



BEDFORD/WALTON HILLS DEMOCRATIC PARTY

February Monthly Meeting

Tuesday, February, 2023

Zoom Video and Teleconferencing

7:00 PM

1.) CALL TO ORDER (*The Honorable Jennifer M. Allen, Acting Democratic Leader*)

2.) OPENING PRAYER (*Rev. Keith Collins, Chaplain*)

3.) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

4.) MASTER ROLL CALL OF BEDFORD/WALTON HILLS DEMOCRATIC PARTY OFFICERS AND STAFF BY LAST NAME, 2022-2026 TERM

○ **Roll Call:**

- *Allen (Associate Democratic Leader/Leader pro tempore)*
- *Barham (Chief of Staff)*
- *Collins (Chaplain)*
- *Hardy (Deputy Whip; Treasurer)*
- *McPherson (Senior Deputy Democratic Leader – Bedford)*
- *A.C.M. Mizsak (Senior Democratic City Leader) (Excused Absence)*
- *A.P. Mizsak (Sergeant-at-Arms) (Excused Absence)*
- *Parks (Whip)*
- *Weeden (Deputy Democratic Leader – Walton Hills)*

MASTER ROLL CALL OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE BEDFORD/WALTON HILLS DEMOCRATIC PARTY BY LAST NAME, 2022-2026 TERM

• **Roll Call:**

- *Allen*
- *Barham*
- *Dula*
- *Hardy*
- *McPherson*
- *A. Mizsak (Excused Absence)*
- *Parks*
- *Reese*
- *Weeden*

**MASTER ROLL CALL OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE
BEDFORD/WALTON HILLS DEMOCRATIC PARTY BY LAST NAME, 2022-
2026 TERM**

○ **Roll Call:**

- *Bedford 1-A – McPherson*
- *Bedford 1-B – K. Collins*
- *Bedford 2-A – Hardy*
- *Bedford 2-B – W. Cloud*
- *Bedford 3-A – Reese*
- *Bedford 3-B – Fluharty*
- *Bedford 4-A – Trice*
- *Bedford 4-B – Dula*
- *Bedford 5-A – Rambert (Absent)*
- *Bedford 6-A – A.C.M. Mizzak (Excused Absence)*
- *Walton Hills A – Weeden*
- *Walton Hills B – Parks*

5.) JOURNAL OF THE PREVIOUS DAY

6.) REPORT OF THE TREASURER

7.) CANDIDATE AND GUEST INTRODUCTIONS

8.) CITY COUNCIL REPORTS (3 Minutes each)

- *The Honorable Victor Fluharty, Vice Mayor of the City of Bedford, and Ward 3 City Council Representative of the City of Bedford.*
- *The Honorable Frank Smith, Ward 4 City Council Representative of the City of Bedford.*
- *The Honorable Jennifer M. Allen, Council Representative, Village of Walton Hills;*
- *The Honorable Raymond A. Weeden, Council Representative, Village of Walton Hills.*

9.) BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORTS (3 minutes each)

- *The Honorable Danielle M. Turner Birch, Member of the Bedford City School District Board of Education*
- *The Honorable Anthony A. Akins, Sr., Member and Vice President of the Bedford City School District Board of Education*
- *The Honorable Brandon Lipford, Member of the Bedford City School District Board of Education*

TIME RESERVED FOR THE LEADERS

10.) **REPORT OF THE ASSOCIATE DEMOCRATIC LEADER** (*The Honorable Jennifer M. Allen, Associate Democratic Leader*)

11.) **REPORT OF THE SENIOR DEMOCRATIC LEADER** (*The Honorable Andrew C.M. Mizsak, Senior Democratic Leader*)

12.) **OLD BUSINESS**

12.01: **Resolution No. 2022-____** (*Introduced by Senior Democratic Leader Andrew Mizsak and Associate Democratic Leader Jennifer M. Allen*) **A Resolution Adopting the Core Beliefs of Democrats 101.** First Reading. To be referred to the Committee of the Whole.

12.02: **DISCUSSION** – Relative to the efforts of the Organization known as “Move to Amend, and subsequent resolution.” This shall also be referred to the following committees: Issues Advocacy, Government Oversight; and Local Elected Officials Caucus.

13.) **NEW BUSINESS**

13.01: **Resolution No. 2023-001** (*Introduced by the Senior Democratic Leader, Mr. A.C.M. Mizsak*) **A Resolution Conferring a William L. Allen Distinguished Service Award upon The Honorable Jimmy Carter and declaring an emergency.** First reading.

14.) **ANNOUNCEMENT OF EVENTS, COMMITTEES, CAUCUSES, AND ACTIVITIES**

14.01: **Announcement of Meetings of Governmental Bodies:**

Bedford City Council:
Monday, March 6, 2023
8:00 PM

Walton Hills Village Council:

Bedford Board of Education:

14.02: **Announcement of Committee Meetings, Caucus Meetings, Fundraisers, and other Campaign Events.**

a.) **BDA**
Week of March 13, 2023
TBD

b.) Campaign Events:

c.) Special Events

Inaugural Edwina F. Reese Neighbor Walk
Saturday, April 29, 2023
9:30 AM

d.) Fundraiser

BWHDP “All Hands on Deck” Fundraiser
Sunday, April 30, 2023
Danspot
\$25.00 per person

e.) BWHDP Executive Committee (A. Mizensak, Chair)

f.) CCDP Executive Committee:

BEDFORD MEMBERS ONLY

In the matter of the endorsement of a candidate for Judge of the
Bedford Municipal Court
Sunday, March 12, 2023
4:00 PM
Zoom

g.) Central Committee (E. Reese, Chair)

h.) Rules and Reference Committee (J. Allen, Chair)

i.) Issues Advocacy Committee (B. Parks, Chair)

j.) Finance Committee (J. Hardy, Chair)

k.) Campaign Committee (A. Mizensak, Chair)

(Mizensak, Chair; Parks, Vice Chair; Barham; McPherson)

Tuesday, March 7, 2023

7:30 PM

Leader’s Residence

l.) Emergency Operations Committee (J. Allen, Chair)

a. Thursdays, 7:00 PM, as needed.

14.03: **Announcement of the next Regular Meeting of the Bedford/Walton Hills Democratic Party:**

March Regular Meeting

Tuesday, March 28, 2022

7:00 PM

In Person (Location TBA)

- 15.) **EXECUTIVE SESSION – Personnel** (Pursuant to Section 121.22(g)(1) of the Ohio Revised Code, relative to “the election... of a public official.) Members of the Executive Committee only.
- 16.) **MOTION TO ADJOURN** (to be made by the Associate Democratic Leader or the Senior Deputy Leader)
- 17.) **ADJOURNMENT**

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Attachment #1
Bedford/Walton Hills Democratic Party
APPROVED
Tuesday, November 22, 2022

THE BEDFORD/WALTON HILLS DEMOCRATIC PARTY

2023 Meeting and Events Calendar

*As Recommended by the Senior Democratic Leader and Associate Democratic Leader
Tuesday, November 22, 2023*

NOTE 1: DECEMBER 2022

~~1 – Thursday – 12:01 AM: 2023 BWHDP Candidate Screening Opens~~

~~22 – Thursday – 5:00 PM: BWHDP Winter Recess until 8:00 AM, Tuesday, January 3, 2023.~~

JANUARY, 2023

~~3 – Tuesday: RETURN FROM WINTER RECESS – 8:00 AM~~

~~3 – Tuesday: 2023 Candidates for Office may schedule their pre-screening interviews with the Senior Democratic Leader/Associate Democratic Leader/Chief of Staff.~~

~~5 – Friday at 5:00 PM until 8 – Monday at 8:00 AM: Political Activities Blackout in Remembrance of January 6, 2021, Attack on the United States Capitol.~~

~~DATE TBD: January 16 – 28, 2023 – Bedford Democratic Alliance Meeting~~

~~20 – Friday. Acting Leader Assigned beginning at 4:00 PM through 8:00 AM, Monday, January 23, 2023. (Cleveland Guardians Event; Acting Leader Anne McPherson/Acting Assistant Leader Councilman Raymond A. Weeden)~~

~~24 – Tuesday: January Regular Meeting. 7:00 PM. Location TBD~~

~~31 – Tuesday: Deadline for 2023 Candidates to Declare Intent to Seek BWHDP Endorsement. 5:00 PM.~~

FEBRUARY, 2023

~~1 – Wednesday: 2024 BWHDP Candidate Screening Process Opens at 12:01 AM. 2024 (Presumptive) Candidates for Office may schedule their pre-screening interviews with the Senior Democratic Leader/Associate Democratic Leader/Chief of Staff.~~

~~23 – Thursday. Acting Leader Assigned beginning at 12:00 PM through 8:00 AM, Thursday, March 2, 2023. (SDL Mizzak out of state. Acting Leader Jennifer M. Allen/Acting Assistant Leader Vice Mayor Victor Fluharty)~~

~~28 – Tuesday: February Regular Meeting. 7:00 PM. Location TBD.~~

MARCH, 2023

1 – Wednesday: 2023 Candidates for Office may schedule their BWHDP Executive Screening Panels with the Senior Democratic Leader.

DATE TBD: March 13 – 25, 2023 – Bedford Democratic Alliance Meeting

28 – Tuesday: March Regular Meeting. 7:00 PM. Location TBD.

31 – Friday: Deadline for 2023 Candidates to have had their pre-screening interviews with the Senior Democratic Leader/Associate Democratic Leader/Chief of Staff. 5:00 PM.

APRIL, 2023

Advocacy Day(s) TBD. Ohio Statehouse.

Spring Fundraiser TBD

6 – Thursday. Acting Leader Assigned beginning at 5:00 PM through 8:00 AM, Monday, April 10, 2023. (Cleveland Guardians Homestand; Acting Leader Raymond A. Weeden/Acting Assistant Leader Barbara Parks)

21 – Friday. Acting Leader Assigned beginning at 12:00 PM through 8:00 AM, Monday, April 24, 2023. (Cleveland Guardians Homestand; Acting Leader Barbara Parks/Acting Assistant Leader John Hardy)

25 – Tuesday: April Regular Meeting. 7:00 PM. Location TBD.

MAY, 2023

Advocacy Day(s) TBD. Ohio Statehouse.

DATE TBD: Week of May 8 – 13 – Bedford Democratic Alliance Meeting.

5 – Friday. Acting Leader Assigned beginning at 12:00 PM through 8:00 AM, Monday, May 8, 2023. (Cleveland Guardians Homestand; Acting Leader John Hardy/Acting Assistant Leader Edwina Reese)

6 – Saturday. Inaugural Edwina F. Reese “Neighbor Walk.” 9:00 AM. Launch from Senior Leader Mizsak’s House. Cookout lunch at 1:00 PM.

12 – Friday. Acting Leader Assigned beginning at 12:00 PM through 8:00 AM, Monday, May 15, 2023. (Acting Leader Patrick Barham/Acting Assistant Leader Edwina Reese)

23 – Tuesday. May Regular Meeting. 7:00 PM. Location TBD.

26 – Friday. Watch Officer Assigned beginning at 12:00 PM through 8:00 AM, Saturday, May 27, 2023. (Cleveland Guardians Homestand; Watch Officer: Michael Rambert)

26 – Friday. BWHDP Closed for Memorial Day Holiday. 3:00 PM.

27 - Saturday. BWHDP Closed for Memorial Day Holiday. Watch Officer Assigned from 8:00 AM, Saturday, May 27, 2023 through 8:00 AM, Sunday, May 28, 2023. (Cleveland Guardians Homestand; Watch Officer Renee Dula)

28 – Sunday. BWHDP Closed for Memorial Day Holiday. Watch Officer Assigned from 8:00 AM, Sunday, May 28, 2023 through 8:00 AM, Monday, May 29, 2023. (Cleveland Guardians Homestand; Watch Officer John Hardy)

28 – Sunday. Political Activities Blackout in Honor of Memorial Day beginning at 5:00 PM, until 8:00 AM, Tuesday, May 30, 2023.

29 – Monday. BWHDP Closed for Memorial Day Holiday. Watch Officer Assigned from 8:00 AM, Monday, May 29, 2023 through 8:00 AM Tuesday, May 30, 2023. (Watch Officer Anne McPherson)

30 – Tuesday. BWHDP Re-Opens at 8:00 AM.

31 – Wednesday. Deadline for 2023 Candidates to have had their BWHDP Executive Committee Screening Panel. 9:30 PM.

31 – Wednesday. Deadline for 2024 Candidates to have had their pre-screening interviews with the Senior Democratic Leader/Associate Democratic Leader/Chief of Staff. 5:00 PM.

JUNE, 2023

Advocacy Day(s) TBD. Ohio Statehouse.

Possible Lake County Captains/Akron RubberDucks Fundraiser & Social Event

9 – Friday. Acting Leader Assigned beginning at 12:00 PM through 8:00 AM, Monday, June 12, 2023. (Cleveland Guardians Homestand; Acting Leader Jennifer M. Allen/Acting Assistant Leader Milan Vrzic)

23 – Friday. Acting Leader Assigned beginning at 12:00 PM through 8:00 AM, Monday, June 26, 2023. (Cleveland Guardians Homestand; Acting Leader Edwina Reese/Acting Assistant Leader Michael Rambert)

27 – Tuesday. Annual Picnic and Awards Ceremony/June Regular Meeting/State of the Party Address. 6:00 PM. Egbert Picnic Shelter, Cleveland Metroparks – Bedford Reservation.

27 – Tuesday. Summer Recess upon adjournment of June Regular Meeting until Tuesday, August 1, 2023, at 8:00 AM.

JULY, 2023

4 – Tuesday. Bedford-Bedford Heights 4th of July Parade. 9:00 AM. Assemble at Senior Leader Mizzak's House.

7 – Friday. Acting Leader Assigned beginning at 12:00 PM through 8:00 AM, Monday, July 10, 2023. (Cleveland Guardians Homestand; Acting Leader Renee Dula/Acting Assistant Leader Keith Collins)

21 – Friday. Acting Leader Assigned beginning at 12:00 PM through 8:00 AM, Monday, July 24, 2023. (Cleveland Guardians Homestand; Acting Leader Raymond A. Weeden/Acting Assistant Leader Anne McPherson)

AUGUST, 2023

1 - Tuesday: BWHDP Executive Committee Screening Panels for 2024 Candidates begin.

4 – Friday. Acting Leader Assigned beginning at 12:00 PM through 8:00 AM, Monday, August 7, 2023. (Cleveland Guardians Homestand; Acting Leader Anne McPherson/Acting Assistant Leader John Hardy)

8 – Tuesday. Acting Leader Assigned beginning at 8:00 AM through 8:00 AM, Monday, August 14, 2023. (SDL Mizzak detailed to the Cuyahoga County Fair; Acting Leader Jennifer M. Allen/Acting Assistant Leader Tony Longino-Thomas)

8 – Tuesday at 12:00 PM through 10:00 PM, Sunday, August 13, 2023. Cuyahoga County Fair. Cuyahoga County Fairgrounds.

- Tuesday, August 8, 2023: 12:00 PM – 10:00 PM
- Wednesday, August 9, 2023: 12:00 PM – 10:00 PM
- Thursday, August 10, 2023: 12:00 PM – 10:00 PM

- Friday, August 11, 2023: 12:00 PM – 10:00 PM
- Saturday, August 12, 2023: 10:00 AM – 10:00 PM
- Sunday, August 13, 2023: 12:00 PM – 10:00 PM

11 – Friday. Bedford Coming Together Early Bird Events

12 – Saturday. Bedford Coming Together Early Bird Events

13 – Sunday. Bedford Coming Together Early Bird Events

13 – Sunday. Bedford Coming Together Welcome Reception. 6:00 PM. Location TBD.

14 – Monday. Bedford Coming Together Day 1 (Bedford, Ohio). 8:00 AM – 9:30 PM.

15 – Tuesday. Bedford Coming Together Day 2 (Bedford Heights, Ohio). 8:00 AM – 9:30 PM

16 – Wednesday. Bedford Coming Together Day 3 (Walton Hills, Ohio). 8:00 AM – 9:30 PM.

17 – Thursday. Bedford Coming Together Day 4 (Maple Heights and Cleveland, Ohio). 8:00 AM – 10:30 PM.

17 – Thursday. Acting Leader (DS) Assigned beginning at 9:30 PM through 8:00 AM, Monday, August 21, 2022. (Out of State Travel for Senior Leadership; Acting Leader Michael Rambert/Acting Assistant Leader TBD)

18 – Friday. Bedford Coming Together Day 5. (Washington, DC). Overnight Train Ride until 9:30 PM.

19 – Saturday. Bedford Coming Together Day 6. (Washington, DC). 8:00 AM – 10:00 PM.

20 – Sunday. Bedford Coming Together Day 7. (Washington, DC) 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM.

22 – Tuesday. August Regular Meeting & Potluck Dinner. Egbert Picnic Shelter. 6:00 PM.

23 – Wednesday through Monday, August 28, 2022. Acting Democratic Leader – Out of State Travel for the Senior Democratic Leader. (Acting Leader Anthony Longino-Thomas/Acting Assistant Leader Renee Dula)

SEPTEMBER, 2023:

1 – Friday. Labor Day Weekend Campaign Activities.

1 – Friday. Acting Leader Assigned beginning at 12:00 PM through 8:00 AM, Tuesday, September 5, 2023. (Cleveland Guardians Homestand; Acting Leader Renee Dula/Acting Assistant Leader Victor Fluharty)

2 – Saturday. Labor Day Weekend Campaign Activities.

3 – Sunday. Labor Day Weekend Campaign Activities.

4 – Monday. Labor Day Weekend Campaign Activities.

9 – Saturday. Day of Action in Bedford and Walton Hills. Launch from Senior Leader Mizsak's House. 9:30 AM – 4:00 PM.

10 – Sunday. Political Activities Blackout in Honor of September 11th until 8:00 AM, Tuesday, September 12, 2023.

11 – Monday. Political Activities Blackout and BWHDP Closed.

12 – Tuesday. BWHDP Re-Opens at 8:00 AM.

14 – Thursday. Leader Day Breakfast. 8:30 AM. Coffee Cup.

15 – Friday. Acting Leader Assigned beginning at 12:00 PM through 8:00 AM, Monday, September 18, 2023. (Cleveland Guardians Homestand; Acting Leader Barbara Parks/Acting Assistant Leader John Hardy)

22 – Friday. Acting Leader Assigned beginning at 12:00 PM through 8:00 AM, Monday, September 25, 2023. (Cleveland Guardians Homestand; Acting Leader John Hardy/Acting Assistant Leader Claudine Trice)

26 – Tuesday. September Regular Meeting. Location TBD. 7:00 PM.

OCTOBER, 2023

6 – Friday. Voter Registration Deadline. 4:00 PM.

DATE TBD: October 16 – 28. Bedford Democratic Alliance Meeting.

24 – Tuesday. October Regular Meeting. Location TBD. 7:00 PM.

NOVEMBER, 2023

3 – Friday. Final Push Efforts. 9:00 AM – 6:00 PM

4 – Saturday. Final Push Efforts. 9:00 AM – 6:00 PM

5 – Sunday. Final Push Efforts. 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM

5 – Sunday. “No Excuses” Chicken Parmesan Dinner. 2:00 – 5:00 PM. Danspot.

6 – Monday. Final Push Efforts. 9:00 AM – 6:00 PM.

7 – Tuesday. Election Day. 6:30 AM – 7:30 PM.

22 - Wednesday. Moment of Silence In Memory of President John F. Kennedy. 2:00 PM.

22 – Wednesday. BWHDP Closed for Thanksgiving Holiday Recess. 3:00 PM. Watch Officer Assigned beginning at 12:00 PM through 8:00 AM, Thursday, November 23, 2023. (ADL Jennifer M. Allen)

23 – Thursday. BWHDP Closed for Thanksgiving Holiday Recess. Watch Officer Assigned beginning at 8:00 AM, Thursday, November 23, 2023, through 8:00 AM, Friday, November 24, 2023. (Watch Officer Michael Rambert)

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26 – Sunday. BWHDP Closed for Thanksgiving Holiday Recess. Watch Officer Assigned beginning at 8:00 AM, Sunday, November 26, 2023 through 8:00 AM, Monday, November 27, 2023. (Watch Officer Renee Dula)

27 – Monday. BWHDP Re-opens. 8:00 AM.

DATE TBD: Monday, November 27, 2023 – Thursday, November 30, 2023. Bedford Democratic Alliance Meeting.

28 – Tuesday. GIVING TUESDAY Fundraiser. All Day.

28 – Tuesday. November Regular Meeting. 7:00 PM. Location TBD.

DECEMBER, 2023

21 – Thursday. December Regular Meeting/Annual Holiday Party. Location TBD. 5:30 PM.

21 – Thursday. Deadline for 2024 (Presumptive) Candidates to have had their BWHDP Executive Committee Screening Panel. 9:30 PM.

22 – Friday. BWHDP Closed for Holiday Recess at 12:00 PM until 8:00 AM, Tuesday, January 2, 2024. Watch Officer Assigned beginning at 12:00 PM, Friday, December 22, 2023, through 8:00 AM, Saturday, December 23, 2023. (Watch Officer Edwina Reese)

23 – Saturday. BWHDP Closed for Holiday Recess. Watch Officer Assigned beginning at 8:00 AM, Saturday, December 23, 2023, through 8:00 AM, Sunday, December 24, 2023. (Watch Officer Jennifer M. Allen)

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