



Brevard Academy

Monthly Board Meeting

June Board Meeting

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Amended on June 26, 2026 at 7:25 AM EDT

Date and Time

Friday June 26, 2026 at 2:45 PM EDT

Location

Brevard/Transylvania Chamber of Commerce

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Agenda

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
I. Opening Items			2:45 PM
A. Call the Meeting to Order		Jennifer Silva	1 m
B. Record Attendance		Abe Pallas	1 m
C. Approve Meeting Agenda	Vote	Jennifer Silva	1 m
D. Approve Minutes	Approve Minutes	Jennifer Silva	1 m
Approve minutes for Monthly Board Meeting on May 20, 2026			
II. Regular Meeting Business			2:49 PM
A. Opportunity for Public Comment	FYI	Jennifer Silva	5 m
<p>To be recognized by the Chair, an individual needs only to sign in (5 minutes) prior to the meeting being called to order. Each speaker is allowed three minutes unless otherwise specified by the Chair (individuals shall not yield minutes to other individuals). You may supplement or submit public comments electronically or handwritten to the School Director or Board Chair.</p> <p>*Please note that it is a violation of law to discuss personnel and private matters in a public meeting. It is also a violation of law to make slanderous remarks or to cast false accusations in a public meeting.*</p>			
III. Action Items			2:54 PM
A. Finance Action Items	Vote	Paul Cooper	3 m
No Action Items			
B. Governance Action Items	Vote	Abe Pallas	3 m
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Handbook Approvals <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Family Handbook 			

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Employee Handbook • Policy Revisions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ 4160--Grading <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ K-5--Standards-Based ▪ 6-8--Traditional Letter Grades ◦ 4190--Honor Roll <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Eligibility for 6-8 only <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ A Honor Roll ▪ A/B Honor Roll • New Employee Hire Approvals <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Savanna Hall--Instructional Assistant--Kindergarten ◦ Jamie Tinsely--Middle School PE ◦ Maria Vera-Yepey--Instructional Assistant--5th Grade ◦ Savannah Ferguson--Instructional Assistant--1st Grade ◦ Jack Williams--Virtual Math 1 Teacher--Middle School • Board Officer Elections <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Board Chair--Jen Silva ◦ Board Vice-Chair--Brandon Smith ◦ Treasurer--Paul Cooper ◦ Secretary--Abe Pallas 			
C. Facilities Action Items	Vote	Tyree Griffin	3 m
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General Maintenance <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ NA • USDA Ad-Hoc Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ NA 			
D. School Director Action Items	Vote	Ted Duncan	5 m
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Positions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Create a Communications Coordinator Position <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Funds from our advertising line would be diverted to cover the cost. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Overall cost savings. ◦ Add an Instructional Assistant Position in Middle School <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ This position will provide more support to our upper elementary grades and middle school. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ This position is figured into our current budget. 			

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Add an EC Extended Content Standards Teacher for our Resource and Separate Setting Population <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Funded through a competitive grant process with DPI. 			
IV. Other Business			3:08 PM
A. Announcement of Next Meeting	FYI	Jennifer Silva	1 m
V. Closing Items			3:09 PM
A. Adjourn Meeting	Vote	Jennifer Silva	1 m

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Coversheet

Approve Minutes

Section: I. Opening Items
Item: D. Approve Minutes
Purpose: Approve Minutes
Submitted by:
Related Material: Minutes for Monthly Board Meeting on May 20, 2026

APPROVED



Brevard Academy

Minutes

Monthly Board Meeting

Date and Time

Wednesday May 20, 2026 at 5:30 PM

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- Sophia Gamache - Beginning Teacher of the Year
- Kristen Mullins - Rookie of the Year

Sophia Gamache and Jamie Conley will put together portfolios to compete against other teachers in the state for Teacher of the year.

Also, recognizing Dr. Abe Pallas and his wife for their help with the AIG program and volunteering their time.

Also, Jamie Atkinson as being our Board Chair this year and volunteering her time.

D. Opportunity for Public Comment

N/A

III. Committee Reports

A. Finance

School Budget and Treasurer's Monthly Report were discussed

- Monthly Budget
- Cash Board
- Encumbered Funds Snapshot
- The State still has not passed a budget. Hopefully there will be an increase in the state revenue this coming school year.
- FY27 Budget discussed

B. Finance Action Items

Paul Cooper made a motion to Approval of FY27 School Budget as presented.

Mark Franklin seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

C. Governance

- Reviewed Title 1 Family Engagement Policy

Strategic Planning

- Rhodes Branding Review
- Ongoing discussion with BRCC about Early College
- Review Goals

D. Governance Action Items

Abe Pallas made a motion to add Cara Varney as a new Board Member.

Jennifer Silva seconded the motion.

- Performance Framework Snapshot

B. School Director Action Items

Jennifer Silva made a motion to Hire: -Stacey Lewis - EC Teacher 2026-27 School Year - Ty Willette - 4th Grade Instructional Assistant 2026-27 School Year.
Hannah Camenzind seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

V. Other Business

A. Announcement of Next Meeting

June 26 Strategic Retreat

VI. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 7:59 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Paul Cooper

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