

Before / after: 9-page scanned board minutes

Source: a publicly published document from a US school district.

Remediated as a demonstration. No fee, no obligation.

Result

Before After

Accessibility score 10/100 100/100

Automated failures 4 0

Pages 9 9

What was done

- OCR applied to 9 page(s)
- Structure tree built (6 H1, 5 H2, 7 H3, 3 H4, 2 H5, 2 LI, 209 P)
- Metadata repaired: Document title, DisplayDocTitle

Problems fixed

- Document had no structure tree - screen readers could not identify headings, follow reading order, or navigate lists
- Pages were scanned images with no text - invisible to screen readers and unsearchable
- Document had no title - assistive technology announced the filename
- No language declared - screen readers used the wrong pronunciation rules

What a person still has to do

This is the honest part, and it is why we do not sell 'automatic compliance':

- OCR output has NOT been proofread. Optical recognition misreads proper nouns, numbers and unusual fonts, and a screen reader will read any error aloud as fact. A human must check the text before this document is delivered.
- Reading order was inferred from page geometry. A human must confirm it before delivery - this is the one thing automation cannot verify for itself.

Automated remediation does the mechanical majority of the work. Reading order, the quality of alternative text, and table header identification need human judgement, and we include that review rather than pretending it is unnecessary.

You can verify the before and after yourself, free and without uploading anything, at <https://pdfaccessibilitytest.com>