

Wayne Regional Educational Service Agency Board of Education

# Electronically Held Board Study Session May 5, 2020

33500 Van Born Road · Wayne, Michigan 48184 **MINUTES** 

### A. Call to Order

The Study Session 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 May 5, 2020 at 5:02 p.m.

#### B. Roll Call

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

# C. Approval of Agenda

Member Beri supported by Member Blackmon, moved to approve the agenda, as presented. Roll call vote: Beri-Yes, Blackmon-Yes, Funderburg-Yes, Jackson-Yes and Petrie-Yes, the motion carried 5-0.

# **D. Public Participation** – None.

# E. 2020-2021 Preliminary Budget Update

- Randy Liepa, Superintendent and Steve Ezikian, Deputy Superintendent for Administrative Services and Finance, reviewed the over-all recommendations. Because of the uncertainty around tax revenues related to the health crisis, the budget was based on current year revenues. It was outlined that when we learn more about revenues, we will bring a budget adjustment back to the Board. Dr. Liepa highlighted that because of good budget planning by the board in past years, RESA is in a financial position to continue current levels of service, and then adjust expenditures if needed down the road. We will monitor the budget projections regularly and bring back any adjustments on a timely basis.
- Tamara Dust, Director of Finance and Medicaid, reviewed the projections for each of the different funds based on the assumptions highlighted and staff answered questions from the Board. Mrs. Dust also reviewed the timeline for budget review and approval for our districts and the Board.

## F. Superintendent Discussion Items

- 1. Other
  - a. Enough districts have passed resolutions to bring forward a ballot proposal to renew the current enhancement millage this November.
  - b. Current remote learning is occurring in our districts, as required under executive order. He also shared that planning has begun with districts for different learning possibilities next fall and highlighted the importance for our state to receive federal stimulus funds in order to maintain essential services such as education.
  - c. We are still under "stay at home" working conditions for our staff, under the guidelines we have shared previously.

#### G. Adjournment

Member Beri supported by Member Jackson, moved to adjourn meeting. Roll call vote: Beri-Yes, Blackmon-Yes, Funderburg-Yes, Jackson-Yes and Petrie-Yes, the motion carried 5-0. President Petrie adjourned the meeting at 6:10 p.m.

Submitted by: Danielle Funderburg, Secretary