



Wayne Regional Educational Service Agency
Education Center · 33500 Van Born Road · Wayne, Michigan

Special Board Meeting

Virtually Held

(Public Act 254)

May 6, 2021

MINUTES

A. Call to Order

The Special Meeting of the Board of Education of the Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency (held virtually), was called to order by President Blackmon on May 6, 2021 at 6:30 p.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 (Brownstown Township, Michigan)

Note: Ms. Jackson joined the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

C. Approval of Agenda

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

D. Public Participation - none

E. Superintendent Candidate Interviews

Catherine Cost, Ed.D., Superintendent, Wyandotte Public Schools

President Blackmon and members of the Wayne RESA Board interviewed the candidate for approximately one hour.

President Blackmon called for a short recess at 7:30 p.m., the meeting reconvened at 7:40 p.m.

John Searles, M.Ed., Superintendent, Midland County ESA

President Blackmon and members of the Wayne RESA Board interviewed the candidate for approximately one hour.

President Blackmon called for a short recess at 8:45 p.m., the meeting reconvened at 8:50 p.m.

MASB Search Consultant Jay Bennett led the board through a reflection/discussion exercise on each candidate interviewed.

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F. Other Matters - none

G. Adjournment

Member Beri, supported by Member Jackson, moved to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Beri-Yes, Blackmon-Yes, Funderburg-Yes, Jackson-Yes and Petrie-Yes, the motion carried 5-0. President Blackmon adjourned the meeting at 9:06 p.m.

Submitted by: 
James S. Beri, Secretary