

**ANSONIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING**

**PLACE:** Mead School Cafeteria    **DATE:** 10 December 2025    **TIME:** 6:30 p.m.  
**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY:** Superintendent Joe DiBacco.

Attorney Bryan LeClerc requested to appoint Cassie Venson as temporary Recording Secretary.

**MOTION:** To appoint Cassie Venson as temporary Recording Secretary.

| MEMBERS OF THE BOARD          | MOTION | YES | NO | ABSTAIN |
|-------------------------------|--------|-----|----|---------|
| DR. STEVEN ADAMOWSKI          |        | X   |    |         |
| MR. RICH BSHARA               |        | X   |    |         |
| MS. STEPHANIE OCASIO-GONZALEZ |        |     |    |         |
| MR. DAVID KNAPP               | X      | X   |    |         |
| MS. BETH LABERGE              |        | X   |    |         |
| MR. CHRIS PHIPPS              |        | X   |    |         |
| MS. SHARON VOROSCHAK          |        | X   |    |         |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                  |        | 6   | 0  | 0       |

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**I. OPENING**

**A.** Pledge of Allegiance

**B. Roll Call** – Attorney Bryan LeClerc called a quorum

| MEMBERS OF THE BOARD          | PRESENT | ABSENT | LATE |
|-------------------------------|---------|--------|------|
| DR. STEVEN ADAMOWSKI          | X       |        |      |
| MR. RICH BSHARA               | X       |        |      |
| MS. STEPHANIE OCASIO-GONZALEZ |         | X      |      |
| MR. DAVID KNAPP               | X       |        |      |
| MS. BETH LABERGE              | X       |        |      |
| MR. CHRIS PHIPPS              | X       |        |      |
| MS. SHARON VOROSCHAK          | X       |        |      |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                  | 6       | 1      | 0    |

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**II. Public Session**

**III. Action Items**

**A. Election of President, Vice President, and Secretary.**

**Discussion:** Attorney Bryan LeClerc asked if there were any nominations for Board of Education President.

Ms. Beth LaBerge nominated Mr. Chris Phipps for President of the Board of Education. There were no other nominations.

**MOTION:** To elect Mr. Chris Phipps as President of the Board of Education.

| MEMBERS OF THE BOARD          | MOTION | YES | NO | ABSTAIN |
|-------------------------------|--------|-----|----|---------|
| DR. STEVEN ADAMOWSKI          |        | X   |    |         |
| MR. RICH BSHARA               |        | X   |    |         |
| MS. STEPHANIE OCASIO-GONZALEZ |        |     |    |         |
| MR. DAVID KNAPP               |        | X   |    |         |
| MS. BETH LABERGE              | X      | X   |    |         |
| MR. CHRIS PHIPPS              |        | X   |    |         |
| MS. SHARON VOROSCHAK          |        | X   |    |         |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                  |        | 6   | 0  |         |

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Mr. Chris Phipps said he would like to nominate Mr. Dave Knapp as Vice President of the Board of Education. There were no other nominations.

**MOTION: To elect Mr. Dave Knapp for Vice President of the Board of Education.**

| MEMBERS OF THE BOARD          | MOTION | YES | NO | ABSTAIN |
|-------------------------------|--------|-----|----|---------|
| DR. STEVEN ADAMOWSKI          |        | X   |    |         |
| MR. RICH BSHARA               |        | X   |    |         |
| MS. STEPHANIE OCASIO-GONZALEZ |        |     |    |         |
| MR. DAVID KNAPP               |        | X   |    |         |
| MS. BETH LABERGE              |        | X   |    |         |
| MR. CHRIS PHIPPS              | X      | X   |    |         |
| MS. SHARON VOROSCHAK          |        | X   |    |         |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                  |        | 6   | 0  |         |

Attorney Bryan LeClerc said he would like to entertain motions for the office of Secretary of the Board of Education. Ms. Sharon Voroschak said she would like to nominate Beth LaBerge for the office of Secretary of the Board of Education.

**MOTION: To elect Ms. Beth Laberge for the office of Secretary of the Board of Education.**

| MEMBERS OF THE BOARD          | MOTION | YES | NO | ABSTAIN |
|-------------------------------|--------|-----|----|---------|
| DR. STEVEN ADAMOWSKI          |        | X   |    |         |
| MR. RICH BSHARA               |        | X   |    |         |
| MS. STEPHANIE OCASIO-GONZALEZ |        |     |    |         |
| MR. DAVID KNAPP               |        | X   |    |         |
| MS. BETH LABERGE              |        | X   |    |         |
| MR. CHRIS PHIPPS              |        | X   |    |         |
| MS. SHARON VOROSCHAK          | X      | X   |    |         |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                  |        | 6   | 0  |         |

#### **B. Select Rules of Order**

Mr. Phipps said we currently follow Robert's Rules of Order. He asked for nomination to continue to follow Robert's Rules of Order for the following year.

**MOTION: To follow Robert's Rules of Order.**

| MEMBERS OF THE BOARD          | MOTION | YES | NO | ABSTAIN |
|-------------------------------|--------|-----|----|---------|
| DR. STEVEN ADAMOWSKI          |        | X   |    |         |
| MR. RICH BSHARA               | X      | X   |    |         |
| MS. STEPHANIE OCASIO-GONZALEZ |        |     |    |         |
| MR. DAVID KNAPP               |        | X   |    |         |
| MS. BETH LABERGE              |        | X   |    |         |
| MR. CHRIS PHIPPS              |        | X   |    |         |
| MS. SHARON VOROSCHAK          |        | X   |    |         |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                  |        | 6   | 0  |         |

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**C. Appoint Recording Secretary**

Mr. Dave Knapp said he would like to make a motion to appoint Cassie Venson as Recording Secretary.

**MOTION: To appoint Cassie Venson as Recording Secretary.**

| MEMBERS OF THE BOARD          | MOTION | YES | NO | ABSTAIN |
|-------------------------------|--------|-----|----|---------|
| DR. STEVEN ADAMOWSKI          |        | X   |    |         |
| MR. RICH BSHARA               |        | X   |    |         |
| MS. STEPHANIE OCASIO-GONZALEZ |        |     |    |         |
| MR. DAVID KNAPP               | X      | X   |    |         |
| MS. BETH LABERGE              |        | X   |    |         |
| MR. CHRIS PHIPPS              |        | X   |    |         |
| MS. SHARON VOROSCHAK          |        | X   |    |         |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                  |        | 6   | 0  |         |

**D. Committee Appointments**

Discussion: Mr. Phipps asked the Board to review the list of appointed committee members. He said if there are any changes that need to be made, it can happen at a later date.

**IV. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** To adjourn the meeting at 6:38 p.m.

| MEMBERS OF THE BOARD          | MOTION | YES | NO | ABSTAIN |
|-------------------------------|--------|-----|----|---------|
| DR. STEVEN ADAMOWSKI          |        | X   |    |         |
| MR. RICH BSHARA               | X      | X   |    |         |
| MS. STEPHANIE OCASIO-GONZALEZ |        |     |    |         |
| MR. DAVID KNAPP               |        | X   |    |         |
| MS. BETH LABERGE              |        | X   |    |         |
| MR. CHRIS PHIPPS              |        | X   |    |         |
| MS. SHARON VOROSCHAK          |        | X   |    |         |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                  |        | 6   | 0  |         |

Respectfully submitted,

*Cassie Venson*

Cassie Venson  
Recording Secretary  
Date: 12/16/2025