

STATE OF OHIO

# Executive Department

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

*Columbus*

I, Mike DeWine, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby appoint Brenda S. Haas, from Ironton, Lawrence County, Ohio, as a Member of the Shawnee State University Board of Trustees for a term beginning April 9, 2021 and ending at the close of business June 30, 2028, replacing Jeffrey P. Albrecht, who resigned.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the Great Seal of the State of Ohio to be affixed, at Columbus, this 9th day of April in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty One.

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Mike DeWine". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Mike DeWine  
Governor



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## RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

January 2020- Present	<b><i>Governor's Office of Appalachia</i></b> Technical Consultant-independent contractor Consult, collaborate and coordinate projects with potential eligible grant applicants, the four Local Development Districts, federal and state agency partners, educational institutions on grant funding (specifically POWER grant proposals) within Ohio Appalachian counties
December 2016-June 21, 2019	<b><i>Ohio Department of Higher Education, Associate Vice-Chancellor, P16 Initiatives</i></b> Educator Preparation, College Credit Plus Program, Statewide GEAR UP grant, Remediation free standards committee & access and success initiatives
August 2011-November 2016	<b><i>Shawnee State University, Dean University College</i></b> Portsmouth, Ohio Founding Dean of SSU University College. Developmental Education, General Education Program, Student Success Center, AIS & BIS (Individualized Studies), Veterans, three TRIO Programs, Student Career Services and College Credit Plus
September 2010 – August 2011	<b><i>Shawnee State University, Interim Dean University College</i></b> Portsmouth, Ohio Transitioning OACHE
August 2005-2011	<b><i>OACHE (Ohio Appalachian Center for Higher Education) Executive Director</i></b> Postsecondary access organization supporting K12 and higher education institutions within the 32 Ohio Appalachian counties. Office located at Shawnee State University, Portsmouth, Ohio 45662
July 1999 to August 2005	<b><i>Dawson-Bryant High School, Principal</i></b> Coal Grove, Ohio High School That Works reform model implemented. High School received "excellent building rating" ODE Recognized as a "School of Promise" ODE
1991-1999	<b><i>Dawson-Bryant Elementary, Principal</i></b> Deering, Ohio  Ohio Department of Education: Ohio Best Practice Award Ohio Department of Education, Ohio University, & University of Toronto sponsored case study, "Transforming Learning Community-Whatever It Takes" based on successful elementary school reform. Trainer for Johns Hopkins "Success for All" school reform model (early reading interventions, strategies for student learning & community support teaming) Community & family support team facilitator for Dawson-Bryant
1986-1991	<b><i>Rock Hill Elementary Building # 1, Principal</i></b> Ironton, Ohio
1972-1986	<b><i>Rock Hill Elementary Schools (# 1, 2 &amp; 3), Teacher</i></b> Ironton, Ohio

### **EDUCATION/CERTIFICATION**

**Ohio University-6/13/2003-** Doctor of Education (Education Administration Major)  
**Ohio University-8/26/1978-** Masters of Education (Elementary Education Major)  
**Ohio University-8/25/1973-**Bachelor of Science Degree in Education (Elementary Education Major)  
**Ohio Department of Education (2000)-** Ohio Superintendent license  
**Ohio Department of Education-** Permanent K-8 Teaching Certificate

### **PROFESSIONAL AWARDS**

2000-2003      Dissertation: Comparative Case Study of Two Southeastern Ohio school districts. Study focus on the stability of school leaders. **Awarded the American Education Research Association 2003 Rural Dissertation of the Year**  
2007            Awarded the Ohio University College of Education **Samuel I. Hicks Executive in Residence Award**  
2018            Champion of Appalachia Award iBelieve Foundation Award

### **PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATION MEMBERSHIP & PARTICIPATION**

2020-present      Member Lawrence County Broadband Committee  
2016-present      Advisory member of Ohio Deans Compact on Exceptional Children  
2016-2019          Advisory member of Ohio Leadership Advisory Council  
2009                Trainer Leadership Certification from the Center for Creative Leadership, Greensboro, NC – currently certified as trainer for “Leading Change”  
2009                Ohio University Executive Leadership Training  
2009                Participated in the National College Access Network national conference, San Francisco  
2008                Member of Governor Community Services Advisory Group (School Reform)  
2008                Southeast Ohio STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) Advocate (OLSN)  
2008                Presenter 25th Annual Student Financial Aid Research Network (SFARN) Conference (Baltimore)  
2008                Completed “Train the Trainer” for Kids2College Program (Sallie Mae Fund) Elementary focus  
2008                Member of the *Ohio P16 Committee* (represented rural Ohio at national P16 conference, July 2008)  
2007 & 2008        Presenter Ohio College Access Network Conference  
2006                Presenter at national Gear Up Conference, Atlanta, Ga.  
2006                Presenter at Ohio School Improvement Conference  
2005-current        Member of the Ohio College Access Network Advisory Council  
2004-2010          Member of the Shawnee Mental Health Board of Directors; SMH Board Chair, 2008  
2004-2010          Co-chair West Virginia Higher Education College Access Program (replicating OACHE)  
2004-current        American Education Research Association **2003 Rural Dissertation of the Year** Award  
2003                Member of the Ohio Technology Standards Advisory Committee (Ohio Department of Education)  
2000                School Selected as Making School Work (High Schools That Work 7-12 initiative) by ODE/SREB  
1998-2000          Presenter School Net Conferences (distance learning, video-conferencing)  
1996                Presenter Success for All Conference. Baltimore, Md. Family Support/Agency Involvement Teams  
1996                Presenter AERA conference in Montreal, Canada (Transforming Learning Communities: School Culture)  
1997                Presenter at Missouri Department of Education and Secondary Education Summer Leadership Academy

### **PROFESSIONAL WORK**

- 2016 Co-writer of a successful federal Title III (grant funded 1.9 million) at Shawnee State University
- 2016 Innovation Grant for Bridge Program (grant funded \$517,000)
- 2015 Supervised implementation of Shawnee State University's College Credit Plus Program
- 2014-2016 Lead the revision of SSU General Education Program
- 2013 Mentorship Initiative (grant funded)
- 2012-2014 High School-Higher Education Alignment Project (grant funded)
- 2004-2010 Developing rural P-16 Council model with support of the Appalachian Regional Commission
- 1999-2003 School Facilities Study: Research of Ohio School Facilities (interviewed and participated in site visits of Ohio school districts at all phases of facility work –including the Ohio Facility Commission) in collaboration with Dr. Catherine Glascock (OU College of Education) for publication of school facility articles.
- 1997-1998 Transforming Learning Communities: *Whatever It Takes* case study of school reform based on Deering Elementary (ODE and University of Toronto project).
- 1997-1999 *High Schools That Flourish: Rural Context, Case Studies, and Resources* textbook. Assisted Dr. Craig Howley (ERIC Clearinghouse & Ohio University) interviewed school superintendents of small rural schools located in four states.



## GOVERNOR'S APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

**Appointment Date:** 4/9/2021

**Name of Appointee:** Brenda S. Haas  
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**Name of Commission:** Shawnee State University Board of Trustees  
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940 Second Street  
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**Term Begins:** 7/1/2019  
**Term Ends:** 6/30/2028  
**Party Affiliation:** Republican  
**Senate Confirmation:** Appointed by the Governor, confirmed by the Senate  
**Financial Disclosure:** Confidential disclosure required  
**Vice:** Jeffrey P. Albrecht

