



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 Monday, June 1, 2026, at 5:00 PM in the The Learning Center (TLC), 6376 Mill Road, Broadview Heights, OH 44147.

Attendance Taken at 5:02 PM.

Brad Chase: Present
Mark Dosen: Present
Lisa Galek: Present
Tish Kwiatkowski: Present
Eva O'Mara: Present

1. Opening Items
 - A. Opening Statement

Special Meeting

Today is **Monday, June 1, 2026, at 5:00 p.m.** We are in the Brecksville-Broadview Heights Board of Education, 6376 Mill Road, Broadview Heights, OH 44141.

This is a Special Meeting of the Board of Education. 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 for:

- **Campus Master Plan Discussion**
- **Financial Review**

This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Education 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.**

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- B. Pledge of Allegiance
 - Please stand and join in the Pledge of Allegiance
 - C. Roll Call
2. Work Session
- Campus Master Plan Discussion
 - Financial Review

Call to Order and Opening

Board President Mark Dosen called the special meeting of the Brecksville-Broadview Heights Board of Education to order on Monday, June 1, 2026, at 5:00 PM. The meeting was relocated to the TLC building at 6376 Mill Road due to a fiber line internet outage at the usual location. Following the Pledge of Allegiance and roll call, President Dosen noted the meeting's sole purpose was to conduct a work session focused on the campus master plan and a financial review.

Work Session: Campus Construction Update

Superintendent Jeff Harrison introduced Brian Koss to provide an update on current construction projects across the campus.

Hilton Driveway: The project is progressing well and is currently on schedule, with about two months remaining. The roundabout is taking shape, and light pole bases are being installed. An electrical panel at the board office needs full replacement to handle the new lighting, requiring a brief power shutdown scheduled for June 19th. The district is also working on a change order for the "Y" curve near the stadium and actively addressing sediment runoff issues affecting the neighboring Chippewa Hills HOA. Excess dirt from the project is being trucked off-site due to space limitations.

Tennis Courts: Demolition has begun, with fences and poles already removed. Milling of the top asphalt layer will commence shortly, accompanied by a third-party inspection of the sub-base. After the new asphalt is laid, it will require a 14 to 30-day curing period before further work can be done. Drainage systems will also be filmed to ensure they were not compromised during proof rolling. The district has documented the condition of the courts and offered the previous contractor's legal counsel an opportunity to test the site, though they only opted to take photographs. Signs will be posted directing the community to use alternative courts during construction.

Work Session: Campus Master Plan Discussion

Superintendent Harrison initiated a broader conversation about the future phases of the campus master plan to ensure the Board and community share a unified understanding.



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Phasing Flexibility: Harrison clarified that while the master plan has numbered phases (1 through 7), they do not have to be completed sequentially. Phases 1 (Hilton demo) and 2 (Hilton driveway) are funded and underway, while future phases—such as the bus loop, athletic complexes, and middle school renovations—remain unfunded, conceptual "dreams" at this stage.

Academics vs. Athletics: Addressing community feedback regarding the prioritization of athletic spaces over academic buildings (like the Middle School), Board members emphasized that extracurriculars are an extension of the classroom and vital to educating the "whole child." Harrison noted that current athletic facilities, particularly the stadium turf, are heavily utilized by physical education classes, the marching band, and various youth sports.

Middle School Viability: Board Member Brad Chase pointed out a major success of the master planning process: the community agreed to keep both the High School and Middle School in their current locations. Because the Middle School has "good bones" and its footprint remains viable, the district can confidently invest in maintaining and upgrading it using existing permanent improvement funds rather than seeking to build a completely new facility.

Prioritization: The Board universally agreed that protecting the district's operational funding to educate students remains the paramount priority, meaning large-scale bond issues for the master plan will likely take a back seat to securing daily operating funds.

Work Session: Financial Review and Levy Strategy

Treasurer Craig Yaniglos provided a detailed financial forecast, emphasizing that district expenses are continuously outpacing flat revenues. Yaniglos outlined the following key financial realities:

Revenue vs. Expenditure Trends: The district's average annual revenue growth is just 0.12%, while expenditures (driven primarily by inflation and double-digit percentage increases in healthcare benefits) are growing at 3.26%. Enrollment remains relatively stable, meaning staffing levels cannot be drastically reduced without impacting educational quality.

Levy Timing Scenarios: Yaniglos presented three scenarios regarding the district's next operating levy, since the last new operating money was approved nearly 10 years ago :

- *Scenario 1 (Do Nothing):* The district's cash balance would completely deplete by 2030, forcing it into an operational deficit.
- *Scenario 2 (Wait until Spring 2028):* The district's cash reserves would drop precariously low, violating the Board's policy of maintaining at least 90 days of cash on hand.



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- *Scenario 3 (Target Spring 2027):* Yaniglos and Harrison officially recommended targeting the May 2027 ballot for a new 5.9 mill operating levy.

The 5.9 Mill Levy Recommendation: A 5.9 mill levy would generate approximately \$9.5 million annually. Passing this in Spring 2027 would stabilize the district's cash balance and potentially prevent the need for another levy request for 6 to 8 years.

Next Steps: To meet the May 2027 election timeline, the Board will need to pass resolutions to proceed by December 2026 or January 2027. A levy campaign committee is currently forming, and Brian Banjac has agreed to serve as the campaign's treasurer. The district will begin developing simplified educational materials and FAQs to clearly communicate the financial need and tax impact to the community.

Closing Items

With the work session concluded and no further items on the special agenda, President Dosen requested a motion to adjourn. Following a roll call vote, the meeting was adjourned unanimously (5-0).

3. Closing Items

A. Adjournment

Resolve to adjourn the meeting. This motion, made by Tish Kwiatkowski and seconded by Lisa Galek, Carried.

Brad Chase: Yea

Lisa Galek: Yea

Tish Kwiatkowski: Yea

Eva O'Mara: Yea

Mark Dosen: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0

Meeting Adjourned at 6:37pm.

Board President

Treasurer/CFO



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