

**WATERFORD UNION HIGH SCHOOL
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES
Friday, October 31, 2025
Regular Meeting – 1:00 PM**

The meeting was called to order by President Schoenfeld at 1:00 p.m. Board members present at the meeting were: Gary Beck, Dennis Purtell, Mike Schoenfeld [virtual], and Doug Schwartz. Absent: Kelly Datka.

Official notice of the meeting was made by way of notifying the *Waterford Post*, and by posting at the District Office (Door #7) and at Entrance #19. The meeting was also published on the District's website and posted at the following municipal locations: Town of Dover, Town of Waterford, Village of Rochester, and Village of Waterford.

Re-Certification of the 2025-2026 School District Tax Levy

Luke Francois reported that following the Board's certification of the 2025-26 tax levy on October 27, 2025, the District received notification from the Department of Public Instruction regarding an over-levy situation stemming from a change in the revenue limit after the certification aid date of October 15.

The District proposes certifying a total tax levy of \$14,035,510 across all funds for the 2025-26 fiscal year. The levy is designed to sustain school operations, meet debt obligations, support the district's post-employment benefit trust, and fund community service programming. This levy maintains the mill rate at \$4.15 per \$1,000 of equalized property value, consistent with five of the past six years, reflecting the district's commitment to stability and predictability for taxpayers while advancing educational priorities.

There was a motion by Schwartz, seconded by Purtell to certify the 2025-26 levy of \$14,035,510. Roll call vote taken; all board members present voted aye. Motion carried.

ADJOURN FROM OPEN MEETING

There was a motion by Schwartz, seconded by Beck, to adjourn the meeting. All ayes; motion carried. This was done at 1:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Douglas P. Schwartz, Board Clerk