



Wayne Regional Educational Service Agency
Board of Education

Electronically Held Regular Meeting

(Governor's Executive Order No. 2020-15)

April 15, 2020

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 Petrie in the Education Center, 33500 Van Born Road, Wayne, Michigan on April 15, 2020 at 8:30 a.m.

B. Roll Call

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

Absent: Lynda Jackson

C. Pledge of Allegiance –Waived.

D. Approval of Agenda

Member Beri supported by Member Blackmon, moved to approve the agenda. Roll call vote: Beri-Yes, Blackmon-Yes, Funderburg-Yes and Petrie-Yes, the motion carried 4-0.

E. Public Participation – None.

F. President's Remarks and Board Comments

Member Blackmon spoke to:

- Participated in the SEMCOG Webinar
- Participated in the NAACP Seminar
- Art Essay Contest / Thank you to R. Shahid and K. de Fuccio for their assistance

Member Funderburg spoke to:

- Participated in the SEMCOG Webinar

Member Petrie spoke to:

- Thank you to WRESA Staff

G. Communications - None.

H. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent, Dr. Randy Liepa

- Recognition to the WRESA Staff for their support of local districts during the health crisis. Local districts have expressed their appreciation on many occasions.
- WRESA Operations – Tracey Wright highlighted current practices at the RESA facility to be in compliance with the state “Stay-at Home” executive order.
- Executive Action on K12 School Closure for 2019-2020 School Year Summary – Dr. Liepa highlighted the executive order to close school for the rest of the year and the requirement that school to continue through the normal year end in all schools by providing learning to students while they are home (remote learning). He also covered a variety of other waivers and issues around implementing the order.

- Continuity of Learning Plan Summary – Dr. Liepa highlighted the progress districts have made to put together their plan to continue “remote learning” for the students; how many plans have been submitted and approved by RESA to date.
- Weekly Wayne County Superintendent’s Meetings – Dr. Liepa highlighted that he and Superintendents are meeting weekly to support each other and plan for providing school now and into the future.
- Wayne County Special Education Compliance – Dr. Liepa and Karen Howey updated the board on special education issues related to the new “remote learning” environment.

Steve Ezikian, Deputy Superintendent

- Meeting Federal requirements for Extended Leaves
- Jolia Hill, Manager, PSA, McKinney Vento Homeless Education and Title I, has developed a hotline for the homeless
- WRESA Roofing project is almost completed

Tracey Wright, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources

- Thank you to Bargaining Unit support
- Weekly WCNPA Meetings with local district HR directors are occurring to support them

Michael Latvis, Executive Director of Legislative Affairs

- Provided the details for the federal stimulus funding that is coming - Education Stabilization Fund

Kurt Rheume, Executive Director of Information Technology Solutions

- Cyber Security Heightened Awareness

Daveda Colbert, Associate Superintendent, Educational Services

- Great Work Educational Services – written report provided to the board
- Disaster Relief Childcare Update

I. Consent Agenda

Member Beri, supported by Member Funderburg, moved to approve the Consent Agenda, as presented.

Roll call vote: Beri-Yes, Blackmon-Yes, Funderburg-Yes, Petrie-Yes, the motion carried 4-0.

Items include approval of:

- Superintendent's Recommendations
- Minutes from March 25, 2020 Regular Meeting
- WRESA February Check Register
- Inkster March Check Register
- Outstanding Investments, Revenues & Expenditures

169-19-20

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

- Mary Bamrick, Secretary, effective March 23, 2020.

170-19-20 The Board approved the following leave(s):

- Gayla Bates, Bookkeeper, Family/Medical Leave, effective March 4, 2020.
- Sheri Bartz, Secretary, Intermittent Family/Medical Leave, effective March 5, 2020; March 10; and March 13, 2020.
- Shahna Currie, Career Counselor, Intermittent Family/Medical Leave, effective March 9-11, 2020; March 16-18, 2020; and March 23-25, 2020.

- Nandini Vaishnav, Finance and Budget Director Residency, Family/Medical Leave, effective April 13, 2020.

171-19-20

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

- Gayla Bates, Bookkeeper, Family/Medical Leave, effective March 9, 2020.
- Michelle Boury, Business Services-Business Analyst, Family/Medical Leave, effective March 16, 2020.

172-19-20

The Board approved the following non-renewal of administrative employment contract:

- Nandini Vaishnav, Finance and Budget Director Residency, effective June 30, 2020.

173-19-20

The Board approved the purchase of 75 Brigance IED III Standardized Assessment kits and 3000 protocols to enable evaluation of Wayne County infants and toddler at risk for Early On eligibility. The cost of this purchase not to exceed \$39,900.60.

174-19-20

The Board approved the purchase of materials from Into the Wind Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$75,000 for the period of January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2021.

175-19-20

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 \$128,752.30.

DISTRICT/LEA	AMOUNT	DISTRICT/LEA	AMOUNT
Allen Park Public Schools	\$2,630.37	Melvindale-North Allen Park Schools	\$2,267.73
Crestwood School District	\$2,471.91	Northville Public Schools	\$8,196.06
Dearborn Heights School District #7	\$2,548.07	Plymouth-Canton Community Schools	\$6,938.93
Dearborn City School District	\$12,343.11	Redford Union Schools, District No. 1	\$4,955.37
Ecorse Public Schools	\$1,395.41	School District of the City of River Rouge	\$689.55
Flat Rock Community Schools	\$2,054.04	Riverview Community School District	\$841.97
Garden City Public Schools	\$6,521.95	Romulus Community Schools	\$923.41
Gibraltar School District	\$1,271.19	South Redford School District	\$2,466.30
Grosse Ile Township Schools	\$1,611.10	Southgate Community School District	\$3,315.84
Grosse Pointe Public Schools	\$6,987.13	Taylor School District	\$3,707.67
School District of the City of Hamtramck	\$2,093.12	Trenton Public Schools	\$3,403.23

School District of the City of Harper Woods	\$856.71	Van Buren Public Schools	\$2,859.52
Huron School District	\$1,670.33	Wayne-Westland Community School District	\$12,070.74
School District of the City of Lincoln Park	\$8,787.51	Westwood Community School District	\$1,720.14
Livonia Public Schools School District	\$8,475.44	Woodhaven-Brownstown School District	\$6,059.76
		School District of the City of Wyandotte	\$6,618.69
		TOTAL:	\$128,752.30

176-19-20

The Board approved payment of 2019-2020 Section 107 grant funds to the following Intermediate School Districts, in the amounts indicated, for Prosperity Region 10 grant activities, as required, under Section 107 of the State Aid Act from the Workforce Development Agency for a total amount not to exceed \$139,656 for the period July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020:

District	Amount
Oakland Schools	\$79,051.00
Macomb Intermediate School District	\$60,605.00
Total	\$139,656.00

177-19-20

The Board approved entering into a contract renewal 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, 2020 through June 30, 2021.

178-19-20

The Board approved entering into a contract renewal with Follett Software Company in Chicago, IL 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, 2020 through June 30, 2021.

179-19-20

The Board approved an amendment to Board Recommendation #11-19-20 payment of 2019-20 Section 107 allocable amounts to the following school districts, in the amounts indicated, for Region 10 grant activities identified and approved under Section 107 of the State Aid Act from the Workforce Development Agency for a total amount not to exceed \$11,779,486 for the period July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020:

County	District	Original Amount	Updated Amount
Macomb	Chippewa Valley Schools	\$209,970	\$209,970
Macomb	Lake Shore Public Schools (Macomb)	\$219,727	\$219,727
Macomb	L'Anse Creuse Public Schools	\$229,032	\$229,032
Macomb	Utica Community Schools	\$1,357,635	\$1,357,635
Macomb	Warren Consolidated Schools	\$291,631	\$291,631
Macomb	Warren Woods Public Schools	\$233,247	\$233,247

Oakland	Birmingham Public Schools	\$143,186	\$143,186
Oakland	Ferndale Public Schools	\$544,596	\$619,844
Oakland	Pontiac City School District	\$62,140	\$62,140
Oakland	School District of the City of Royal Oak	\$383,690	\$385,783
Oakland	Novi Community School District	\$243,673	\$243,673
Oakland	Troy School District	\$707,757	\$707,757
Oakland	West Bloomfield School District	\$200,312	\$200,312
Oakland	Farmington Public School District	\$177,767	\$177,767
Oakland	Huron Valley Schools	\$139,239	\$139,239
Oakland	Rochester Community School District	\$282,274	\$282,274
Oakland	Walled Lake Consolidated Schools	\$130,046	\$130,046
Wayne	Detroit Public Schools Community District	\$1,416,926	\$1,416,926
Wayne	Dearborn City School District	\$2,139,948	\$2,139,948
Wayne	Hamtramck, School District of the City of	\$606,246	\$606,246
Wayne	Livonia Public Schools School District	\$383,576	\$383,576
Wayne	Plymouth-Canton Community Schools	\$250,870	\$250,870
Wayne	Romulus Community Schools	\$257,624	\$257,624
Wayne	Southgate Community School District	\$723,701	\$723,701
Wayne	Wayne RESA	\$444,673	\$367,332
2093 Total		\$11,779,486	\$11,779,486

180-19-20

The Board approved an amendment to Board Recommendation #10-19-20 to the following ISD and districts, in the amounts indicated, for Region 25 grant activities identified as approved under the federal Carl D. Perkins grant funds from the Michigan Department of Education for a total amount not to exceed \$2,971,894 for the period of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020:

ISD/DISTRICT	Current Amount	Updated Amount
Allen Park Public Schools	\$45,132	\$54,364
Bedford Public Schools	\$78,999	\$87,006
Chandler Park	\$33,192	\$36,586
Dearborn Heights School District #7	\$106,501	\$117,342
Dearborn Public Schools	\$197,419	\$222,178
Garden City Public Schools	\$77,727	\$77,727
Hamtramck School District	\$73,086	\$73,086
Harper Woods	\$15,430	\$21,654
Huron – DCTC	\$443,823	\$488,881
Jefferson Schools	\$40,497	\$44,616
Lincoln Park School District	\$72,786	\$80,224
Livonia Public Schools	\$258,292	\$284,547

Melvindale Public Schools	\$79,491	\$87,629
Monroe ISD	\$75,338	\$82,987
Monroe Public Schools	\$115,036	\$115,036
Plymouth-Canton Community Schools	\$183,252	\$183,252
Romulus Community Schools	\$83,543	\$92,040
Taylor School District	\$156,513	\$156,513
Van Buren Public Schools	\$56,489	\$62,241
Wayne-Westland Community Schools	\$296,480	\$331,288
Wayne RESA	\$482,868	\$272,697
TOTAL ISD and District Perkins Grant	\$2,971,894	\$2,971,894

181-19-20

The Board approved an amendment to Board Recommendation #14-19-20 to increase the payment to the Tri-County Alliance for Public Education for 2019-20 dues and supplemental funding and support costs from an amount not to exceed \$97,332.04 to an amount not to exceed \$107,332.04.

182-19-20

The Board approved an amendment to Board Recommendation #232-18-19 to increase contract amount to GPS Solutions, LLC (GPS), Farmington Hills, MI, to provide Title 1 Supplemental Instruction Services to Private, Non-Public Schools within the boundaries of the Detroit Public Schools Community District, from \$1,868,055 to \$2,616,681 for the period September 1, 2019 to August 30, 2020.

183-19-20

The Board approved an amendment to Board Recommendation #101-19-20 to allocate funds directly to New Paradigm Loving Academy instead of Detroit Edison Public School Academy effective October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020.

184-19-20

The Board approved an amendment to Board Recommendation #27-19-20 entering into written agreements with the following local public school academies for utilization of IDEA Flowthrough funds for the period of July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2021.

PSA	Original Amount	Amended Amount
Distinctive College Prep.	\$67,352	\$108,000
Pembroke Academy	\$29,380	\$30,676
New Paradigm College Prep.	\$14,676	\$28,676
Total	\$111,408	\$167,352

185-19-20

The Board approved an amendment to Board Recommendation #113-19-20 for reimbursement of allowable added costs for individual student aides employed during the 2019-2020 school year

to the following local school districts and public school academies, not to exceed the amounts listed below.

LEA/PSA	ORIGINAL AMOUNT	AMENDED AMOUNT
Allen Park Public Schools	\$120,700	\$130,275
Dearborn Public Schools	\$2,037,700	\$2,439,180
Detroit Public Schools Community District	\$614,400	\$1,055,914
Garden City Public Schools	\$321,700	\$334,135
Grosse Pointe Public Schools	\$394,100	\$422,116
Lincoln Park, School District of the City of	\$243,900	\$253,790
Livonia Public Schools	\$2,619,500	\$2,654,429
Northville Public Schools	\$492,100	\$509,072
Plymouth-Canton Community Schools	\$2,182,900	\$2,227,569
Romulus Community Schools	\$52,100	\$82,089
South Redford School District	\$215,600	\$259,315
Southgate Community School District	\$465,800	\$477,416
Taylor School District	\$482,800	\$538,216
Wayne-Westland Community School District	\$842,300	\$1,051,006
Woodhaven-Brownstown School District	\$558,400	\$675,575
Barber Preparatory Academy	\$0	\$29,142
Creative Montessori Academy	\$0	\$10,061
Detroit Collegiate Academy	\$0	\$19,514
Detroit Leadership Academy	\$0	\$23,231
Hanley International Academy	\$0	\$12,326
Henry Ford Academy	\$0	\$21,093
Jaylen Rose Academy	\$0	\$20,816
Plymouth Educational Center	\$0	\$29,905
Weston Preparatory Academy	\$0	\$15,829
Total	\$11,644,000	\$13,292,012

J. Action Item(s):

1. Withdrawal from the Adair Lawsuit against the State of Michigan

Member Blackmon supported by Member Funderburg, moved that the Wayne RESA Board withdraw as a plaintiff in the Adair Lawsuit, effective immediately, and authorize the superintendent to take all appropriate actions to effect the withdrawal. Roll call vote: Beri-Yes, Blackmon-Yes, Funderburg-Yes, Petrie-Yes, the motion carried 4-0.

2. COVID-19 Legislation

Member Beri supported by Member Blackmon, moved that the Wayne RESA Board approve the Families First Coronavirus Response Act resolution in compliance with COVID-19 Legislation, as presented. Roll call vote: Beri-Yes, Blackmon-Yes, Funderburg-Yes, Petrie-Yes, the motion carried 4-0.

K. Adjournment

Member Beri supported by Member Blackmon, moved to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Beri-Yes, Blackmon-Yes, Funderburg-Yes, Petrie-Yes, the motion carried 4-0. President Petrie adjourned the meeting at 9:55 a.m.

Submitted by: 
Danielle Funderburg, Secretary