



Wayne Regional Educational Service Agency
Board of Education

Regular Meeting
February 20, 2019

33500 Van Born Road · Wayne, Michigan 48184

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 the Education Center, 33500 Van Born Road, Wayne, Michigan on February 20, 2019 at 8:35 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 Beri supported by Member Funderburg, 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 Jackson spoke to:

- Dearborn Public Schools earned the National Budget Award for 2018-2019 that was given by the American School Business Officials Association.
- Congratulations to Sanjana Madap and Schruti Balla for winning 1st place in the annual Michigan Council of Women in Technology website Design Competition. They attend the Canton Achievement Charter and Plymouth Scholars schools.
- Two of Wayne County Schools are in the top 10 high school basketball rankings as of February. They are River Rouge and Detroit Cass Tech. Best of luck!
- The Ann Visgar Elementary school in River Rouge received a “met the goal” status on all 18 benchmarks they set as a Partnership school by the state of Michigan.

Member Funderburg spoke to:

- MASB/MASA Conference

Member Blackmon spoke to:

- Finance Seminar
- SEMCOG Field Task Force on Workforce Development
- Condolences to Debbie Dingell

Member Petrie spoke to:

- Washington D.C. Advocacy Conference
- John Dingell's Influence

G. Introduction of New Staff

- Pamela Cunningham - Assistive Technology Coordinator, effective January 23, 2019
- Tracy Malloy, Budget and Fiscal Analyst, effective January 2, 2019.

H. Special Presentation(s)

1. Henry Ford Academy Update

Cora Christmas, Principal and staff highlighted the following:

- Graduation Statistics / Career and College Prep
- Marshall Plan for Talent Grant
- S.T.E.A.M. / Invention Convention / US Forestry Service / Microsoft TEALS / MiSTEM Advisory Council / Partnerships
- Over-all success of the school, now in its 20th year

President Jackson requested a recess at 9:43 a.m. The meeting reconvened at 9:56 a.m.

2. Superintendent Sub Committee On Literacy Update

Mary Treece, Wayne RESA Educational Services manager and Andrea Oquist, Livonia Superintendent spoke to the following:

- The creation of the Superintendents Literacy Initiative and the commitment of local districts to this work.
- Wayne County Literacy Theory of Action
- Literacy Coaching
- Stages of Implementation / Key Considerations in Adopting a Coaching Model
- Cycle of Continuous Improvement for Sustainability
- Creating Networks in Every School
- Instructional Rounds

I. Communications - None.

J. Superintendent's Report

Legislative Affairs, Kathy Merry

- Washington Advocacy Conference
- Governors State of State message
- Snow Days Legislation proposed to address this winter
- Introduction of Upcoming Legislation
- WCASB New Board Orientation

Deputy Superintendent, Steve Ezikian

- Lane Duck Session / \$8.2M from the State of Michigan to reduce Inkster School District's debt
- Michigan State University's School Finance Report / It's tie into the School Finance Research Collaborative Report
- DPSCD Student Information System / Will transition to Power Schools

Superintendent, Randy Liepa

- School Finance Research Collaborative committee to reconvene.
- Recognize River Rouge for being on track for their Partnership Schools Program. Wayne RESA was part of the presentation to MDE.
- Attended State of State / Emphasis on Education as a priority.
- Tri County Alliance will host a Budget Boot Camp for legislatures in Wayne County focusing on how schools are funded and a review of the School Finance Research Collaborative.

K. Consent Agenda

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

- Superintendent's Recommendations
- Minutes from January 16, 2019 Regular Meeting
- WRESA January Check Register
- Outstanding Investments, Revenues & Expenditures
- Pre and Post Travel

HUMAN RESOURCES

136-18-19

The Board approved the following leave(s):

- Peggy Liepa, Business Services-Business Analyst, Family/Medical Leave, effective January 25, 2019.
- Zachary Betthausser, Part-time English Learner Program Facilitator, Unpaid Personal Leave, effective February 5, 2019.
- Daniel Kresbaugh, Student Application Business Analyst, Family/Medical Leave, effective January 28, 2019.

137-18-19

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

- Jeffrey Gnagey, Television Services Consultant, Family/Medical Leave, effective January 22, 2019.
- Steven Michael, Connectivity/Network Consultant, Family/Medical Leave, effective January 23, 2019.
- David Sword, Math Consultant, Family/Medical Leave, effective February 11, 2019.
- Daniel Kresbaugh, Student Application Business Analyst, Family/Medical Leave, effective February 11, 2019.

138-18-19

The Board approved the appointment of the following representative(s) to the Wayne County Parent Advisory Committee (WCPAC) for a three-year term. This is effective for the period February 20, 2019 through June 30, 2021.

Tiffany Edmonds	Ecorse Public Schools
Keishia Burgess	Pembroke Academy
Sharon Woodson	Ecorse Public Schools

RESA BOARD EXPENSES

139-18-19

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 January 1, 2019 through January 31, 2019: James Beri, \$816.87; James Petrie, \$1,603.48; Danielle Funderburg, \$4.58; Mary Blackmon, \$1,575.53

PAYMENTS

140-18-19

The Board approved payments to the following school districts, in the amounts indicated, for state-approved Career and Technical Education program equipment purchases identified and approved under 2018-19 61c(1) Designated Secondary Career and Technical Education Equipment Grant of the State Aid

Act from the Michigan Department of Education for a total amount not to exceed \$147,058 for the period July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019.

District	61c(1) Award Amount
Advanced Technology Academy	\$4,789
Dearborn Heights School District #7	\$6,042
DCTC (Huron School District)	\$39,299
Lincoln Park Public Schools	\$53,590
Livonia Public Schools	\$37,245
Melvindale-Northern Allen Park School District	\$6,093
Total	\$147,058

141-18-19

The Board approved payment in the amount of \$27,025 to the South Redford School District for reimbursement of special education legal and mediation costs.

142-18-19

The Board approved payment in the amount of \$28,210 to the Northville Public School District for reimbursement of special education legal and mediation costs.

CONTRACTS

143-18-19

The Board approved entering into a contract renewal with The Allen Law Group, in compliance with federal procurement requirements and Board Policy in an amount not to exceed \$17,500 for the period November 1, 2018 through October 31, 2019.

144-18-19

The Board approved entering into a consortium contract with AT&T, Southfield, MI for AT&T Switched Ethernet (ASE) connectivity service from July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2022.

145-18-19

The Board approved entering into a contract in compliance with Federal procurement requirements and Board Policy with EduVation Consulting in an amount not to exceed \$50,000 for the grant period October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019.

146-18-19

The Board approved entering into a contract in compliance with Federal procurement requirements and Board Policy with Beasley Consulting in an amount not to exceed \$50,000 for the grant period October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019.

147-18-19

The Board approved a contract with Sue Boblitt to provide monitoring of the IDEA Flowthrough Grant and Preschool grants and verification of new PSA IDEA allocations in the amount of \$30,000 for the period July 1, 2018, through June 30, 2019.

AGREEMENTS

148-18-19

The Board approved entering into an agreement with the Detroit Public Schools Community District to provide funding to eligible instructional staff at identified Partnership Schools in an amount not to exceed \$940,916 for the period January 28, 2019 through September 30, 2019.

149-18-19

The Board approved entering into an Agreement with Eaton Corporation, Chicago, IL for Eaton batteries (MFG# 9395-275-275-CA) for Uninterruptible Power Supply (UPS) units in an amount not to exceed \$40,000.00.

AMENDMENTS

150-18-19

The Board approved an amendment to Board Recommendation #121-18-19 to rescind entering into an agreement with Empower Battery LLC, Independence, MO, for Leoch batteries (MFG# XP12-540FR) for Uninterruptible Power Supply (UPS) units in an amount not to exceed \$35,000.00.

151-18-19

The Board approved an amendment to Board Recommendation #72-18-19 to increase the current contract with Wayne Metro Community Action Agency in compliance with Federal procurement requirements and Board Policy, from \$145,775 to an amount not to exceed \$160,922 for the period October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019.

152-18-19

The Board approved an amendment to Board Recommendation #23-18-19 with each of the following agencies and school districts for implementation of Early On activities in the amount of \$1,619,797 for the period of October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019.

Agency	Original Amount	New Amount
Chitter Chatter	\$410,000	\$529,134
Detroit Public Schools Community District	\$34,000	\$40,270
Development Centers Inc.	\$350,000	\$455,519
Grosse Pointe Public Schools	\$23,000	\$27,121
Leaps and Bounds	\$87,000	\$104,019
Wayne County Department of Public Health	\$312,000	\$410,710
Wayne Westland Community School District	\$45,500	\$53,024
Total:	\$1,216,500	1,619,797

GRANTS

153-18-19

The Board accepted the following grants for the terms, amounts and purposes noted:

Grant	Grantor	Amount	Term	Purpose
Sec 54d Early On	State Aid PA 265 of 2018	\$748,297	10/01/2018 - 09/30/2019	<i>Sec. 54d Early On</i> serves infants and toddlers from birth to 36 months with developmental delay or conditions that could lead to such delay. These funds are used to enhance the federally-funded grants to intermediate school districts

				(ISDs) under Part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), commonly known as EarlyOn.
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L. Action Items:

1. Second Reading of Amended Policy 5350 Alcohol and Drug-Free Workplace

Member Petrie, supported by Member Funderburg, moved that the Wayne RESA Board approve the second reading of Policy 5350 Alcohol and Drug Free Workplace, as presented. On voice vote, motion carried 5-0.

2. 2019 MASB Board of Directors Election

Member Petrie, supported by Member Beri, moved that the Wayne RESA Board cast a ballot for candidate: Michael Swiecki, to fill the Region 8, Group 1 seat up for election during the 2019 MASB Board of Electors election. On voice vote, motion carried 5-0.

3. 2018-2019 Wayne RESA Budget Amendment Resolution

Member Petrie, supported by Member Beri, moved that the Wayne RESA Board approve the Wayne RESA 2018-2019 Amended Appropriations Resolutions of the General, Cooperative, Enhancement Millage, Act 18, Special Education Operating, Medicaid, Capital Projects and Funded Projects Funds, as presented. On voice vote, motion carried 5-0.

4. Creative Montessori Academy Contract Amendment

Member Blackmon, supported by Member Petrie, moved that the Wayne RESA Board approve an amendment to the current charter contract with the Creative Montessori Academy Board to increase the enrollment limit from 850 to 950 students for the site at 12701 McCann Avenue, Southgate MI 48195. On voice vote, motion carried 5-0.

M. Informational Items(s)

1. Wayne RESA Board Election was reviewed by Dr. Liepa.

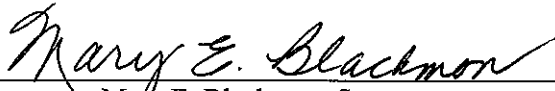
N. General Board Comments

Member Blackmon spoke to:

- Election Process

O. Adjournment

Member Blackmon, supported by Member Beri, moved to adjourn the meeting. On voice vote, motion carried 5-0. President Jackson adjourned the meeting at 11:47 a.m.

Submitted by: 
Mary E. Blackmon, Secretary