RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
WADSWORTH CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Minutes of Regular Meeting Date: February 9, 2026

The Wadsworth City Board of Education met in Regular Session on Monday, February 9, 2026, at **7:00** P.M. at James R. McIlvaine Performing Arts Center, 625 Broad Street.

ROLL CALL

Present	Batey, Gordon, Stevens, Beck, Fisher
Absent	
Administrators	**14**
Staff	**6**
Visitors	**35**
Student Liaison	Ava Canada

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

26-02-28 APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES

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

Special Meeting January 27, 2026

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

STUDENT/STAFF RECOGNITION

STUDENT	GRADE	SCHOOL
Chase Schaeufele	04	Franklin
Austin Rudolph	04	Isham
Riley Karam	04	Lincoln
Vienne Rufener	04	Overlook
Tatum Runk	04	Valley View
Antonio Willig	05	WIS
Jaimie Nagle	08	WMS
Aaron Casey	12	WHS Career-Technical
Jacob Earnest	12	WHS

ADMINISTRATIVE DISCUSSION ITEMS, PRESENTATIONS AND UPDATES

A. Presentation by Douglas Beeman, Treasurer: Financial Forecast.

B. 2026-2027 School Year Incoming Kindergarten Parent/Guardian Meeting: February 17, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.

C. Dedication of the Sandy Solaro Performing Arts Center at Wadsworth Intermediate School.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

26-02-29 Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Hill, the motion was made by **Gordon**, seconded by **Fisher**, to adopt the Personnel Consent Items A from the February 9, 2026, Regular Meeting, as presented:

A. **PERSONNEL CONSENT ITEMS**

1. Employment

(Recommendations are contingent upon each individual receiving his/her license from the Ohio Department of Education prior to the start of the 2025-26 school year, with a license effective date of July 1, 2025, if he/she does not already have the said license and successfully meet all other pre-employment requirements of the Board.)

a) Non-Teaching Employee

Lorie Craig	(eff. 02/09/26)

b) Classified Substitute

Kathleen Christensen	(eff. 02/02/26)
Tania Gabhart	(eff. 02/07/26)
Sherri Moore	

c) Supplemental Contracts

Kevin Auerbach	WIS Theater Tech Coordinator (prorated)
Jason Ball	Asst. Boys' Tennis Coach (Vol.)
Cam Brady	Girls' Lacrosse Head Coach
John Burton	Girls' Track Head Coach
Jill Carpenter	Resident Educator Mentor (prorated)
Mario Caruso	WMS Boys' Head Track Coach

Megan Dean	Girls' Asst. Track Coach
Jay Edurese	Boys' Asst. Lacrosse Coach (⅓ contract)
Eric England	WMS Asst. Track Coach (Vol.)
Amanda Gailey	Girls' Asst. Track Coach (Vol.)
Nick Hassinger	Boys' Lacrosse Head Coach
Stephanie Hofener	Resident Educator Mentor (prorated)
Zach Humrichouser	Girls' Asst. Track Coach
John Hutchinson	Tennis Head Coach
William Hutchinson	Asst. Tennis Coach (Vol.)
Cara Johnson	Asst. Tennis Coach (Vol.)
Robby Kellner	Boys' Asst. Track Coach (Vol.)
Beth Lawrence	Resident Educator Mentor (prorated)
Matthew McConnell	Boys' Asst. Track Coach
Tianna McCormick	Girls' Asst. Track Coach (Vol.)
Chris Megyes	Boys' Asst. Lacrosse Coach (Vol.)
Hailey Montgomery	WMS Girls' Asst. Track Coach
Rachel Murphy	WMS Girls' Asst. Track Coach
Sean Neely	Boys' Asst. Track Coach
Matt Pavlak	Boys' & Girls' Asst. Track Coach
Greg Pickard	Varsity Baseball Coach
Pravin Rodrigues	Boys' JV Tennis Coach
Aaron Rose	Boys' Tennis Coach
Blake Turano	Boys' Asst. Lacrosse Coach (⅓ contract)
Clay Wagner	Boys' Asst. Lacrosse Coach (⅓ contract)
Kevin Williams	WMS Asst. Track Coach (Vol.)
Chad Wolf	WMS Girls' Head Track Coach
Caitlin Krauss	Director WHS Play (5% of 14% contract)
Alex Mangano	Director WHS Play (5% of 14% contract)
Lindsay Patterson	Director WHS Play (3% + longevity of 14% contract)
Brianne Pernod	Director WHS Play (1% + longevity of 14% contract)
Mindy Workman	WHS ESports Asst. Coach (Vol.)

d) Volunteers

Rose Boyd
Taryn Busson
Katherine Darnell
Kayleigh Eckel
Sarah Nott
Abbey Pecnik
Samantha Slate
Stephanie Thompson

e) Administrator

Mike Burkhart (eff. 02/16/26)

2. Recommendation to approve unpaid leave for Ashlyn Janeczek from the end of her allowable sick leave through May 17, 2026.

3. Recommendation to approve unpaid leave for Shelly Rohrer on February 20, 2026.

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

26-02-30 Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Hill, the motion was made by **Stevens**, seconded by **Batey**, to adopt the Action Consent Items from the February 9, 2026, Regular Meeting, as presented:

B. **ACTION CONSENT ITEMS**

1. Recommendation to approve membership in the Ohio High School Athletic Association for the 2026-2027 school year. **(ATTACHED)**

2. Recommendation to accept a donation of audio equipment from SHURE, Inc.

3. Recommendation to approve the StatusGator Terms of Service. **(ATTACHED)**

4. Recommendation to approve the Hudl subscription for the period of January 30, 2026 through January 29, 2027. **(ATTACHED)**

5. Recommendation to approve the following overnight trip:

   a) High School Esports to the State Tournament at the University of Cincinnati on March 7-8, 2026.

6. Recommendation to approve the Collective Bargaining Mediation & Training Service Agreement between Path Forward Dispute Resolution Services, LLC and the Wadsworth City School District Board of Education, not to exceed five thousand dollars ($5,000.00). **(ATTACHED)**

7. Recommendation to approve the Wadsworth High School 2026-2027 Curriculum Guide. **(ATTACHED)**

8. Recommendation to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the Cuyahoga Community College District and the Wadsworth City School District for the 2026-2027 school year. **(ATTACHED)**

9. Recommendation to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the University of Akron and the Wadsworth City School District for the 2026-2027 Academic Year. **(ATTACHED)**

10. Recommendation to approve the Memorandum of Understanding 2026-2027 for College Credit Plus between Stark State College and the Wadsworth City School District Board of Education. **(ATTACHED)**

11. Recommendation to approve the Performance Contract between Pioneer Drama Service and the Wadsworth City School District Board of Education. **(ATTACHED)**

12. Recommendation to approve the Affiliation Agreement between the University of Akron and the Wadsworth City School District Board of Education. **(ATTACHED)**

13. Recommendation to approve the Business Agreement between Nightfall Entertainment, LLC and the Wadsworth City School District Board of Education. **(ATTACHED)**

14. Recommendation to approve the n2y Terms of Use, Privacy, and Confidentiality. **(ATTACHED)**

15. Recommendation to approve the Student Data Privacy Agreement for Technology Providers between n2y and the Wadsworth City School District Board of Education. **(ATTACHED)**

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

ITEMS OF THE TREASURER

26-02-31 Upon the recommendation of Treasurer Beeman, the motion was made by **Batey**, seconded by **Fisher**, to adopt the Action Items from the February 9, 2026, Regular Meeting, as presented:

A. **ACTION ITEMS**

1. Recommendation to accept the calendar year 2025 credit card rewards report per Board Policy 6423.

2. Recommendation to accept the December 2025 and January 2026 financial reports as presented and subject to audit.

3. Recommendation to approve the amended FY 2026 Four-Year Forecast and Assumptions for submission to the Department of Education and Workforce.

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

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

TIM BECK: The House and Senate recently reconvened. H.B. 661 discussion to prohibit NIL for HS and MS students.

OSBA Legislative platform has identified 4 pillars for 2026.

BOARD MEMBER ITEMS

26-02-32 The motion was made by **Gordon**, seconded by **Stevens**, to adopt the Board Member Action Item 1 from the February 9, 2026, Regular Meeting, as presented:

A. **ACTION ITEMS**

1. Recommendation to approve a Resolution authorizing the filing of an original complaint against the valuation of real property - CRS QPRT Trust Holding Company, LLC.

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

26-02-33 The motion was made by **Stevens**, seconded by **Batey**, to adopt the Board Member Action Item 2 from the February 9, 2026, Regular Meeting, as presented:

2. Recommendation to approve a Resolution authorizing the filing of an original complaint against the valuation of real property - Self Properties, LLC.

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

26-02-34 The motion was made by **Gordon**, seconded by **Stevens**, to adopt the Board Member Item Ratification of Resignations from the February 9, 2026, Regular Meeting, as presented:

B. **RATIFICATION OF RESIGNATIONS**

1.	Jennifer Garcia	Non-Teaching Employee	(eff. 02/14/26)
2.	Dave Ryder	Elementary Principal	(retire 07/01/26)
3.	Robert Lynn	Certified Teacher	(retire 06/01/26)
4.	Mike Burkhart	Non-Teaching Employee	(eff. 02/16/26)

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

AVA CANADA:

Academics

- WHS local scholarships were due on January 30. However, the Wadsworth Foundation of Scholars Application for Senior scholarships will be due on March 2.
- Last week, the sophomores received their acceptance letters into their compact programs to start in their junior year.
- Counselors will be available to finalize scheduling for the 2026-2027 school year.
- Royal Sensation is hosting Princess Academy, which is a day full of magic for the K-4th graders, where they will learn a song and dance with some of our many Disney princesses on February 14.
- Club picture day is February 27. The schedule is available in the weekly update.
- Junior class will be taking the ACT on March 5.
- Winter Formal will be February 28. The theme is Frozen In Time.
- After Prom is hosting a Casa Del Rio night on February 16, with 20% of proceeds going directly to the students.
- BINGO night will be on February 27, and tickets are now on sale. Proceeds will also go towards the after-prom, which will be at Scene 75.

Athletics

- Our Girls' Basketball team won the Suburban League Championships for the 2025-26 season. Playoffs will be in the coming weeks.
- Both Girls' and Boys' Bowling teams won the Suburban League Championships this season.

- Gymnastics.
- Boys' and Girls' Swim have Sectionals this coming Saturday.
- The Competition Cheer Team will be competing on March 22 at Big Walnut High School.
- Three wrestlers were announced as Suburban League Champions.

Arts

- Many Speech and Debate members are going to the State competition.
- Choir went to Disney and took classes in the Disney Imagination Center, where they made their own cover of the Lion King songs: Circle of Life and Can You Feel the Love Tonight.
- Choir auditions were just announced. Congratulated the new members. Hopefully, there will be another year of record-breaking attendance for Show Choir.
- The Choir Classical Concert will be on Thursday, February 12.
- The Spring Musical at the High School, Frozen, has been cast and is rehearsing for a March performance.
- Middle School successfully performed Annie last weekend with a great turnout.

JULIE BATEY: Announced District-wide art fundraiser selling tee shirts featuring the mosaic art we created by the visiting artist and Wadsworth students. Next year, 7th graders will be offered a 0-period class to take a foreign language course for HS credit.

JILL STEVENS: Recognized the WHS Bowling Teams on the League Championship and the Boys' Soccer Team for their Team Ethics Award. Also, special recognition to all the State performers at the OMEA conference.

AMANDA GORDON: Recognized the band members who participated in solo and ensemble, many of whom received superior and excellent ratings. Congratulations on their league championships Boys' and Girls' Bowling and Girls' Basketball. Also, special recognition to the HS Wheelchair Basketball Team.

TIM BECK: Elaborated on the dedication of the Sandy Solaro Performing Arts Center at WIS. Thanked Dave Ryder for his years of service.

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:

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 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, 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 avoiding 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, D, and E as listed above.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

26-02-35 The motion was made by **Gordon,** seconded by **Stevens**, to enter Executive Session at **8:11** p.m.

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION recessed at **9:52** p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

26-02-36 The motion was made by **Stevens**, seconded by **Fisher**, to adjourn at **9:52** p.m.

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

(Signed)_____
Tim Beck, President

(Attested)_____
Douglas D. Beeman, Treasurer