

*Educational Service Center of Northeast Ohio  
Essex Place – 6393 Oak Tree Blvd., Independence, OH 44131*

***REGULAR MEETING MINUTES – Friday, September 25, 2026***

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, and the meeting was called to order at 9:34 a.m.

**Roll Call -**

Present – George Klepacz, William L. Morrison, Jr., Carol Fortlage, Christine Krol, Anthony Miceli  
Administration Present – Bob Mengerink, Jennifer Dodd, Andrew Pizzulo

**Public Participation** – There was none.

**Resolution #2026-09-05 - Approve Agenda**

Motion: William L. Morrison, Jr.; seconded by Carol Fortlage  
Ayes: William L. Morrison, Jr., Carol Fortlage, George Klepacz, Christine Krol, Anthony Miceli

***Motion approved 5-0***

**Resolution #2026-09-06 – Approve Personnel Recommendations**

**Be It Resolved** that the Governing Board of the Educational Service Center of Northeast Ohio approves the attached Personnel Recommendations through September 30, 2026.

Motion: Anthony Miceli; seconded by William L. Morrison, Jr.  
Ayes: Anthony Miceli, William L. Morrison, Jr., Carol Fortlage, George Klepacz, Christine Krol

***Motion approved 5-0***

The Superintendent discussed the Cuyahoga Tree Summit and provided an update on the new Guest Services position. He also shared highlights from the OESCA Fall Conference, noting how impressed he was with the Shared Services Alliance (SSA) presentation.

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**Resolution #2026-09-07 - Acceptance of the August 2026 Financial Statements**

**Be It Resolved** that the Governing Board of the Educational Service Center of Northeast Ohio hereby accepts the Treasurer's Financial Statements as of August 31, 2026, which include the following reports: General Fund Financial Report, Cash Position Report by Fund, Schedule of Investments, and Bank Reconciliation.

Motion: Christine Krol; seconded by Anthony Miceli

Ayes: Christine Krol, Anthony Miceli, Carol Fortlage, George Klepacz, William L. Morrison, Jr.

***Motion approved 5-0***

**Resolution #2026-09-08 - Approve the Permanent Appropriations for FY2026-2027**

**Be It Resolved** that the Governing Board of the Educational Service Center of Northeast Ohio approves the Permanent Appropriations of **\$138,972,900** for the fiscal year 2026-2027.

Motion: Carol Fortlage; seconded by Anthony Miceli

Ayes: Carol Fortlage, Anthony Miceli, George Klepacz, Christine Krol, William L. Morrison, Jr.

***Motion approved 5-0***

The Treasurer discussed the Cuyahoga County relationship and provided an update on board member hotel accommodations for the upcoming OSBA Capital Conference. He concluded his report by reminding board members of the upcoming Insurance Committee meeting.

**Resolution #2026-09-09 - Approve Consent Agenda**

**Be It Resolved** that the Governing Board of the Educational Service Center of Northeast Ohio approves the Consent Agenda with the following items:

- a. Minutes of August 27, 2026 Board Meeting
- b. List of OSTs New Teacher Substitutes
- c. List of OSTs Renewals
- d. Positive Education Program Monthly Supplemental Wage List
- e. Minutes of September 18, 2026 Special Meeting

Motion: Carol Fortlage; seconded by Anthony Miceli

Ayes: Carol Fortlage, Anthony Miceli, George Klepacz, Christine Krol, William L. Morrison, Jr.

***Motion approved 5-0***

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**Resolution #2026-09-10 - Executive Session**

**Be It Resolved** that the Governing Board of the Educational Service Center of Northeast Ohio enters Executive Session for the purpose of discussing: 1) employment and 2) compensation of employees of the board per ORC 121.22 (G).

**Time Enter: 10:51 a.m.      Time Exit: 11:30 a.m.**

Motion: Anthony Miceli; seconded by William L. Morrison, Jr.

Ayes: Anthony Miceli, William L. Morrison, Jr., Carol Fortlage, George Klepacz, Christine Krol

***Motion approved 5-0***

**Board Member Reports and Comments**

Mr. Miceli reported that the school report cards were issued and that Richmond Heights had increased to 3.5 overall stars.

Mr. Morrison, Jr., reminded administration to update the contract date for the Department of Labor lease on the contract renewal list.

**Future Agenda Items**

- Provide Financial History of Departments

**Adjournment - Resolution #2026-09-11      Time: 11:36 a.m.**

Motion: Anthony Miceli; seconded by William L. Morrison, Jr.

Ayes: Anthony Miceli, William L. Morrison, Jr., Carol Fortlage, George Klepacz, Christine Krol

***Motion approved 5-0***

***\*\*Facilities Committee Meeting immediately following today's board meeting\*\****

***Next Board Meeting***

***October 29, 2026 at 9:30 a.m.***

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*Minutes submitted by Andrew Pizzulo, Treasurer*

*Minutes approved 10/13/2026*



President



Treasurer