Organizational Meeting
July 14, 2021

MINUTES

A. Call to Order
The Organizational Meeting of the Wayne Regional Educational Service Agency Board of Education was called to order by President Blackmon on July 14, 2021, at 8:30 a.m.

B. Roll Call
Present: James Beri, Mary Blackmon, Danielle Funderburg, James Petrie
Absent: Lynda Jackson

C. Approval of Agenda
Member Beri, supported by Member Petrie, moved to approve the agenda, as amended to include the Pledge of Allegiance. On voice vote, the motion carried 4-0.

D. Pledge of Allegiance – President Blackmon led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

E. Oath / Acceptance of Office – President Blackmon administered the Oath and Acceptance of Office to Member James Petrie.

F. Election of Officers
1. President
   Member Petrie, supported by Member Beri, moved that Danielle Funderburg is hereby nominated as President of the Board of Education for the 2021-2022 term. On voice vote, the motion carried 4-0.

2. Vice-President
   Member Blackmon, supported by Member Petrie, moved that James Beri is hereby nominated as Vice President of the Board of Education for the 2021-2022 term. On voice vote, motion carried 4-0.

3. Secretary
   Member Beri, supported by Member Petrie, moved that Lynda Jackson is hereby nominated as Secretary of the Board of Education for the 2021-2022 term. On voice vote, motion carried 4-0.

4. Treasurer
   Member Beri supported by Member Blackmon, moved that James Petrie is hereby nominated as Treasurer of the Board of Education for the 2021-2022 term. On voice vote, motion carried 4-0.

G. Naming of Signatories and Depositories for Funds
1. Member Petrie, supported by Member Beri, moved that the Board hereby approve the following resolution, as amended to include the addition of the “First Independence National Bank”, which names the depositories and approved signatories for Wayne County RESA for the 2021-2022 fiscal year:

Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency
Naming of Depositories for Funds
2021-2022

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS the naming of the depository accounts and authorized signatories is required by the Revised School Code and Wayne RESA Board Policy, and

WHEREAS this Board of Education at its meeting of July 14, 2021, approved certain depository accounts for savings and investment purposes;

THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED that the following additional institutions are approved depositories for savings and investment purposes for the various funds of the Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency for the 2021-2022 fiscal year:

Bank of America
BMO Harris Bank, N.A.
Comerica Bank
Fifth Third Bank
First Independence National Bank
Huntington Bank
JP Morgan Chase Bank
Michigan School District Liquid Asset Fund Plus
PNC Bank
PFM Group

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the administration of the Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency is authorized to establish in its name one or more deposit/investment accounts with the financial institutions as listed above on such terms and conditions as may be agreed upon with said financial institution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the treasurer of the Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency or his/her designee, be and is hereby authorized to draw funds from said accounts of the Wayne RESA, signed as provided herein with signatures duly certified to said financial institutions by the secretary of the Wayne Regional Educational Service Agency and said financial institutions are hereby authorized to honor and pay any and all withdrawal orders so signed, including those drawn to the individual order of any office or other person authorized to sign the same.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the financial institutions are authorized to act in accordance with the foregoing without further inquiry unless and until it has been notified in writing by the undersigned of any changes in these authorizations.

On voice vote, the motion carried 4-0.
2. Member Blackmon, supported by Member Petrie, moved that the Board hereby approve the following resolution, which names the depositories and approved signatories for the School District of the City of Inkster for the 2021-2022 fiscal year:

Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency
Naming of Depositories for Funds
2021-2022

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS the naming of the depository accounts and authorized signatories is required by the Revised School Code and Wayne RESA Board Policy, and

WHEREAS this Board of Education at its meeting of July 14, 2021, approved certain depository accounts for savings and investment purposes;

THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED that the following additional institutions are approved depositories for savings and investment purposes for the various funds of the School District of the City of Inkster for the 2021-2022 fiscal year:

Fifth Third Bank
Michigan School District Liquid Asset Fund Plus
PFM Group

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the administration of the Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency is authorized to establish in its name one or more deposit/investment accounts with the financial institutions as listed above on such terms and conditions as may be agreed upon with said financial institution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the treasurer of the Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency or his/her designee, be and is hereby authorized to draw funds from said accounts of the School District of the City of Inkster, signed as provided herein with signatures duly certified to said financial institutions by the secretary of the Wayne Regional Educational Service Agency and said financial institutions are hereby authorized to honor and pay any and all withdrawal orders so signed, including those drawn to the individual order of any office or other person authorized to sign the same.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the financial institutions are authorized to act in accordance with the foregoing without further inquiry unless and until it has been notified in writing by the undersigned of any changes in these authorizations.

On voice vote, the motion carried 4-0.

H. Designation of Legal Counsel

1. Member Beri, supported by Member Blackmon, moved that the Board hereby approve the use of the following firms as legal counsel for Wayne RESA during 2021-2022:

General Counsel:
Clark Hill, PLC, Birmingham, MI
Butler Law Group, PC, Okemos, MI
Husch Blackwell, Chicago, IL
Lusk & Albertson, PLC, Bloomfield Hills, MI
Miller, Canfield, Paddock and Stone, PLC, Detroit, MI
Miller Johnson Attorneys, Grand Rapids, MI
The Allen Law Group, PC, Detroit, MI
Thrun Law Firm, PC, Lansing, MI
Fish and Richardson, PC, Washington, DC

Workers' Compensation/Property and Casualty:
Clark Hill, PLC, Birmingham, MI
Keller, Thoma, PC, Detroit, MI
Plunkett & Cooney, Detroit, MI

On voice vote, the motion carried 4-0.

2. Member Petrie, supported by Member Blackmon moved that the Board hereby approve the use of the following firms as legal counsel for the School District of the City of Inkster during 2021-2022:

General Counsel:
Miller, Canfield, Paddock and Stone, PLC, Detroit, MI
Miller Johnson Attorneys, Grand Rapids, MI

On voice vote, the motion carried 4-0.

I. Designation of Auditors

1. Member Blackmon, supported by Member Beri, moved that the Board approve Plante Moran, PLLC as the auditing firm for Wayne RESA for the 2021-2022 fiscal year. On voice vote, the motion carried 4-0.

2. Member Petrie, supported by Member Blackmon, moved that the Board approve Plante Moran, PLLC as the auditing firm for the School District of the City of Inkster for the 2021-2022 fiscal year. On voice vote, the motion carried 4-0.

J. MASB - Certification of Delegates and Alternate
Member Beri, supported by Member Blackmon, moved that the Board appoint James Petrie to serve as the 2021-2022 voting delegate for the Michigan Association of School Boards and Lynda Jackson to serve as the alternate. On voice vote, the motion carried 4-0.

K. WCASB Executive Board and Alternate
Member Petrie, supported by Member Beri, moved that the Board hereby appoint James Beri to serve on the WCASB Executive Board for 2021-2022, with James Petrie serving as the alternate. On voice vote, the motion carried 4-0.

L. SEMCOG Representative and Alternate
Member Beri, supported by Member Petrie, moved that the Board hereby appoint Mary Blackmon as representative to the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG) for 2021-2022, with James Beri serving as the alternate. On voice vote, the motion carried 4-0.

M. Educational Representative for the American Red Cross
Member Petrie, supported by Member Beri moved that the Board hereby appoint
Lynda Jackson as the region’s American Red Cross Educational Representative for 2021-2022. On voice vote, the motion carried 4-0.

N. Public Participation
There was no public participation.

O. General Board Comments
- Member Petrie commend Member Blackmon for the outstanding job that she has done as Board President through some very unusual and trying times this past year.
- Member Beri also commended Member Blackmon for her presidential leadership and transparency. In addition, he shared that he greatly appreciates her friendship.
- President Funderburg thanked Member Blackmon for her leadership and shared that she has been a wonderful mentor for her since joining the WRESA Board.
- Member Blackmon shared that it has been a pleasure to serve in the role of President and commended the entire board and staff for keeping everything moving during the Pandemic. She added that it has been a very challenging but productive year.

P. Adjournment
Member Beri, supported by Member Blackmon, moved to adjourn the meeting. On voice vote, the motion carried 4-0. President Funderburg adjourned the meeting at 8:52 a.m.

Submitted by:

Lynda Jackson, Secretary