



Wayne Regional Educational Service Agency
Board of Education

Virtually Held Regular Meeting
(SB No. 1108)

November 11, 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 Blackmon in the Wayne RESA, location of 33500 Van Born Road, Wayne, Michigan (held virtually) on November 11, 2020 at 8:30 a.m.

B. Roll Call

Present: James Beri (Allen Park, Michigan), Mary Blackmon (Detroit, Michigan), Danielle Funderburg (Romulus, Michigan) and James Petrie (Northville, Michigan)
Absent: Lynda Jackson

C. Approval of Agenda

Member Petrie supported by Member Beri, moved to approve the agenda, as amended. Removed Introduction of New Staff. Roll call vote: Beri-Yes, Blackmon-Yes, Funderburg-Yes, and Petrie-Yes, the motion carried 4-0.

Board member Jackson joined the meeting at 8:38 am.

D. Public Participation – None.

E. President's Remarks and Board Comments

Member Petrie:

- Congratulated Dr. Liepa and the whole RESA team for the successful passage of the Wayne County Regional Enhancement Millage.

Member Funderburg:

- Attended the virtual MASB Conference. There were over 700 participants throughout the 2.5 days. Shared that although it was a little different, overall it was a good conference. Ms. Funderburg shared highlights from the sessions she attended.
- Mary Blackmon added that she had trouble getting on and off. But fortunately it was recorded and she should be able to view it later.

Member Beri:

- Melvindale-NAP will have two new board members at the table in January. In addition, the district has decided to go virtual until the first of the year, due to the increase in COVID cases in their community.

Member Blackmon:

- While Wayne County schools are still managing the current health crisis, many good things are still happening in our schools. Such as:
 - Northville High School celebrated 44 students who are National Merit Scholar semi-finalists.

- Wayne-Westland, while currently providing only virtual instruction, has placed unused school buses, with Wi-Fi hotspot, all over the community to allow students to connect to do their school work.
- River Rouge, also providing only virtual education, have safely created ways to bring students and families together for outside social emotional activities. Activities include: Movie night; STEM field trips to an Ann Arbor Art museum; Trunk or Treat activities, and a family fun fest.
- We applaud all of the things Wayne County Schools are doing for their students during these unprecedented times.
- SEMCOG had their Economic Development Task Force meeting yesterday and one of the items discussed was the problem that many households are facing with broadband issues. Hoping that we can come up with new solutions to this soon.

F. Communications - None.

G. Special Presentation(s) - Wayne RESA/Inkster Audit Report from Plante Moran

Deputy Superintendent Steve Ezikian acknowledged and commended Director of Finance and Compliance Tamara Dust for her leadership in this process and the entire finance staff for their hard work throughout the audit process.

Ms. Dust provided an overview of the annual audit process, timelines and procedures. It was also noted that Plante & Moran has issued an unmodified opinion on Wayne RESA's financial statements for the year ending June 30, 2020, which is the highest level of assurance regarding the reliability and accuracy of the financial statements that can be issued by a public accounting firm. A copy of her presentation notes will be sent to the Board for reference.

Ms. Dust introduced Laura Claeys, Partner, and Chris Kassab, Senior Manager of Plante Moran. Their presentation highlighted:

- The clean audit opinion that was issued for both Wayne RESA and Inkster Schools
- WRESA's Balance Sheet, Operating Funds Revenues and Expenditures, Act 18 Revenues and Expenditures, Funded Projects Revenues and Expenditures
- Inkster's Statement of Net Position
- Compliments to the WRESA Finance Team for the fantastic job they are doing and for the seamless transition they have made to remote operations.

President Blackmon expressed her appreciation to the auditors and the WRESA staff.

President Blackmon requested a recess at 9:41 a.m. The meeting reconvened at 9:46 a.m.

H. Superintendent's Report

Michael Latvis, Executive Director of Legislative Affairs

- It has been fairly quiet during the election season.
- Lame Duck – reiterating with Superintendents that we usually do not address the Legislature on any issues during this time. It is best to wait until the new year.
- Working with Governor's office through the K-12 Michigan Alliance to put in a recommendation for the 2022 budget – as it is looking like it may be a rough year without some sort of additional federal support. Will continue to watch and monitor.
- MDHHS Gathering & Face Masks – extended an order with a few changes which include: children ages 2 and older must wear a mask on a school bus. There is no expiration date for this order.
- 2020 General Election – briefly reviewed. There are 28 new members in the State House of Representatives with Republicans maintaining the majority; seven of them are in Wayne County.

- Working to set meetings with the new House members. Mary Blackmon asked if he could arrange a meet and greet type session for interested board members. Randy and Mike both said they would explore that suggestion. Member Beri shared that the Downriver Chamber does that and he will make sure that he shares the details with his fellow board members, when he gets them. Mike said once the committees are set-up he will work on that.

Daveda Colbert, Associate Superintendent, Educational Services

- Shared a presentation which provided an overview of the grant work going on at WRESA. The presentation included highlights on:
 - 35a Early Literacy grant for coaches (just renewed for the 2022 school year) - Mari Treece and Literacy consultants oversee this work.
 - MiSTEM Network (2 grants) - Purpose is to support STEM Education Prek-12 - Greg Johnson oversees this work.
 - Strong Beginnings - Pilot preschool program for 3 year-olds, to begin in January - Lena Montgomery and the Early Childhood will oversee this work.
 - NASA AREN - Second round of funding for this science grant related to weather - Andy Henry and Anupam Chugh oversee this work.
 - CTN – second round of funding – Maker-STEM initiative.
- The Link to this presentation will be sent to board.

Board member Jackson had to leave the meeting at 10:15 am.

Steve Ezikian, Deputy Superintendent

- COVID – MIOSHA recently released some revised rules for employers. Many thanks to Rena Corum and Rob McCoy for updating our plan to comply with the changes. A copy of the revised plan will be sent to the Board.
- Shared his appreciation for the Wayne County Health Department and all of their efforts during this Pandemic. While there have been a few bumps, they have done an outstanding job working closely with us and our local school districts in regards to complying with the legislation and following the state guidelines.
- During the Winter Break – RESA will shut down our computer systems to test them for disaster recovery.
- Thanked Rena Corum and the HR team for making all HR systems run smoothly during this time of transition without an Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources. Especially with the endless COVID work.

Superintendent, Dr. Randy Liepa:

- Annual Audit – Recognized Tamara Dust and the WRESA finance department for their overall outstanding work. Key take away's - we are handling our funding appropriately, we have the appropriate internal controls in place and we are in sound financial shape.
- Enhancement Millage – Commended the local superintendents and their grass root efforts, which were very instrumental in getting the word out to their communities about the millage proposal.
- Board operating procedures policy – Noted that he has made the discussed changes to the draft policy from the discussion at the September board meeting and will bring an updated policy to the Board for approval in December.
- At the suggestion of President Blackmon, we will send:
 - Thank You letters to the Superintendents for all of their efforts regarding the Enhancement Millage.
 - Congratulatory letters to the newly elected Board Members.

I. Consent Agenda

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

Items include approval of:

- Superintendent's Recommendations
- Minutes from October 21, 2020, Regular Meeting
- October WRESA Check Register
- October Inkster Check Register
- Outstanding Investments, Revenues & Expenditures

82-20-21

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

- Johnnie Stowers, Application Support Technician, effective October 26, 2020.

83-20-21

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

- Lavinia Guseth, Part-time English Learner Program Facilitator, effective November 5, 2020.
- Travis Reiff, Part-time English Learner Program Facilitator, effective November 5, 2020.
- Pamela Cox, Part-time English Learner Program Facilitator, effective November 6, 2020.
- Andrea Fritz, Application Support Technician, effective November 16, 2020.

84-20-21

The Board approved the following retiree(s) for rehire:

- Deborah Tidwell, Part-time Pupil Accounting Field Auditor, effective December 9, 2020.

85-20-21

The Board approved the following leave(s):

- Robert Kaminski, Application Data Analyst, Family/Medical Leave, effective September 30, 2020.
- Jennifer Munroe, Application Support Technician, Paid Sick Leave under the Families First Coronavirus Response Act, effective October 5-16, 2020.
- Aubrey Forrest, Part-time English Learner Program Facilitator, Paid Sick Leave under the Families First Coronavirus Response Act, effective October 9, 2020.
- Mary Bamrick, Secretary, Paid Sick Leave under the Families First Coronavirus Response Act, effective October 13-14, 2020.
- Zachary Betthausser, Part-time English Learner Program Facilitator, Military Leave, effective October 19, 2020.
- Danielle Holmon, Secretary, Paid Sick Leave under the Families First Coronavirus Response Act, effective October 19-30, 2020.
- Lauren Schneider, Part-time English Learner Program Facilitator, Unpaid Personal Leave, effective October 20, 2020.
- Markita Hall, Manager, Family/Medical Leave, effective October 26, 2020.
- Heidi Petit, Student Application Business Analyst, Paid Sick Leave under the Families First Coronavirus Response Act, effective October 27-30, 2020.

86-20-21

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

- Laura Begley, Assistive Technology Coordinator, Family/Medical Leave, effective October 19, 2020.

87-20-21 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

November 11, 2020 through June 30, 2023.

- Joann Goree - Detroit Public School Community District
- Iesha Brassell - Dearborn Heights School District No. 7

88-20-21

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, 2020 through September 30, 2020: Petrie - \$329

89-20-21

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 \$147,548.44 for the period of October 2019 through December 2019.

DISTRICT/LEA	AMOUNT	DISTRICT/LEA	AMOUNT
Allen Park Public Schools	\$2,717.65	Melvindale-North Allen Park Schools	\$2,252.43
Crestwood School District	\$2,878.03	Northville Public Schools	\$9,584.91
Dearborn Heights School District #7	\$2,387.58	Plymouth-Canton Community Schools	\$9,020.94
Dearborn City School District	\$14,830.00	Redford Union Schools, District No. 1	\$6,344.61
Ecorse Public Schools	\$1,264.04	School District of the City of River Rouge	\$754.51
Flat Rock Community Schools	\$1,676.48	Riverview Community School District	\$864.42
Garden City Public Schools	\$6,665.12	Romulus Community Schools	\$1,277.67
Gibraltar School District	\$1,982.10	South Redford School District	\$2,353.02
Grosse Ile Township Schools	\$1,816.34	Southgate Community School District	\$4,085.07
Grosse Pointe Public Schools	\$6,411.84	Taylor School District	\$5,464.86
School District of the City of Hamtramck	\$2,382.72	Trenton Public Schools	\$3,515.51
School District of the City of Harper Woods	\$1,004.35	Van Buren Public Schools	\$3,491.69
Huron School District	\$2,070.94	Wayne-Westland Community School District	\$15,805.51
School District of the City of Lincoln Park	\$9,712.38	Westwood Community School District	\$1,458.51
Livonia Public Schools School District	\$7,371.36	Woodhaven-Brownstown School District	\$7,154.44
		School District of the City of Wyandotte	\$8,949.41
		TOTAL:	\$147,548.44

90-20-21 Amended

The Board approved payment to Byrum & Fisk for services and expenses related to the information campaign to inform the public about the ballot proposal to renew the Wayne County Regional Enhancement millage, in an amount not to exceed \$96,500.

91-20-21

The Board approved payment to Team Cares, Inc. for funds they have received as part of a grant from the MEDC (Michigan Economic Development Corporation) that Wayne RESA acts as the fiscal agent for, disbursing approved funds to eligible grant recipients. This particular grant payment is related to a Skilled Trades Training Program they are offering, in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.

92-20-21

The Board approved a contract with Basis Policy Research to provide support for the Michigan Department of Education under the terms of the MDE-WRESA ISD Collaboration Grant in the amount of \$250,000 for the period of October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021.

93-20-21

The Board approved a contract with Holly Carruthers to provide support for the Michigan Department of Education under the terms of the MDE-WRESA ISD Collaboration Grant in the amount of \$88,443.99 for the period of October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021.

94-20-21

The Board approved an amendment to Board Recommendation #44-20-21 to amend payments of 2020-21 Deferred 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 Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Development for a total amount not to exceed \$2,269,811 for the period July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021. Please note: Dearborn Public Schools opted out of receiving 2020-21 Deferred Section 107 funds. Said funds have been reallocated to other districts who communicated an interest in additional Deferred funds. Funds were allocated based on district communicated allocation limits and the Regional funding formula.

County	District	Current Amount	New Amount
Macomb	Chippewa Valley Schools	\$32,683	\$32,683
Macomb	Lake Shore Public Schools (Macomb)	\$37,051	\$57,051
Macomb	L'Anse Creuse Public Schools	\$39,892	\$74,823
Macomb	Utica Community Schools	\$257,788	\$257,788
Macomb	Warren Consolidated Schools	\$55,991	\$55,991
Macomb	Warren Woods Public Schools	\$46,504	\$46,504
Oakland	Birmingham Public Schools	\$26,674	\$26,674
Oakland	Ferndale Public Schools	\$202,286	\$280,413
Oakland	Pontiac City School District	\$9,945	\$18,014
Oakland	School District of the City of Royal Oak	\$70,466	\$132,170
Oakland	Novi Community School District	\$55,867	\$55,867
Oakland	Troy School District	\$201,877	\$201,877
Oakland	West Bloomfield School District	\$34,644	\$34,644
Oakland	Farmington Public School District	\$32,802	\$32,802
Oakland	Huron Valley Schools	\$25,111	\$40,111
Oakland	Rochester Community School District	\$69,304	\$69,304
Oakland	Walled Lake Consolidated Schools	\$39,385	\$39,385
Wayne	Detroit Public Community School District	\$220,468	\$317,468
Wayne	Dearborn City School District	\$381,340	\$0
Wayne	Hamtramck, School District of the City of	\$112,831	\$112,831
Wayne	Livonia Public Schools School District	\$59,110	\$110,619
Wayne	Plymouth-Canton Community Schools	\$48,719	\$63,719
Wayne	Romulus Community Schools	\$53,615	\$53,615
Wayne	Southgate Community School District	\$155,458	\$155,458

Total	\$2,269,811	\$2,269,811
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95-20-21

The Board approved an amendment to Board Recommendation #80-20-21 to increase the amount indicated, for operating Great Start Readiness Programs (GSRP) in Wayne County for the following subrecipients for the period of October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021.

Table A

Previous Name	Name Changed To
Summit Academy	River Heights Academy

Table B

District/PSA/Agency	Original Amount	New Amount
Blessed Beginnings Learning Center	\$0	\$113,680
Bright Beginnings Montessori Inc.	\$113,680	\$227,360
Children First Learning Center	\$113,680	\$99,470
Childtime Childcare	\$227,360	\$341,040
Creative Kidz Learning Center	\$0	\$113,680
Education Consulting Solutions -It takes a Village	\$113,680	\$227,360
Growing Minds Learning Center	\$881,020	\$895,230
Nene's Little Angel's Daycare LLC	\$0	\$113,680
New Paradigm – College Prep	\$255,780	\$383,670
New Paradigm – Loving	\$255,780	\$383,670
The Learning Tree Child Care Center – West	\$113,680	\$227,360
The Nest Child Care Center	\$0	\$113,680
Total Amount	\$2,074,660	\$3,239,880

96-20-21

The Board approved an amendment to Board Recommendation #50-20-21 for HighScope COR Advantage, Ypsilanti, MI for assessment licenses from \$65,000 to \$70,000 for the period October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021.

97-20-21

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

Grant	Grantor	Amount	Term	Purpose
Title I Regional Assistance Grant (20-21)	MDE	\$11,280,000	10/01/2020 - 09/30/2021	A grant award to provide services and rapid improvement to identified Priority and Focus schools. Activities and support services are identified based on demonstrated needs and include but are not limited to content area/instructional coaching, School Improvement Facilitator assignment, and professional learning activities.
Sec 107.1 Adult Education (20-21)	State Aid	\$11,779,486	07/01/2020 - 06/30/2021	The Section 107 Grant supports regional adult education program activities,

				professional development, and monitoring as required by the Workforce Development Agency. Wayne RESA is the grant administrator, coordinator, and regional professional development provider for all participating adult education programs in Prosperity Region 10. The Region includes programs from Macomb, Oakland, and Wayne Counties.
Mc-Kinney Vento	MDE	\$137,926	10/01/2020 - 09/30/2021	A grant awarded to coordinate services to homeless children and youth across public school districts (LEAs, PSAs, and ISDs) serving low-income and homeless families and youth.
CTE Perkins	State Aid	\$2,730,310	07/01/2020 - 06/30/2021	The Perkins Grant supports supplemental regional, LEA and PSA secondary career-technical education program/curriculum development, professional development, and monitoring as required by the Office of Career and Technical Education, MDE. WRESA is the grant administrator, coordinator, and also provides regional activities for all participating CTE programs in Region 25.
School Bus Safety Inspection	Michigan Department of Education Section 74 of PA 342 of 2006	\$1,789,500	10/1/2020 - 9/30/2021	School buses in the State of Michigan are to be inspected annually under section 715a of the Michigan Vehicle Code, 1949PA 300, MCL and section 39 of the Pupil Transportation Act of 1990, PA 187, MCL. Funds will be transferred to Wayne RESA by the Department of Education to be passed on to the Michigan State police to fund the School Bus Inspection Program. This program is supervised by RESA's Transportation Consultant.

MiSTEM Network Region Grant	Michigan Department of Education	\$318,489	10/01/2020 - 9/30/2021	Wayne RESA has been awarded the status of Wayne County MiSTEM Network Region. The MiSTEM Region grant is the result of the acceptance of a technical proposal and is intended to be used to fund a regional director and transition activities involved in strategic planning.
MiSTEM Advisory Council Grant: NGSX	Washtenaw ISD, Fiscal agent for the Statewide Grant	\$87,744	10/01/20 - 9/30/2021	Next Generation Science eXemplar (NGSX) is designed as a professional learning system to support Next Generation Science Standards Teacher (NGSS) and Facilitator training. NGSX facilitates the learning pathways of Becoming a NGSS Teacher, supporting the shifts in teaching and learning advanced in NGSS and the Framework for K-12 Science Education. There is also now a virtual pathway for remote learning.
IDEA Flowthrough	Michigan Department of Education IDEA Part B, Section 611	\$74,006,827	07/01/2020 - 09/30/2021	The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) Part B, Section 611 Flowthrough Grants serve the purpose of providing special education programs and services to children ages three through twenty-one. These funds for the IDEA are appropriated in Section 51a of the State School Aid Act and are subject to the same funding criteria as state funded programs, except where noted. Approximately 97.5% of these funds are distributed out to constituent districts and public school academies of Wayne County.
IDEA Preschool	Michigan Department of Education IDEA Part	\$2,031,293	07/01/2020 - 09/30/2021	The IDEA Part B, Section 619 Preschool Grants serve the purpose of providing special education programs and services to children ages three through five. These funds for

	B, Section 619			the IDEA are appropriated in Section 51a of the State School Aid Act and are subject to the same funding criteria as state funded programs, except where noted. All of these funds are distributed out to constituent districts of Wayne County.
IDEA General Supervision	Michigan Department of Education IDEA Part B, Section 611	\$336,600	07/01/2020 - 06/30/2021	The IDEA General Supervision Grant supports the development and implementation of a General Supervision System that will support improvement efforts and build capacity within local districts to fulfill the responsibilities of IDEA.
IDEA Early On	Michigan Department of Education IDEA, Part C	\$1,567,378	07/01/2020 - 06/30/2021	IDEA <i>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 contract with certain school districts and agencies to provide services for families of these children.
Section 32p Early Childhood Block Grants (State)	Michigan Department of Education	\$856,775	10/01/2020 - 09/30/2021	WRESA contracts with Everybody Ready to meet the MDE requirements of the Early Childhood Block Grant. Agency certified staff provide intensive home visits to families with young children, newborns through age 3. Approximately 600 children will be served annually across Wayne County. The State grant also supports the work of the Great Start Collaborative –Wayne staff and programming. The intent and purpose of the work is to identify public sectors serving families with young children and strengthen the infrastructure to eliminate duplication of services while filling gaps in service.
Title III, Part A – Language Instruction for	Michigan Department of Education	\$359,699	7/01/2020 - 09/30/2021	The Consolidated Application supports English Learners in consortium districts and PSAs,

English Learners				K-12 and their parents attending ESL evening classes. Facilitators and EL Consultants serve approximately 2000 students annually
Great Start Readiness Program (GSRP)	Michigan Department of Education	\$52,577,000	10/1/2020 - 9/30/2021	With oversight by WRESA's Early Childhood Education Services Department, the MDE Office of Great Start provides funds to serve eligible 4 year old children in 450 preschool classrooms across Wayne County. Children attend school 4 days a week for a minimum of thirty weeks.
ISD Collaboration	Michigan Department of Education	\$400,000	10/01/2020 - 09/30/2021	WRESA (Grantee) is granted from the Michigan Department of Education (MDE) (Grantor) for reimbursement of costs associated with the Title I Statewide System of Support Program Evaluation grant with the purpose to increase student academic achievement through such strategies as improving teacher and principal quality and increasing the number of highly qualified teachers in the classroom.
ISD Collaboration	Michigan Department of Education	\$300,000	10/01/2020 - 09/30/2021	WRESA (Grantee) is granted from the Michigan Department of Education (MDE) (Grantor) for reimbursement of costs associated with the Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies. This grant is designed to help local educational agencies (LEAs) improve teaching and learning in high-poverty schools in particular for children failing, or most at-risk of failing, to meet challenging State academic achievement standards.

J. Action Item(s)

1. Wayne RESA 2019-2020 Annual Financial Report

Member Funderburg supported by Member Petrie, moved that the Wayne RESA Board receive the Wayne RESA Annual Financial Report for the 2019-2020 fiscal year, as presented. Roll call vote: Beri-Yes, Blackmon-Yes, Funderburg-Yes and Petrie-Yes, the motion carried 4-0.

2. Inkster 2019-2020 Annual Financial Report

Member Petrie supported by Member Beri, moved that the Wayne RESA Board receive the Annual Financial Report for the School District of the City of Inkster for the 2019-2020 fiscal year, as presented. Roll call vote: Beri-Yes, Blackmon-Yes, Funderburg-Yes and Petrie-Yes, the motion carried 4-0.

3. Appointment of Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources

Member Petrie supported by Member Beri, moved that the Wayne RESA Board approve the appointment of Kelly Bohl to the position of Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources, effective November 30, 2020. Roll call vote: Beri-Yes, Blackmon-Yes, Funderburg-Yes and Petrie-Yes, the motion carried 4-0.

Steve Ezikian shared background information about Ms. Bohl and welcomed her to Wayne RESA. Ms. Bohl expressed her thanks for the opportunity and shared that she was happy to be back in Wayne County.

4. One-Time Distribution of Act 18 Funds Supporting Special Education Transportation

Member Petrie supported by Member Funderburg, moved that the Wayne RESA Board authorize the distribution of Act 18 Funds in an amount not to exceed \$15,000,000 proportionally to school districts, public school academies in Wayne County who provided transportation services to students attending special education programs, in Wayne County, in the 2018-2019 fiscal year. Roll call vote: Beri-Yes, Blackmon-Yes, Funderburg-Yes and Petrie-Yes, the motion carried 4-0.

5. General Board Comments

Member Blackmon:

- Shared that she received a wonderful comment from a citizen in the Canton Community, expressing her gratitude for the millage passing.

Member Funderburg:

- Expressed her concerned about the students that are not engaging in the virtual education instruction. How are we meeting needs, especially for those students with the greatest need? Dr. Liepa mentioned that districts have a variety of processes and support activities in place. However, we know that virtual education is not the optimal way for students to learn. More reason to keep encouraging parents and the community to follow the mitigation factors, so we can get the virus under control and students back in school. Daveda shared a lot of different specific activities schools have implemented to engage students. As one example of our support, we are getting ready to upload a parent resource guide. Jim Beri added that the Downriver Guidance Center has been very helpful with their district.

6. Adjournment

Member Beri supported by Member Funderburg, moved to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Beri-Yes, Blackmon-Yes, Funderburg-Yes and Petrie-Yes, the motion carried 4-0. President Blackmon adjourned the meeting at 11:10 a.m.

Submitted by: _____



James S. Beri, Secretary