

# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

## WADSWORTH CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Minutes of Regular Meeting

Date: November 20, 2023

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The Wadsworth City Board of Education met in Regular Session on Monday, November 20, 2023, at 7:00 P.M at James R. McIlvaine Performing Arts Center, 625 Broad Street.

### ROLL CALL

Present                    **Batey, Gordon, McComas, Kramer, Stevens**  
Absent  
Administrators        **16**  
Staff                      **7**  
Visitors                 **59**

Student Liaison        Tyler Blum

### **23-11-122    APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES**

The motion was made by **McComas**, seconded by **Batey**, to approve the following Board of Education Meeting Minutes:

Special Meeting        October 9, 2023

VOTE:    Yea -    Gordon, McComas, Kramer, Stevens, Batey  
              Nay -    None

Motion Carried,

### STUDENT/STAFF RECOGNITION

STUDENT	GRADE	SCHOOL
Amaya Arnold	04	Franklin
Molly Renner	04	Isham
Laylla Duncan	04	Lincoln
Leo Beitel	04	Overlook
Adalena Rybak	04	Valley View
Luna Hackman	02	Grizzly Digital Academy
Hannah Davis	06	CIS
Lydia Hall	07	WMS
Colby Nicholson (October)	08	WMS
Hailey Harris	12	WHS Career-Technical
Sydney Daily	12	WHS

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### ADMINISTRATIVE DISCUSSION ITEMS, PRESENTATIONS AND UPDATES

- A. Presentation by Treasurer Doug Beeman: Five-Year Financial Forecast.
- B. November 3 WCS Employee Professional Development Day.
- C. Nutrition Standards.
- D. Special Education Rating – Set for December 21, 2023 at 3:30 p.m. at the CRP Administration Building.

### PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

### ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

**23-11-123** Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Hill, the motion was made by **Kramer**, seconded by **Batey**, to adopt the Personnel Consent Items from the November 20, 2023, Regular Meeting, as presented:

#### A. **PERSONNEL CONSENT ITEMS**

##### 1. Resignations

- |    |                   |   |                 |
|----|-------------------|---|-----------------|
| a) | Lisa Dalman       | Girls' Reserve Lacrosse Coach                                       |                 |
| b) | Matt Hulme        | Reserve Wrestling Coach   | (eff. 11/10/23) |
| c) | Chris Kallai, Sr. | Carpentry Job Site Teacher  |                 |
|    |                   | Asst. (suppl.)  | (eff. 10/30/23) |
| d) | Jackie Morris     | Non-Teaching Employee   | (eff. 10/18/23) |
| e) | Samuel Piehl      | Certified Teacher/<br>WMS Band Director/<br>WHS Asst. Band Director | (eff. 08/19/24) |
| f) | Lynn Pound        | Non-Teaching Employee   | (eff. 06/01/24) |
| g) | Brent Steiner     | 8th Grade Asst. Wrestling Coach                                     | (eff. 11/10/23) |
| h) | Clay Wenger       | Varsity Wrestling Head Coach  | (eff. 10/18/23) |
| i) | Michael Wenger    | Varsity Asst. Wrestling Coach                                       |                 |
| j) | Erin McPherson    | Certified Teacher   | (eff. 01/01/24) |

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### 2. Employments

*(Recommendations are contingent upon each individual receiving his/her license from the Ohio Department of Education prior to the start of the 2023-2024 school year, with a license effective date of July 1, 2023, if he/she does not already have the said license and successfully meeting all other pre-employment requirements of the Board.)*

#### a) Non-Teaching Employees

Amber Barbarotta	(eff. 10/19/23)
Michelle Gerlitz	(eff. 10/30/23)
Robert Gish	(eff. 11/06/23)
Darla Jenkins	(eff. 10/30/23)
Michelle Oakley	(eff. 11/08/23)

#### b) Salary-Exempt Employees

Michelle Longoria	(eff. 11/13/23)
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#### c) Classified Substitutes

Matthew Cole	(eff. 11/17/23)
Michelle Oakley	(eff. 10/31/23)
Michell Plouse	(eff. 11/13/23)

#### d) Supplemental Contracts

Matt Hulme	Varsity Asst. Wrestling Coach	(eff. 11/10/23)
Ryun Louie	Pana Percussion Camp	
Molly Palecek	Girls' Asst. BKB Coach (Vol.)	(eff. 11/03/23)
Brent Steiner	Reserve Wrestling Coach	(eff. 11/10/23)
Justin Todd	Opportunity School Coordinator	
	Extended work hours	
	(up to 140 hours)	
Michael Wenger	Varsity Wrestling Head Coach	
Doug Miller	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Asst. Wrestling Coach (50%)	

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e) Volunteers

Julie Ambrose	Lori Pekare
Mike Bowser	Carrie Poetter
Damaris Brumfield	Amanda Rossi
Tina Cargill	Ginger Schleifer
Brittany Collins	Renata Shega
Mary (Florence) Demastes	Lori Snoke
Sara Drollinger	Lucy Sondles
Amanda Gailey	Ola Thuestad
Katie Heiple	Matthew Vitarella
Sara Mahoney (Hoynes)	Megan Vitarella
Justina Kline	Derek Warner
Derek Knack	Stephanie Warner
Holly May	Rebecca Williams
Nick May	Tanya Williford
Katie Miller	Rebecca Wilson
Jodi Osborne	Danielle Winwood
	Angela Wooldridge
	Michelle Wooley

f) Event Workers

Kalyn Davis  
Jocelyn Thompson

g) Athletic Contest Workers

Dennis Schrock	(eff. 11/03/23)
Joe Snyder	(eff. 10/21/23)
Phillip Seenes	

h) OHSAA Sponsored Athletic Event Workers & Rate of Compensation

*\*Division I Girls Soccer Sectional Semifinal vs. Brecksville -  
Oct. 14, 2023 at Art Wright Stadium*

Gail Sheffield	Site Manager	\$100
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*\*Division I Volleyball Sectional Tournament (Revere vs. Normandy) - Oct. 21, 2023 at Wadsworth High School*

Allyson Wines                      Tournament Site Manager                      \$50

*\*Division I Football Regional 1st Round Playoff vs. Brunswick - Oct. 27, 2023 at Art Wright Stadium*

Kristine Palecek                      Media Coordinator                      \$80

*\*Division I Football Regional Quarterfinal Playoff vs. Medina - Nov. 3, 2023 at Art Wright Stadium*

Kristine Palecek                      Media Coordinator                      \$80

\*Other personnel required were paid at their previously Board of Education-approved athletic contest worker rate.

3. Recommendation to amend the unpaid leave for Brianna Crowley through the end of the 2023-2024 school year (September 11, 2023 Board approval reflected leave through January 3, 2024).
4. Recommendation to amend the unpaid leave for Jordan McGovern through the end of the 2023-2024 school year (September 11, 2023 Board approval reflected a return date of January 4, 2024).
5. Recommendation to approve unpaid leave for Allison Romano from the end of her allowable sick leave through March 17, 2024.
6. Recommendation to approve unpaid leave for Sandra Shaffer from the end of her allowable sick leave through December 31, 2023.
7. Recommendation to approve unpaid leave for Erin McPherson from August 21, 2023 through December 31, 2023.

**VOTE:** Yea – McComas, Kramer, Stevens, Batey, Gordon  
Nay – None

Motion Carried,

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**23-11-124** Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Hill, the motion was made by **Batey**, seconded by **Gordon**, to adopt the Action Consent Items from the November 20, 2023, Regular Meeting, as presented:

**B. ACTION CONSENT ITEMS**

1. Recommendation to approve the Agreement for Admission for Tuition Pupils Pursuant to Sections 3327.04, 3327.06, 3323.14, 3317.08 and 3313.841 O.R.C. between the Bedford City School District Board of Education and the Wadsworth City School District Board of Education. **(ATTACHED)**
2. Recommendation to approve the Agreement for Excess Cost for Children with Disabilities Pursuant to Sections 3313.981 O.R.C., 3323.14 O.R.C., and Rule 3301-48-02(F) between the Cloverleaf Local Board of Education and the Wadsworth City School District Board of Education. **(ATTACHED)**
3. Recommendation to approve the Agreement for Excess Cost for Children with Disabilities Pursuant to Sections 3313.981 O.R.C., 3323.14 O.R.C., and Rule 3301-48-02(F) between the Norton Board of Education and the Wadsworth City School District Board of Education. **(ATTACHED)**
4. Recommendation to approve the Agreement for Excess Cost for Children with Disabilities Pursuant to Sections 3313.981 O.R.C., 3323.14 O.R.C., and Rule 3301-48-02(F) between the Chippewa Local School Board of Education and the Wadsworth City School District Board of Education. **(ATTACHED)**
5. Recommendation to approve the School Counseling Comprehensive Program document. **(ATTACHED)**
6. Recommendation to approve the Independent Contractor Agreement between the Wadsworth City Board of Education and Wadsworth Community Radio, effective January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024. **(ATTACHED)**

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7. Recommendation to waive a first reading and adopt the following revised Wadsworth City School District Board of Education policies:
  - 1662 Anti-Harassment
  - 2266 Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex in Education Programs and Activities
  - 3362 Anti-Harassment
  - 4362 Anti-Harassment
  - 5512.01 Random Alcohol, Drug and Nicotine Testing of Wadsworth City School District Students
  - 5517 Anti-Harassment
  - 8390 Animals on District Property
  
8. Recommendation to set the substitute vehicle driver rate of pay at \$17.95/hr., eff. 10/31/2023.
  
9. Recommendation to approve the following high school courses, effective with the 2024-2025 school year:
  - Popular Music as Literature
  - Modern Nonfiction
  - Literature as Film
  - The Art of Poetry
  - Creative Writing
  - Multi-Language Pathway 1
  - Multi-Language Pathway 2
  - Cultures of the Spanish-Speaking World
  - Medical Spanish
  - French Film
  - Colloquial French
  - Modern Novel
  
10. Recommendation to accept the following donations:

Wadsworth All-Sports Boosters	\$2,837.99
Wadsworth All-Sports Boosters	\$ 558.35
Medina County Health Department	\$1,000.00
Cleveland Clinic	\$2,500.00
Medina Hospital Medical Staff/Cleveland Clinic	\$2,500.00
BellStores	\$ 500.00
Mark Sandridge	\$2,000.00
ADAMH Board of Medina County	\$7,900.00

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Medina County Women's Endowment Fund at the Akron Community Foundation	\$3,000.00
Medina County Arts Council, Inc.	\$ 703.85
Medina County Arts Council, Inc.	\$ 734.85
Central Intermediate School PTO	\$1,900.00
Minute Men Ohio Comp	Buehler's gift cards (\$4,000.00 value)
Wadsworth Band Boosters	64 concert dresses
Wright Tool Company	1999 Ford F150
Blue Tip Company	\$1,000.00

11. Recommendation to approve the Carpentry Assistant substitute rate of pay at \$14.40/hour.
12. Recommendation to approve the Evolve Academy of Medina City School District Contract Addendum. **(ATTACHED)**
13. Recommendation to approve the Bilingual Speech & Language Services Invoice between Nydia A. Mendez and the Wadsworth City School District Board of Education. **(ATTACHED)**
14. Recommendation to approve the Ohio High School Athletic Association (OHSAA) Tournament Agreement for Football Regional and State Semi-Final Games. **(ATTACHED)**
15. Recommendation to renew District membership in the Medina County Economic Development Corporation for the period of December 1, 2023 through November 30, 2024.
16. Recommendation to approve the Standard Student Data Privacy Agreement between Brisk Labs Corp and the Wadsworth City School District Board of Education. **(ATTACHED)**
17. Recommendation to approve the Costume Rental Contract between Akron Design & Costume and the Wadsworth City School District Board of Education, effective October 16, 2023. **(ATTACHED)**
18. Recommendation to approve an overnight trip to Philadelphia and New York City for the high school band November 26-30, 2024.
19. Recommendation to approve the Texthelp Terms of Use, including the Summary of Changes, and the Texthelp Privacy Policy. **(ATTACHED)**
20. Recommendation to approve the Four Cities Compact Advisory Committee Rosters for the 2023-2024 school year. **(ATTACHED)**

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21. Recommendation to determine the following student as impractical to transport for the 2023-2024 school year:

Brady Watcher          Archbishop Hoban

22. Recommendation to approve the Amendment to Terms of Service and/or Privacy Policy between EdClub, Inc. and the Wadsworth City School District Board of Education. **(ATTACHED)**

23. Recommendation to approve the Contract between Foertmeyer & Sons Greenhouse Co. and the Wadsworth City School District Board of Education. **(ATTACHED)**

24. Recommendation to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the Wadsworth Education Association and the Wadsworth City School District Board of Education. **(ATTACHED)**

25. Recommendation to approve two (2) Contract Addendums between Active internet Technologies, dba Finalsite, and the Wadsworth City School District Board of Education. **(ATTACHED)**

26. Recommendation to approve the Kahoot! Enterprise Agreement. **(ATTACHED)**

**VOTE:** Yea – Kramer, Stevens, Batey, Gordon, McComas  
Nay – None

Motion Carried,

### **ITEMS OF THE TREASURER**

**23-11-125** Upon the recommendation of Treasurer Beeman, the motion was made by **McComas**, seconded by **Kramer**, to adopt the Action Item of the Treasurer from the November 20, 2023, Regular Meeting, as presented:

#### **A. ACTION ITEM**

1. Recommendation to adopt the FY 2024 Five-Year Forecast and Assumptions for submission to the Ohio Department of Education.
2. Recommendation to transfer \$1,487.45 from the General Fund (001) to the Food Service Fund (006-0000).
3. Recommendation to request a refund of \$93,954.35 from the Medina County ESC for overpayments during the 2022-2023 school year.

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4. Recommendation to accept the financial reports as presented and subject to audit.
5. Recommendation to approve Lisa Jones as a Wadsworth Public Library Board Trustee, effective January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2030.

**VOTE:** Yea – Stevens, Batey, Gordon, McComas, Kramer  
Nay – None Motion Carried,

### LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

**KRAMER:** Announced that the OSBA bill tracker lists all of the education bills that are being debated.

H.B. 279 Seat belts on school buses.

H.B. 250 Military enlistment seal on diploma.

S.B. 162 In hearing status.

### BOARD MEMBER ITEMS

**TYLER**

**BLUM:** Reported that the choir recently went to Chicago and performed at the John Hancock building. Last weekend WHS performed their fall musical and the fall drama is coming soon. The Choir will perform the National Anthem at an upcoming Cavs game. The Boys' and Girls' Bowling Teams both won their opening tournaments. WHS Athletic Department recently held a college signing day where five student athletes signed the letter of intent to play in college. Girls' CC Team won the Suburban League.

**JULIE**

**BATEY:** Mentioned that the WHS still looking for grab and go snack items for their pantry. Reminder of the upcoming Cavs game for the HS Choir. Elementary schools are focusing on the character trait of gratitude this month. Grizzly Academy visited the Senior Center and delivered cards. WMS character trait this month is to be the crowd. Encouraging students to invite other students to MS events. CIS will have a turkey trout this Wednesday sponsored by PTO. Congratulated Joyce Walker and the special education team for the recent recognition.

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### **AMANDA**

**GORDON:** Excited about how the Be Kind initiative has taken off and thanked everyone involved in the program. Reminder the WHS Marching Band is in the Metallica Marching Band competition. The character strong initiatives happening in each school is amazing and encouraged everyone to keep participating.

### **GARY**

**MCCOMAS:** Congratulated all of the Students of the Month. Recognized all the fall sports for their success in the league and the tournament and wished best of luck to the winter sports teams.

### **LINDA**

**KRAMER:** Congratulated Tyler for his role in the Music Man (ironically, he played a school Board member).

With next month being her last meeting, Linda wanted to share the following. Two important things she has done are served 10 year on Battered Women Shelter Board and 24 years on the Board of Education. Thanked everyone that voted for her over the years. To the staff and administration, she has loved them and felt their love. She's very proud to be part of this wonderful Board and this school district. Accomplishments: Started the student representative position on the Board program and added Career Tech students to Students to the Month.

### **JILL**

**STEVENS:** Congratulated to the Students of the Month and thanked the Be Kind Committee for the swag bags. Mentioned that the Competitive Cheer program took 3<sup>rd</sup> place and Mentioned that the J. Turano took 1<sup>st</sup> place in jumping category. Great experience for our WHS Band participating in the Skull Session. WCTV Clapper awards resulted in the Senior Center's Apples with Andy Program winning for best look into the schools. Coach Booth was honored with the Paul Walker Award from the Ohio HS basketball Coach's Association. Thanked the WHS Seniors that participated in leaf raking day. Thanked to the community for their support in the recent election. Thanked all the donors on tonight's agenda.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**WHEREAS**, a public board of education may hold an executive session only after a majority of a quorum of this board determines by a roll call vote to hold such a session and only at a regular or special meeting for the sole purpose of the consideration of any of the following matters:

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- A. ***To consider one or more, as applicable, of the check-marked items with respect to a public employee or official:***
1. Appointment
  2. ***Employment***
  3. Dismissal
  4. Discipline
  5. Promotion
  6. Demotion
  7. Compensation
  8. Investigation of charges/complaints (unless public hearing requested).
- B. ***To consider the purchase of property for the public purposes or for the sale of property at competitive bidding.***
- C. Conferences with an attorney for the public body concerning disputes involving the public body that are the subject of pending or imminent court action.
- D. Preparing for, conducting or reviewing negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment.
- E. ***Matters required to be kept confidential by Federal law or rules or State statutes.***
- F. Regularized details of security arrangements where disclosure of the matters discussed might reveal information that could be used for the purpose of committing or avoid prosecution for a violation of the law.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Wadsworth City Board of Education, by a majority of the quorum present at this meeting, does hereby declare its intention to hold an executive session on A2, B and E as listed above.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**23-11-126** The motion was made by **McComas**, seconded by **Gordon**, to enter Executive Session at **8:24** p.m.

**VOTE:** Yea – Batey, Gordon, McComas, Kramer, Stevens  
Nay – None

Motion Carried,

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**EXECUTIVE SESSION** recessed at **9:50** p.m.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

**23-11-127** The motion was made by **Stevens**, seconded by **Batey**, to adjourn at **9:50** p.m.

**VOTE:** Yea – Gordon, McComas, Kramer, Stevens, Batey  
Nay – None

Motion Carried,

(Signed) \_\_\_\_\_  
**Jill Stevens**, President

(Attested) \_\_\_\_\_  
**Douglas D. Beeman**, Treasurer