



Wayne Regional Educational Service Agency
Board of Education

Regular Meeting
April 17, 2019

Burger Baylor · 28865 Carlysle · Inkster, Michigan

MINUTES

A. Call to Order

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency was called to order by President Jackson in Burger Baylor, Hiram McNeelly Administration Building, 28865 Carlysle, Inkster, Michigan on April 17, 2019 at 8:45 a.m.

B. Roll Call

Present: Lynda Jackson, James Beri, Mary Blackmon, Danielle Funderburg and James Petrie

C. Pledge of Allegiance –President Jackson led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

D. Approval of Agenda

Member Petrie supported by Member Beri, moved to approve the agenda, as amended. On voice vote, the motion carried 5-0.

E. Public Participation – None.

F. President's Remarks and Board Comments

Member Blackmon spoke to:

- Reading is Learning Kickoff
- DPSCD State of the Schools Address
- Shining Light Award Recruitment

Member Funderburg spoke to:

- Reading is Learning Kickoff

Member Beri spoke to:

- STEP / Autism program that goes beyond age 26

Member Jackson spoke to:

- Governor Whitmer is taking her budget road show to downriver educators and community members in Flat Rock on Monday, April 22, 2019.
- Superintendent Nikolai Viti of Detroit Public Schools Community District gave his first State of the Schools speech.
- Mixter Institute of Transition in Lincoln Park, where students with disabilities ages 18-26 receive vocational and life skills training, has a new construction class that has been very popular.
- 2019 NSBA Conference

G. Presentation(s)

1. Burger Baylor Program

The Board received a presentation and tour from Garden City Public Schools' Burger Baylor school. Many of the Special Education processes and programs were highlighted by students

and staff members. Staff members included: Director Mary O'Neill, Teacher Kimberly Marquette, Teacher Sally McCarter, Speech-Language Pathologist Cathy Snyder, Speech-Language Pathologist Kelly Cronk, and Occupational Therapist Pam Brown

9:43 a.m. Board of Education received a building tour.

2. Assistive Technology Program

The Board received a presentation from the Wayne RESA Assistive Technology Team (WATT) showcasing the Region IV Assistive Technology Consortium's offerings. The WATT includes Assistive Technology Coordinator's: Laura Begley, Pamela Cunningham, Derrik Graves and Christine Skoglund

H. Communications - None.

I. Superintendent's Report

Deputy Superintendent, Steve Ezikian

- Website Presentation/ADA Compliance presentation by Instructional Technology Manager, Anupam Chugh and Web Instructional Design & LMS Coordinator, Mitchell Boldin
- Illuminate Product Update
- Maker S.T.E.M. Summit

Legislative Affairs, Kathleen Merry

- Governors' Budget
- Snow Days / Emergency Days
- Pre Labor Day Start
- MASB School Board Association Awards Dinner

Superintendent, Dr. Randy Liepa

- Thanked all who participated in the set-up, presentations, student involvement and tours held prior to and during this board meeting.
- MASB Awards Dinner
- Governor Whitmer's Superintendent Reception
- Haley Stevens Event
- School Funding Research Collaborative Presentations at PTA meetings
- Maker S.T.E.M. Summit

J. Consent Agenda

Member Petrie, supported by Member Blackmon, moved to approve the Consent Agenda, as amended. On voice vote, motion carried 5-0. Items include approval of:

- Superintendent's Recommendations
- Minutes from March 20, 2019 Regular Meeting
- WRESA March Check Register
- Inkster March Check Register
- Outstanding Investments, Revenues & Expenditures

HUMAN RESOURCES

171-18-19

The Board approved the following external applicant(s) for the position(s):

- Johnnie Stowers, Technical Assistant, effective April 8, 2019.
- Paige Harter, Secretary, effective April 15, 2019.
- Rebecca Williams, Bookkeeper, effective April 16, 2019.

172-18-19

The Board approved the following leave(s):

- William Heldmyer, TV Producer Director, Family/Medical Leave, effective March 11, 2019.
- Sheri Bartz, Secretary, Family/Medical Leave, effective March 12, 2019.
- Nicole Thompson, Secretary, Family/Medical Leave, effective March 27, 2019.
- Cynthia Cook, School Health Consultant, Family/Medical Leave, effective April 9, 2019.
- Deborah Szeman, English Learner Consultant, Family/Medical Leave, effective March 15, 2019.

173-18-19

The Board approved the following return from leave(s):

- Sanna Saddy, English Learner Program Facilitator, Unpaid Personal Leave, effective March 12, 2019.
- William Heldmyer, TV Producer Director, Family/Medical Leave, effective March 13, 2019.
- Sheri Bartz, Secretary, Family/Medical Leave, effective March 14, 2019.
- Jolia Hill, Manager, Family/Medical Leave, effective March 20, 2019.
- Peggy Liepa, Business Services-Business Analyst, Family/Medical Leave, effective April 8, 2019.
- Tanya Owen, English Learner Program Facilitator, Unpaid Personal Leave, effective April 8, 2019.
- Deborah Szeman, English Learner Consultant, Family/Medical Leave, effective April 8, 2019.

RESA BOARD EXPENSES

174-18-19

The Board approved the following actual and necessary expenses incurred by Wayne RESA Board members in discharging their official duties and in performing functions as authorized by the Board March 1, 2019 through March 31, 2019: James Petrie, \$234.96; Lynda Jackson, \$46.40

PAYMENTS

175-18-19

The Board approved payment to Michigan Department of Health and Human Services for the period of July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019 for the School-Based Services Medicaid Administrative Outreach Program (AOP) in the amount not to exceed \$95,000.

176-18-19

The Board approved payment of the Administrative Outreach Program Medicaid Claim reimbursement to the following local School Districts for services to Medicaid eligible Special Education students, in the amount of \$89,873.35. This amount reflects payment for quarter July 2018 through September 2018, and is determined by the Department of Health and Human Services.

DISTRICT/LEA	AMOUNT	DISTRICT/LEA	AMOUNT
Allen Park Public Schools	\$2,119.28	Melvindale-North Allen Park Schools	\$1,774.69
Crestwood School District	\$1,701.10	Northville Public Schools	\$5,550.45
Dearborn City School District	\$11,098.69	Plymouth-Canton Community Schools	\$4,907.53
Dearborn Heights School District #7	\$1,514.07	Redford Union Schools, District No. 1	\$2,815.35
Ecorse Public Schools	\$522.98	School District of the City of River Rouge	\$751.41

Flat Rock Community Schools	\$1,166.72	Riverview Community School District	\$599.06
Garden City Public Schools	\$4,531.04	Romulus Community Schools	\$1,344.49
Gibraltar School District	\$869.51	South Redford School District	\$1,093.33
Grosse Ile Township Schools	\$931.16	Southgate Community School District	\$2,336.32
Grosse Pointe Public Schools	\$4,460.39	Taylor School District	\$3,346.55
School District of the City of Hamtramck	\$1,304.95	Trenton Public Schools	\$1,949.98
School District of the City of Harper Woods	\$705.79	Van Buren Public Schools	\$1,871.11
Huron School District	\$977.22	Wayne-Westland Community School District	\$6,901.38
School District of the City of Lincoln Park	\$7,092.96	Westwood Community School District	\$1,342.99
Livonia Public Schools School District	\$5,265.78	Woodhaven-Brownstown School District	\$3,887.34
		School District of the City of Wyandotte	\$5,139.73
		Total:	\$89,873.35

177-18-19

Board approved the School-Based Services Medicaid claim final settlement payment to the following local school districts and the Act 18 Fund for services to Medicaid eligible special education students in the amount of \$3,315,514.88 for the period July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017.

DISTRICT/LEA	AMOUNT	DISTRICT/LEA	AMOUNT
Allen Park Public Schools	\$38,757.75	Melvindale-North Allen Park Schools	\$30,861.97
Crestwood School District	\$24,960.45	Northville Public Schools	\$57,497.40
Dearborn City School District	\$288,200.29	Plymouth-Canton Community Schools	\$147,509.03
Dearborn Heights School District #7	\$32,410.95	Redford Union Schools, District No. 1	\$43,647.30
Ecorse Public Schools	\$14,111.98	School District of the City of River Rouge	\$27,135.81
Flat Rock Community Schools	\$22,893.40	Riverview Community School District	\$23,979.21
Garden City Public Schools	\$36,640.80	Romulus Community Schools	\$54,125.64
Gibraltar School District	\$26,363.99	South Redford School District	\$35,635.15
Grosse Ile Township Schools	\$9,860.71	Southgate Community School District	\$44,773.71
Grosse Pointe Public Schools	\$96,879.63	Taylor School District	\$153,688.61
School District of the City of Hamtramck	\$42,584.13	Trenton Public Schools	\$22,672.65

School District of the City of Harper Woods	\$20,682.35	Van Buren Public Schools	\$63,314.53
Huron School District	\$11,940.25	Wayne-Westland Community School District	\$281,643.99
School District of the City of Lincoln Park	\$45,114.06	Westwood Community School District	\$44,104.74
Livonia Public Schools School District	\$113,810.89	Woodhaven-Brownstown School District	\$56,216.22
		School District of the City of Wyandotte	\$33,285.94
		Total:	\$1,945,303.53

LEA Direct Payment \$1,945,303.53
 ACT 18 RESA \$1,370,218.56
 Total \$3,315,522.09

178-18-19

Board approved the School-Based Services Medicaid claim initial settlement payment to the following local school districts and the Act 18 Fund for services to Medicaid eligible special education students for \$12,843,584.09 for the period July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

DISTRICT/LEA	AMOUNT	DISTRICT/LEA	AMOUNT
Allen Park Public Schools	\$133,117.64	Melvindale-North Allen Park Schools	\$117,975.17
Crestwood School District	\$125,651.57	Northville Public Schools	\$161,982.62
Dearborn City School District	\$1,298,053.74	Plymouth-Canton Community Schools	\$609,410.94
Dearborn Heights School District #7	\$124,209.51	Redford Union Schools, District No. 1	\$221,537.56
Ecorse Public Schools	\$47,775.92	School District of the City of River Rouge	\$134,445.09
Flat Rock Community Schools	\$90,584.11	Riverview Community School District	\$100,957.72
Garden City Public Schools	\$168,426.18	Romulus Community Schools	\$233,242.74
Gibraltar School District	\$106,809.75	South Redford School District	\$168,586.98
Grosse Ile Township Schools	\$34,335.33	Southgate Community School District	\$166,281.93
Grosse Pointe Public Schools	\$372,573.12	Taylor School District	\$716,847.26
School District of the City of Hamtramck	\$189,929.41	Trenton Public Schools	\$85,928.57
School District of the City of Harper Woods	\$101,244.31	Van Buren Public Schools	\$254,469.15
Huron School District	\$49,575.53	Wayne-Westland Community School District	\$1,013,498.83
School District of the City of Lincoln Park	\$242,373.15	Westwood Community School District	\$202,562.06

Livonia Public Schools School District	\$449,676.75	Woodhaven-Brownstown School District	\$288,603.66
		School District of the City of Wyandotte	\$121,038.75
		Total:	\$8,131,705.01

LEA Direct Payment	\$8,131,705.01
ACT 18 RESA	\$4,711,879.08
Total	\$12,843,584.09

CONTRACTS

179-18-19

The Board approved entering into a contract in compliance with Federal procurement requirements and Board Policy with Gwendolyn Mitchell in an amount not to exceed \$30,000 for the period September 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019.

180-18-19

The Board approved entering into a renewal contract with Discovery Education of Silver Spring, Maryland for Discovery Education video streaming building licenses and annual support in an amount not to exceed \$190,000 for the period July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020.

181-18-19

The Board approved entering into a renewal contract with Follett Software Company in Chicago, Illinois for Destiny Library Manager Software building licenses for Wayne County schools along with annual support in an amount not to exceed \$275,000 for the period July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020.

182-18-19

The Board authorized the superintendent to enter into a contract to purchase up to twenty gigabits of Internet service from Merit Network Inc. or the Michigan Statewide Education Network (MISEN), whose fiscal agent is Genesee Intermediate School District, Flint, Michigan in an amount not to exceed \$43,000 for the period July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020.

183-18-19

The Board approved entering into a new five year contract with Active Internet Technologies (dba Finalsite) of Glastonbury, CT for design and development of a new customized Wayne RESA website in an amount not to exceed \$33,000 for the May 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020 and \$13,000 for the following four years.

184-18-19

The Board approved entering into an Agreement with J. Ranck Electric, Mt Pleasant, Michigan for Wayne RESA Electrical power upgrades in the amount of \$628,815

185-18-19

The Board approved the amendment to Board Recommendation #94-18-19 to increase an ongoing contract with James Cameron to provide support for the Michigan Department of Education under the terms of the MDE-WRESA ISD Collaboration Grant in the amount of \$15,000 for the period March 1, 2019 through September 30, 2019, not to exceed \$80,000 total dollar amount for the entire life of the contract.

Contractor	Original Amount	Amended Amount
James Cameron	\$65,000	\$80,000

186-18-19

The Board approved an amendment to Board Recommendation #117-18-19 for reimbursement of allowable added costs for individual student aides employed during the 2018-2019 school year, not to exceed the amounts listed below, to the following school districts and public school academies:

LEA/PSA	Original Amount	New Amount
Dearborn (School District of the City of Dearborn)	1,743,900	1,887,197
Dearborn Heights School District No. 7	150,900	212,255
Grosse Pointe Public School System	370,300	421,861
Hamtramck (School District of the City of Hamtramck)	65,300	65,819
Lincoln Park (School District of the City of Lincoln Park)	122,900	146,697
Livonia Public Schools	2,923,800	2,955,489
Northville Public Schools	532,500	562,273
Plymouth-Canton Community Schools	2,262,600	2,676,597
River Rouge (School District of the City of River Rouge)	313,000	328,641
Riverview Community School District	53,600	64,248
South Redford School District	187,600	207,285
Southgate Community School District	448,900	504,550
Southwest Detroit Community School	0	86,815
Taylor School District	537,300	547,312
University Preparatory Academy	0	20,213
Woodhaven-Brownstown School District	483,100	537,527
Wyandotte (School District of the City of Wyandotte)	365,400	443,180
Totals	\$10,561,100	\$11,667,959

INFORMATIONAL

Retirement(s):

- Kenneth Krueger, Secretary, effective April 30, 2019.
- Evilia Jankowski, School Health/Nurse Consultant, effective June 28, 2019.

Resignation(s):

- Fatima Mirza, English Learner Program Facilitator, effective March 27, 2019.

K. Action Items:

1. Governor Whitmer's Budget Proposal Resolution

Member Petrie supported by Member Beri, moved that the Wayne RESA Board approve Governor Whitmer's Budget Proposal Resolution, as presented. On voice vote, motion carried 5-0.

2. Superintendent's Evaluation and Contract Extension

Member Petrie supported by Member Beri, moved that the Wayne RESA Board approve the satisfactory evaluation of Superintendent Randy Liepa and amend his contract to include a one-year extension through June 30, 2022, with the remainder of the terms and conditions of his contract to remain the same as the 2015-2016 contract; and that the Board authorize the President and Secretary of the Board to sign the amended contract effective July 1, 2019. On voice vote, motion carried 5-0.

3. Appointment of Associate Superintendent of Educational Services

Member Blackmon supported by Member Beri, moved that the Wayne RESA Board approve the appointment of Dr. Daveda Colbert to the position of Associate Superintendent of Educational Services, effective June 10, 2019. On voice vote, motion carried 5-0.

L. Informational Items(s)

1. Wayne RESA's Board Election Filing Deadline: May 6, 2019
2. 2019-2020 Preliminary Budget was presented by Finance Manager, Tamara Dust.

M. General Board Comments

Member Petrie spoke to:

- Oakland/Wayne ISD board member dinner - April 23, 2019
- Haley Stevens visit to Livonia / discuss IDEA Funding

Member Blackmon spoke to:

- Thank you to Kate de Fuccio, Randy Liepa and Rosalyn Shahid of Wayne RESA for their support in the NAACP Art Essay Contest.
- SEMCOG Executive Board update

N. Adjournment

Member Petrie, supported by Member Blackmon, moved to adjourn the meeting. On voice vote, motion carried 5-0. President Jackson adjourned the meeting at 12:28 p.m.

Submitted by:


Mary E. Blackmon, Secretary