IEPs or Section 504 plans.

Lastly, the committee discussed policy modifications regarding class rank and scholarship criteria, with the new system prioritizing SAT scores, advanced placement courses, and GPA. They reviewed changes to credit card policies, deciding to maintain the current restriction on personal credit card points to simplify compliance and monitoring. The discussion also covered travel procedures for staff, noting that most travel is infrequent and primarily involves hotels rather than rental cars, making the current simplified approach suitable for their needs.



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Next steps

- Craig: Revise Policy 6215 by removing the reference to "5-year forecast" and replacing it with "fiscal forecast" (or similar language as discussed).
- Craig: Policy 6320 (Purchasing and Bidding) are updated to reflect current state bidding thresholds, including the 3% annual increase language, and update 6325 accordingly for federal fund thresholds (micro-purchasing, small purchase, and price analysis).
- Jeff: Distribute the finalized high school grading/class rank policy (including tiebreaker details) to Pat, either in person or by email, by tomorrow if possible.
- Jeff: Modify and clean up the selected options in the grading practices policy templates for clarity before finalizing.
- Jeff and Craig: Review and make any necessary adjustments to the policies as discussed, and reach out to Pat with any questions.

Committee Chair

Treasurer/CFO



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