RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
WADSWORTH CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Minutes of Organizational Meeting Date: January 8, 2026

The Wadsworth City Board of Education met in Organizational Session on Thursday, January 8, 2026, at 7:00 P.M. at James R. McIlvaine Performing Arts Center at Wadsworth High School, 625 Broad Street.

CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

OATH OF OFFICE TO NEWLY ELECTED BOARD MEMBERS

Treasurer Beeman administered the Oath of Office to **Julie Batey, Amanda Gordon** and **Tom Fisher**. **(ATTACHED)**

ROLL CALL

Present	Batey, Gordon, Stevens, Beck, Fisher
Absent	
Administrators	**13**
Staff	**4**
Visitors	**56**
Student Liaison	Absent (Ava Canada)

26-01-01 ELECTION OF BOARD PRESIDENT

Beck was nominated by **Stevens** to serve as President of the Board. There were no other nominations. The motion was made by **Fisher**, seconded by **Batey**, to close nominations.

Roll Call – Gordon, Stevens, Beck, Fisher, Batey
No vote necessary

26-01-02 ELECTION OF BOARD VICE-PRESIDENT

Batey was nominated by **Stevens** to serve as Vice President of the Board. There were no other nominations. The motion was made by **Fisher**, seconded by **Stevens**, to close nominations.

Roll Call – Stevens, Beck, Fisher, Batey, Gordon
No vote necessary

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SWEARING-IN OF NEW OFFICERS

Treasurer Beeman administered the Oath of Office to **President Tim Beck** and **Vice President Julie Batey**. **(ATTACHED)**

26-01-03 SET DATES AND TIMES FOR 2026 REGULAR MEETINGS

The motion was made by **Stevens**, seconded by **Batey**, to establish the 2026 Board Meeting dates as the second Monday of each month at 7:00 P.M., except:

- No July 2026 meeting.

VOTE: Yea - Beck, Fisher, Batey, Gordon, Stevens
Nay - None Motion Carried,

26-01-04 ESTABLISH SERVICE FUND FOR 2026

The motion was made by **Gordon**, seconded by **Batey**, to establish a service fund for 2026 in the amount of $6,000.

VOTE: Yea - Fisher, Batey, Gordon, Stevens, Beck
Nay - None Motion Carried,

26-01-05 PUBLIC RECORDS DESIGNEE

The motion was made by **Gordon**, seconded by **Batey**, to appoint Treasurer Beeman or his Designee as the Board of Education's Public Records Designee and authorize training by the Attorney General's Office as prescribed by House Bill 9.

VOTE: Yea - Batey, Gordon, Stevens, Beck, Fisher
Nay - None Motion Carried,

26-01-06 APPOINT LEGISLATIVE LIAISON TO THE OHIO SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOC.

The motion was made by **Stevens**, seconded by **Gordon**, to appoint **Tim Beck** as Legislative Liaison to the Ohio School Boards Association.

VOTE: Yea - Gordon, Stevens, Beck, Fisher, Batey
Nay - None Motion Carried,

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26-01-07 **REQUEST ADVANCE PAYMENT OF TAXES**

The motion was made by **Batey**, seconded by **Stevens**, to authorize Treasurer Beeman to request advance payment of all available taxes collected for the year. **(ATTACHED)**

VOTE: Yea - Stevens, Beck, Fisher, Batey, Gordon
Nay - None Motion Carried,

26-01-08 **AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF REASONABLE EXPENSES**

Upon the recommendation of Treasurer Beeman, the motion was made by **Gordon**, seconded by **Batey**, to authorize payment of reasonable expenses when a tax exemption certificate cannot be used, or its use is impractical under the circumstances.

VOTE: Yea - Beck, Fisher, Batey, Gordon, Stevens
Nay - None Motion Carried,

26-01-09 **APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES**

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

Special Meeting December 18, 2025

VOTE: Yea - Fisher, Batey, Gordon, Stevens, Beck
Nay - None Motion Carried,

26-01-10 **ADJOURNMENT**

The motion was made by **Gordon**, seconded by **Stevens**, to adjourn at **7:07** p.m.

VOTE: Yea - Batey, Gordon, Stevens, Beck, Fisher
Nay - None Motion Carried,

(Signed)_____
Tim Beck, President

(Attested)_____
Douglas D. Beeman, Treasurer