

# Public Relations, Advocacy & Legislative Committee

Meeting Notes  
6/6/2022

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## 1. Public Relations

- Committee Comments & Recommendations:
  - Board Retreat - **NYSSBA offers *A Culture of Leadership*, a 90-minute presentation on how school boards can positively affect district culture by modeling leadership, adjusting process/communication, and a professional development plan. Session is led by Patrick Longo, Member Relations Manager, NYSSBA**

## 2. Advocacy

- **CLPCA Testimony:** Plan is to create a NYSSBA Resolution from the [draft document](#), and submit for Board approval
- **Free School Meals:** Finalize advocacy statement and language to share with PTOs and in PRAL section of BCSD website (using LHEC's Voter Voice app (<http://www.lhec.org/votervoic.html>)).
- **Universal Pre-K:** Meredith will put this together
- **Electric Buses:**
  - A workshop on this could happen in late summer/early fall
  - There is a tentative plan to conduct an "education session" during DCSBA in the 22-23 session, to offer more insight on the issue

## 3. Legislative

- **2022 Summer Law Conference:** Topics include teacher shortages, new laws and regulations affecting public education, court and administrative decisions, increase in FOIL requests, collective bargaining in 2022. Virtual, July 28-29
- **Open Meetings (NYS):** No word yet from the Committee on Open Government regarding the new section 103A authorizing videoconferencing. BCSD BOE can develop a policy on this in the 22-23 school year.