



Wayne Regional Educational Service Agency
Board of Education

Electronically Held Regular Meeting

(Governor's Executive Order No. 2020-154)

August 19, 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 on August 19, 2020 at 8:34 a.m.

B. Roll Call

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

C. Approval of Agenda

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

D. Public Participation – None.

E. Introduction of New Staff – Tracey Wright, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources

- Mary Bamrick – Secretary, effective March 23, 2020
- Kaitlyn Carpen – Secretary, effective March 2, 2020
- Dawn Waggoner – Secretary, effective February 27, 2020
- Heather Kingery – Secretary, effective March 2, 2020
- Phillaire Murray – Events System Support Coordinator, effective March 2, 2020

F. President's Remarks and Board Comments

Board members offered words of praise to Tracey Wright for all that she has accomplished for WRESA.

Member Blackmon spoke to:

- SEMCOG Virtual Exec Committee Meeting Highlights
- MAC Virtual Meeting Highlights

G. Communications - None.

H. Special Presentation(s)

1. Gallup Survey Results presented by Dr. Randy Liepa, WRESA Superintendent
 - Dr. Liepa reviewed the work around culture and climate in the organization, supported by the decades old tool created by Gallup to help identify employee engagement. He reviewed the results of the organization wide Gallup survey, and how the organization will use the data to improve its work environment and productivity.
2. Update on New Website presented by Mitchell Boldin, Web & Instructional Design Consultant
 - Mr. Boldin and staff reviewed the organization's new website, including: Goals, Timeline, Content, and Usage Statistics, what is still to be done.

I. Superintendent's Report

Steve Ezikian, Deputy Superintendent

- COVID-19 Health Departments & WRESA's Work / Return to School Roadmap 2020-21 Virtual Binder prepared for local districts by the Health Dept.
- Amendment to Superintendent's Recommendation #19-20-21. Wyandotte Public Schools was removed as this item/amount was approved last October. This will bring the total to \$1,260,560.
- Barton Malow Project Update on RESA facilities was given.

Michael Latvis, Executive Director of Legislative Affairs

- Reviewed the legislature's Return to School legislation, and the impact it will have on school districts.

President Blackmon requested a recess at 10:40 a.m. The meeting reconvened at 10:52 a.m.

Daveda Colbert, Associate Superintendent, Educational Services

She reviewed the Educational Services written report, which included:

- Early Childhood
- Great Start Readiness Program (GSRP)
- English Learner Services
- Educational Improvement
- MICIP Updates/Timeline
- Adult Education/Career Technical Education
- Career Technical Education
- Assessment and Accountability
- Fall 2020 PSAT/SAT
- Literacy
- Mathematics and Science
- MiSTEM Network
- Virtual Professional Learning Opportunities – Fall 2020

Superintendent, Dr. Randy Liepa:

- Return to School required reports were completed by all Wayne County districts.
- Enhancement Millage work continues.

J. Consent Agenda

Member Funderburg, supported by Member Beri, moved to approve the Consent Agenda, as amended. 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 July 15, 2020, Organizational Meeting
- Minutes from July 15, 2020, Regular Meeting
- Minutes from July 24, 2020, Board Workshop
- Minutes from July 25, 2020, Board Workshop
- Minutes from August 12, 2020, Special Meeting
- July WRESA Check Register
- Outstanding Investments, Revenues & Expenditures

15-20-21

The Board approved the following leave(s):

- Sharon Warren, Secretary to the Board/Mandatory Referral Coordinator, Paid Sick Leave under the Families First Coronavirus Response Act, effective July 20-27, 2020.
- Traci Osborne, Secretary, Paid Sick Leave under the Families First Coronavirus Response Act, effective August 3-6, 2020.
- Laura Begley, Assistive Technology Coordinator, Family/Medical Leave, effective August 12, 2020.

16-20-21

The Board approved the purchase of a one year VMWare maintenance and support contract with Dell Technologies, One Dell Way, Round Rock, TX for VMWare virtual server software maintenance and support, in the amount of \$32,958 for the period of October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021.

17-20-21

The Board approved the purchase of instructional and training materials from Complete Book and Media Supply, LLC in compliance with Federal procurement requirements and Board Policy in an amount not to exceed \$150,000 for the period of October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021.

18-20-21

The Board approved the purchase of personal protection equipment (PPE) as a consortium solution for Wayne county public school districts and public school academies from Green Dream International (GDI), Erie, PA for the pricing and terms received as included in their response to RFP #20-010-232. Individual school districts will complete individual statements of work based on the RFP results.

19-20-21

The Board approved additional payments of Act 18 funds for the 2017-2018 operating year, to the following school districts operating special education center programs.

Allen Park Public Schools	\$108,854	Garden City Public Schools	\$209,122
Grosse Pointe Public Schools	\$487,602	Huron Public Schools	\$52,714
Redford Union School District # 1	\$373,466	Taylor Public Schools	\$28,802
		Total	\$1,260,560

20-19-20

The Board approved Act 18 payments to school districts operating special education center programs, to be paid in ten monthly installments for estimated allowable costs, for a total amount not to exceed \$146,667,640 for the 2020-2021 fiscal year.

School District	Amount	School District	Amount
Allen Park Public Schools	\$704,893	School District of the City of Dearborn	\$10,601,889
School District of the City of Detroit	\$36,324,001	Garden City Public Schools	\$7,154,554
Grosse Pointe Public Schools	\$7,655,503	Huron School District	\$1,332,686
School District of the City of Lincoln Park	\$10,022,551	Livonia Public Schools	\$11,489,745
Northville Public Schools	\$8,361,097	Plymouth-Canton Community Schools	\$4,304,955
Redford Union Schools	\$7,183,968	South Redford Public Schools	\$339,198
Southgate Community School			

District	\$5,019,718	Taylor School District	\$3,379,292
Trenton Public Schools	\$2,559,980	Van Buren Public Schools	\$1,587,651
Wayne-Westland Comm. Schools	\$7,719,747	Westwood Community Schools	\$243,045
Woodhaven-Brownstown School District	\$3,162,324	School District of the City of Wyandotte	\$17,520,843
		Total All Districts	\$146,667,640

21-20-21

The Board approved payment to the Detroit Public School Community District for the 2019-2020 Positive Behavior Intervention Services final expense payment in the amount of \$30,236.57.

22-20-21

The Board approved a payment to the Tri-County Alliance for Public Education for 2020-21 dues and supplemental funding and support costs in an amount not to exceed \$97,250.12.

23-20-21

The Board approved a one year contract with Delta Network Services, 420 Enterprise Court Bloomfield Township, MI for maintenance and support of three FortiGate firewall appliances in the amount of \$39,192 for the period of September 20, 2020 through September 20, 2021.

24-20-21

The Board approved entering into a contract with Barb Flis, founder of Parent Action for Healthy Kids, for consultation services regarding sexuality education and HIV/AIDS education in accordance with Michigan law to out Wayne County School district stakeholders in the amount of \$31,500 for the period of October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021.

25-20-21

The Board approved a 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 \$42,500 for the period of October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020.

26-20-21

The Board approved a contract with Wexford-Missaukee ISD to provide support for the Michigan Department of Education under the terms of the MDE-WRESA ISD Collaboration Grant in the amount of \$25,000, for the period of October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020.

27-20-21

The Board approved a contract with Palmer Moving & Storage Company, Inc. (Palmer), Warren, MI for moving and storage services in an amount not to exceed \$100,000 for the period of September 1, 2020 through August 31, 2022.

28-20-21

The Board approved entering into contracts with the following vendors serving as Contracted Coaches and Project Service Providers to provide support for the Statewide System of Support identified Comprehensive Support and Intervention (CSI) Schools in an amount not to exceed \$60,000 each for those shown below for the period of October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021.

Company's Name	Contract Not to Exceed	Company's Name	Contract Not to Exceed
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Theano Consulting, LLC	\$60,000	WJMcKinney Consulting Services, LLC	\$60,000
Higher Achievements, LLC	\$60,000	NSPIRE, LLC	\$60,000
SALT	\$60,000	Maxmills Consulting	\$60,000
Calm Enthusiasm, LLC	\$60,000	Conquest Educational Services LLC	\$60,000
LITE, LLC	\$60,000	Wisdom and Knowledge, LLC	\$60,000
K F Civil LLC	\$60,000	BJP Educational and Literacy Coaching LLC	\$60,000
IBKK, LLC	\$60,000	Ruth Poulos Educational Consulting, LLC	\$60,000
Danyo, LLC	\$60,000	WJR Education Consultant, LLC	\$60,000
Math Zone	\$60,000	Educational Leadership Solutions, LLC	\$60,000
Driscoll Associates	\$60,000	JS Educational Services	\$60,000
LDE Solutions, LLC	\$60,000	Iola Consulting, LLC	\$60,000
Elam and Elam Enterprises	\$60,000	Education Consulting Service LLC	\$60,000
Jess Consulting LLC	\$60,000	Edustar, LLC	\$60,000
RK Consulting, LLC	\$60,000	Williams and Associates Consulting Group LLC	\$60,000
Child Focused Consulting Co LLC	\$60,000		

29-20-21

The Board approved entering into contracts with the following vendors serving as Contracted Coaches and Project Service Providers to provide support for the Statewide System of Support identified Comprehensive Support and Intervention (CSI) Schools in an amount not to exceed \$80,000 each for those shown below for the period of October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021.

Company's Name	Contract Not to Exceed
Karen Caldwell Consulting LLC	\$80,000
EduVation Consulting	\$80,000
NTLB Consulting Services, LLC	\$80,000
B & H Education Solutions, INC	\$80,000
Kaija Enterprises, LLC	\$80,000

30-20-21

The Board approved entering into an agreement with Barton Malow, Southfield, MI for RFP and construction management, of the WRESA Electrical Transformer Replacement Project, in the amount of \$41,711.

31-19-20

The Board approved entering into an agreement with American International Academy (AIA) to fund one (1) requested position: Instructional Blended Learning Coach in support of district improvement as an identified Comprehensive Support and Improvement School (CSI) through the Regional Assistance Grant (RAG) funds in an amount not to exceed \$45,200 for the period of October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020.

32-20-21

The Board approved entering into an agreement with Hanover Research for Program Evaluation in an amount not to exceed \$40,000 for the period September 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021.

33-20-21

The Board approved an amendment to Board Recommendation #190-19-20 to increase the amount of the contract with RNA Facilities Management, Ann Arbor, MI for custodial services at Wayne County RESA

Education Center, Annex, and Burger Baylor facilities, from an amount of \$377,041.74 to an amount of \$443,185.74 for the period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021. This will cover the cost of two additional custodial staff at Burger.

34-19-20

The Board approved an amendment to Board Recommendation #219-19-20 to increase funds to Aequitas Solutions, LLC, Rancho Cucamonga, CA to allow for fees related to the extension of the Detroit Public Schools Community District archive-only access to Q for software maintenance for the period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.

Vendor	Original Amount	Amended Amount
Aequitas Solutions, LLC	\$725,000	\$780,000

35-20-21

The Board approved an amendment to Board Recommendations #113-19-20 and #185-19-20 for reimbursement of allowable added costs for individual Student Aides employed during the 2019-20 school year, not to exceed the amounts listed below, to the following school districts and public school academies.

LEA/PSA	Original Amount	New Amount
Hope of Detroit Academy	\$97,700	\$101,900
Voyageur Academy	\$15,900	\$29,500
The Dearborn Academy	\$89,200	\$95,500
Garden City Public Schools	\$334,135	\$378,900
Lincoln Park, School District of the City of	\$253,790	254,000
Melvindale-North Allen Park Schools	\$66,300	\$70,300
Southgate Community School District	\$477,416	\$568,100
Wayne-Westland Community Schools	\$1,051,006	\$1,216,400
Totals	\$2,385,447	2,714,363

36-19-20

The Board approved an amendment to Board Recommendation #235-19-20, increasing the allocation for Regional Assistance Grant funded instructional positions from an amount not to exceed \$115,000 to an amount not to exceed \$150,000 for the period October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020.

Building	Original Amount	Amended Amount	Rationale/ Purpose
Joy Preparatory Academy	\$115,000	\$150,000	Cost to cover the approved full contractual salary amount for the four (4) positions. Approval granted through COVID19 flexibility request.

37-20-21

The Board accepted the following grant for the terms, amounts and purposes noted.

Grant	Grantor	Amount	Term	Purpose
Social Studies	Michigan Department of Education	\$115,000	10/01/2019 - 09/30/2020	Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency (WRESA) (Grantee) is granted \$115,000 as a fiscal agent from the Michigan Department of Education (MDE) (Grantor) for reimbursement of costs associated with

				Social Studies Standards research.
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K. Action Item(s):

1. Superintendent’s Evaluation and Contract Extension Amendment

Member Funderburg supported by Member Beri, moved that the Wayne RESA Board amend its action of May 20, 2020 to approve the satisfactory evaluation of Superintendent Randy Liepa and amend his contract to include a one-year extension through June 30, 2023, with the remainder of the terms and conditions of his contract to remain the same as the 2019-2020 contract; and that the Board authorize the President and Secretary of the Board to sign the amended contract retroactively effective to July 1, 2020. Roll call vote: Beri-Yes, Blackmon-Yes, Funderburg-Yes, and Petrie-Yes, motion carried 4-0.

2. Creative Montessori Academy Board Appointment

Member Beri supported by Member Petrie, moved to approve the appointment of Jessica Pinto to serve on the Creative Montessori Academy Board for a three-year term beginning August 1, 2020 ending July 31, 2023. Roll call vote: Beri-Yes, Blackmon-Yes, Funderburg-Yes, and Petrie-Yes, motion carried 4-0.

3. Henry Ford Academy Board Appointment

Member Petrie supported by Member Funderburg, moved to approve the appointment of Ms. Amal Berry to serve on the Henry Ford Academy Board for a three-year term beginning August 1, 2020, and ending June 31, 2023. Roll call vote: Beri-Yes, Blackmon-Yes, Funderburg-Yes, and Petrie-Yes, motion carried 4-0.

4. Resolution Adopting Organizational Definitions for Diversity, Inclusion and Equity to Guide the Work of the Organization

Member Funderburg supported by Member Petrie, moved to approve the attached definitions for Diversity, Inclusion and Equity – to provide direction that as we work on supporting school districts, students and also our RESA staff, we are committed to using the definitions to guide our work. Roll call vote: Beri-Yes, Blackmon-Yes, Funderburg-Yes, and Petrie-Yes, motion carried 4-0.

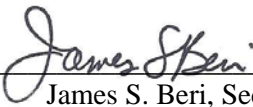
L. General Board Comments

Member Blackmon spoke to:

- DPSCD Board Election Candidates

M. Adjournment

Member Beri supported by Member Petrie, 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 11:40 a.m.

Submitted by:  _____
James S. Beri, Secretary