

BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

Highlights from the April 21, 2021 Regular Meeting(s) of the Wayne RESA Board of Education.

The Board received a 2021-2022 Preliminary Budget presentation from Tamara Dust, Director of Finance and Compliance.

The Wayne RESA Board of Education approved the following items on the Consent Agenda:

Approved the following internal applicant(s) for the position(s):

- Beverly Rodgers, Secretary - Information Technology Solutions, effective March 16, 2021.

Approved the following leave(s):

- Steven Michael, Connectivity/Network Consultant, Family/Medical Leave, effective April 7, 2021.

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 April 21, 2021 to June 30, 2023.

- Stephanie Leavitt / Allen Park School District

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 July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2024.

- Michelle Muse-Worthy / Southgate Community School District

Approved the purchase of 12,480 STEM Books from Follett School Solutions, Inc. (Follett), McHenry, IL in an amount not to exceed \$69,000.

Approved the purchase of 1,560 STEM Kits from Nutty Scientists of SE Michigan (Nutty Scientists), Canton, MI for an amount not to exceed \$30,000.

Approved payment of the Administrative Outreach Program Medicaid Claim reimbursement to the following local School Districts for services to Medicaid eligible students, in the amount of \$158,319.45.

DISTRICT/LEA	AMOUNT	DISTRICT/LEA	AMOUNT
Allen Park Public Schools	\$2,983.59	Melvindale-North Allen Park Schools	\$2,672.54
Crestwood School District	\$2,525.88	Northville Public Schools	\$9,533.31
Dearborn Heights School District #7	\$2,885.59	Plymouth-Canton Community Schools	\$9,509.87
Dearborn City School District	\$15,171.15	Redford Union Schools, District No. 1	\$5,772.70
Ecorse Public Schools	\$1,306.71	School District of the City of River Rouge	\$768.50
Flat Rock Community Schools	\$1,873.40	Riverview Community School District	\$973.85
Garden City Public Schools	\$6,363.69	Romulus Community Schools	\$1,243.10
Gibraltar School District	\$2,120.98	South Redford School District	\$2,803.37
Grosse Ile Township Schools	\$1,898.96	Southgate Community School District	\$4,345.62
Grosse Pointe Public Schools	\$7,276.86	Taylor School District	\$5,309.29
School District of the City of Hamtramck	\$2,551.19	Trenton Public Schools	\$3,286.95

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School District of the City of Harper Woods	\$826.15	Van Buren Public Schools	\$3,576.69
Huron School District	\$2,230.40	Wayne-Westland Community School District	\$19,471.45
School District of the City of Lincoln Park	\$11,049.71	Westwood Community School District	\$2,014.74
Livonia Public Schools School District	\$10,715.74	Woodhaven-Brownstown School District	\$7,548.94
		School District of the City of Wyandotte	\$7,708.53
		TOTAL:	\$158,319.45

Approved payments to each of the following school districts for implementation of additional Early On-Michigan Mandatory Special Education services during the summer months in the amount of \$67,600 for the period of June 12, 2021 through September 30, 2021.

Agency/District	Amount
Woodhaven Brownstown School District	\$50,300
Plymouth Canton Community Schools	\$17,300
Total:	\$67,600

Approved a contract with Spitfire Strategies to provide support for the Michigan Department of Education under the terms of the MDE-WRESA ISD Collaboration Grant in the amount of \$98,000 for the period of April 21, 2021 through September 30, 2021.

Approved an amendment to Board Recommendation #8-20-21 for reimbursement to the following ISD and districts, in the amounts indicated, for Region 29 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 \$2,725,822 for the period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.

ISD/District	Original Amount	Amended Amount
Allen Park Public Schools	\$63,005	\$66,795
Chandler Park Academy	\$43,094	\$43,094
Dearborn Heights School District #7	\$104,509	\$110,759
Dearborn Public Schools	\$235,605	\$249,951
Garden City Public Schools	\$88,123	\$58,123
Hamtramck School District	\$69,585	\$69,585
The School District of the City of Harper Woods	\$54,856	\$54,856
Huron School District – Downriver Career Technical Consortium	\$543,684	\$576,198
Lincoln Park School District	\$93,266	\$93,266
Livonia Public Schools	\$259,113	\$274,713
Melvindale Public Schools	\$93,719	\$99,493
Plymouth-Canton Community Schools	\$243,076	\$243,076
Romulus Community Schools	\$107,093	\$86,930

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Taylor School District	\$138,956	\$138,956
Van Buren Public Schools	\$41,954	\$44,463
Wayne-Westland Community Schools	\$278,339	\$294,981
Wayne RESA	\$272,333	\$220,583
Total ISD and District Perkins Grant	\$2,730,310	\$2,725,822

Approved an amendment to Board Recommendation #105-20-21 for reimbursement of allowable added costs for individual Student Aides employed during the 2020-2021 school year for the following local school districts and public school academies, not to exceed the amounts listed below.

LEA/PSA	Original Amount	Amended Amount
Crestwood School District	\$0	\$508,700
Dearborn Public Schools	\$3,722,500	\$4,157,800
Huron School District	\$198,700	\$226,200
Melvindale-North Allen Park Schools	\$52,300	\$60,500
Plymouth-Canton Community Schools	\$2,437,300	\$2,487,500
Taylor School District	\$495,700	\$513,500
Van Buren Public Schools	\$0	\$298,300
Wayne-Westland Community School District	\$1,811,100	\$1,870,800
Woodhaven-Brownstown School District	\$867,500	\$923,200
Wyandotte, School District of the City of	\$0	\$422,000
American Montessori Academy	\$0	\$153,700
Cesar Chavez Academy	\$0	\$46,300
Detroit Leadership Academy	\$99,600	\$128,200
Summit Academy - North	\$0	\$140,600
The Dearborn Academy	\$141,200	\$164,200
Total:	\$9,825,900	\$12,101,500

Approved an amendment to Board Recommendation #158-20-21 to increase the contract amount with Discovery Education for video streaming building licenses and annual support from \$200,000 to an amount not to exceed \$250,000 for the period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.

Accepted the following grants for the terms, amounts and purposes noted:

Grant	Grantor	Amount	Term	Purpose
MiSTEM Advisory Council Grant: NGSX (Next Generation Science Exemplars) Program	Washtenaw ISD, Fiscal agent for the Statewide Grant	\$42,508	10/1/2020 - 9/30/2022	NGSX is designed as a professional learning system to support Teacher and Facilitator training around the Next Generation Science Standards. NGSX facilitates the learning pathways of becoming a Next-Gen Science 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.
MiSTEM Advisory	Northern Michigan University, Fiscal	\$120,456	10/1/2020 - 9/30/2022	Math Recovery assessments and interventions are aligned to mathematics standards in grades K-4,

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Council Grant: Math Recovery	for the Statewide Grant			are research-based, and designed to support teachers as they identify and support students in developing an understanding of addition, subtraction, place value, multiplication, and division. MiSTEM grant funds support the purchase of the assessment kits for teachers within the county and provide access to professional development in order to ensure the fidelity of their use in elementary classrooms and schools. Members of the Educational Service Math team lead this work, and provide the professional development.
MiSTEM Advisory Council Grant: Ten80	Washtenaw ISD, Fiscal agent for the Statewide Grant	\$73,837	10/1/2020 - 9/30/2022	Ten80 designed an UAV Challenge and Competition for Wayne County schools to participate in. Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs) are driving one of the most exciting areas of innovation today. Pilots, engineers and entrepreneurial leaders are teaming up to change the way we think of videography, disaster recovery, agriculture, conservation, marketing and so much more. After exploring basics of aeronautics and developing skills as pilots, students hack into a standard UAV brain, replace it with a custom programmable flight controller and configure it to fly different missions. MiSTEM grant funds support will allow Wayne County students to participate in a Wayne County Drone Competition.
MiSTEM Advisory Council Grant: Camp Invention	Grand Valley State University, Fiscal agent for the Statewide Grant	\$23,100	10/1/2020 - 9/30/2022	Camp Invention (CI) is an entrepreneur and invention-based P-3 Based Learning program for students and PD/resource for teachers. The program's top priority is to present essential STEM concepts and entrepreneurial content through creative, hands-on activities. K-6 students can participate in Camp Invention (multi-day summer experience), or Club Invention (after school) to solve a problem or design a project, iteratively testing and rebuilding throughout the experience. MiSTEM grant funds support will provide 100 Wayne County students scholarships for 2 summer camp opportunities.

The Board also considered the following Action Items:

Approved the satisfactory evaluation of Superintendent Randy Liepa.

Approved the Agreement between Wayne RESA and Local 1882, Wayne RESA Chapter, affiliated with Michigan Council 25 of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME), AFL-CIO as presented, for the period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.

Approved the Agreement between Wayne RESA and Wayne County Salaried Staff Federation (WCSSF) Local 4479 affiliated with AFT Michigan and the American Federation of Teachers, AFL-CIO as presented, for the period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.

Approved the renewal of three year contracts for administrative non-bargaining employees.

Superintendent's Comments

Superintendent, Dr. Randy Liepa:

- WRESA Board received the MASB Distinguished Achievement Award – Only School Board recognized for this award. / Danielle Funderburg has received MASB Master Platinum Award.
- Wayne County School Districts/Individual Board members receiving MASB awards were recognized.
- School Landscape Update – School districts continue to manage school in the COVID environment and have been challenged by the recent increase in COVID cases across the county; districts are also involved in planning for the use of their federal ESSERS funds. These dollars are significant, and districts want to put them to the best use possible to support learning recovery and other needs.
- NSBA Magna Award, issued to a district that promote equity, was awarded to Detroit Public School Community District for their Drew Transition Center Horticulture program.
- Special Recognition for retiring Board administrative assistant – Sharon Warren