

Highlights from the March 16, 2022, Regular Meeting of the Wayne RESA Board of Education.

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

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

- Traci Osborne, Secretary, Educational Services (from Operations and IT Infrastructure), effective February 14, 2022

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

- Mercedes Burrell, Bookkeeper, effective February 14, 2022
- LaDawn White, Assistant for Internal Operations – (Medicaid Reimbursement), effective February 21, 2022
- Stacia Weeks, Career Readiness and Counselor Consultant, effective February 28, 2022
- Kristy Caleca, Assistant for Internal Operations – Special Education Program Compliance, effective February 28, 2022
- Jeffrey Austin, Literacy Consultant, effective March 7, 2022
- Jennifer Snapp, Literacy Consultant, effective March 15, 2022
- LeRoy Taylor, Budget & Fiscal Analyst, effective March 21, 2022

Approved the following leave(s):

- Steven Michael, Connectivity/Network Consultant, Family/Medical Leave, effective February 23, 2022
- Tirria Kendred, Career Technical/Adult Education Consultant, Family/Medical Leave, effective February 23, 2022
- Sanna Saddy, Part-time English Learner Facilitator, unpaid personal leave effective March 1, 2022

Approved the following reclassification(s):

- Christine Jackson, Application Programmer Analyst (Schedule E) to Application Architect (Schedule H) effective January 31, 2022

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 February 1, 2022 through February 28, 2022:

Mary Blackmon: \$70.20; Danielle Funderburg: \$10.30; Lynda Jackson: \$53.35; James Petrie: \$86.78

Approved payment of the Section 74 School Bus Driver Safety Education reimbursement to the following districts/public school academies in the amount of \$83,965.68. This amount reflects the 2020-2021 reimbursement to districts/public school academies for training of school bus drivers and supervisors.

District/PSA	Amount	District/PSA	Amount
Academy for Business & Technology High School	\$886.39	Multicultural Academy	297.44
Allen Park Public Schools	4,544.96	New Haven Community Schools	297.44
American International Academy	785.25	Northville Public Schools	1,585.38
Bradford Academy	98.16	Oakland International Academy	297.44
Caniff Liberty Academy	98.16	Oakridge Public Schools	297.44
Chippewa Valley Schools	297.44	Old Redford Academy	297.44
Crestwood School District	294.47	Plymouth Educational Center Charter School	493.76

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Dearborn, School District of the City of	4,619.32	Plymouth-Canton Community Schools	10,324.31
Detroit Academy of Arts and Sciences	1,088.65	Redford Union Schools	693.05
Detroit Achievement Academy	196.31	Richmond Community Schools	594.89
Detroit Public Schools Community District	196.31	River Heights Academy	297.44
Detroit Service Learning Academy	297.44	Riverview Community School District	493.76
Dexter Community School District	892.33	Rochester Community Schools	594.89
Distinctive College Prep-Harper Woods	493.76	Romulus Community Schools	4,527.11
Distinctive College Prep-Redford	98.16	Saline Area Schools	196.31
Flat Rock Community Schools	196.31	South Redford School District	1,079.72
Garden City Public Schools	395.60	Star International Academy	395.60
Gibraltar School District	3,146.97	Summit Academy - North	2,459.87
Grosse Ile Township Schools	785.25	Taylor School District	5,223.13
Hamtramck, School District of the City of	2,269.50	Trenton Public Schools	2,067.24
Hanley International Academy	1,088.65	Van Buren Public Schools	4,711.52
Harper Woods, School District of the City of	98.16	Wayne RESA	98.16
Huron School District	2,849.52	Wayne-Westland Community Schools	5,889.41
Jefferson Schools	1,279.01	Westwood Community School District	98.16
Livonia Public Schools	7,956.65	Woodhaven-Brownstown School District	395.60
Melvindale-Northern Allen Park Schools	2,257.61	Wyandotte, School District of the City of	196.31
Milan Area Schools	2,159.45	Ypsilanti Community Schools	693.05
Grand Total			\$83,965.68

Approved funding through the section 31n(6) Mental Health Supports for General Education Students to the following School Districts and Public School Academies, for a total amount not to exceed \$670,089 for the period July 1, 2021 through September 30, 2023:

District/Public School Academy	Amount
Dearborn, School District of the City of	\$288,285
Northville Public Schools	\$381,804
Total	\$670,089

Approved payment for implementation of additional Early On services to the following School Districts in the amounts indicated, for the period June 15, 2022 through September 2, 2022.

District/LEA	Amount
Grosse Pointe Public School System	\$2,500
Detroit Public Schools Community District	\$26,000
Livonia Public Schools – Early On only	\$15,450
Woodhaven-Brownstown School District	\$44,500

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Plymouth-Canton Community Schools	\$61,100
Total:	\$149,450

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 \$119,471.74.

District/LEA	Amount	District/LEA	Amount
Allen Park Public Schools	\$2,502.24	Melvindale-Northern Allen Park Schools	\$1,693.06
Crestwood School District	\$2,229.23	Northville Public Schools	\$7,032.81
Dearborn Heights School District No. 7	\$1,864.23	Plymouth-Canton Community Schools	\$8,046.67
Dearborn, School District of the City of	\$8,999.57	Redford Union Schools, District No. 1	\$4,151.79
Ecorse Public Schools	\$894.47	River Rouge, School District of the City of	\$748.98
Flat Rock Community Schools	\$1,418.77	Riverview Community School District	\$1,020.99
Garden City Public Schools	\$4,678.49	Romulus Community Schools	\$1,307.46
Gibraltar School District	\$1,583.66	South Redford School District	\$2,331.71
Grosse Ile Township Schools	\$1,331.90	Southgate Community School District	\$3,517.31
Grosse Pointe Public School System	\$5,902.61	Taylor School District	\$4,535.64
Hamtramck, School District of the City of	\$2,019.30	Trenton Public Schools	\$2,947.81
Harper Woods, School District of the City of	\$962.47	Van Buren Public Schools	\$2,865.85
Huron School District	\$1,566.80	Wayne-Westland Community Schools	\$14,667.85
Lincoln Park, School District of the City of	\$8,089.11	Westwood Community School District	\$1,425.81
Livonia Public Schools	\$6,579.89	Woodhaven-Brownstown School District	\$6,288.02
		Wyandotte, School District of the City of	\$6,267.24
		TOTAL:	\$119,471.74

Approved payments to the following school districts, in the amounts indicated, for state-approved Career and Technical Education program equipment for a total amount not to exceed \$535,714.00 for the period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.

District	61c(1) Award Amount
Advanced Technology Academy	\$27,026
Crestwood School District	\$19,447
Dearborn Heights School District No. 7	\$13,925
Dearborn Public Schools	\$36,450
Harper Woods School District	\$12,678
Huron School District, Downriver Career Technical Consortium (DCTC)	\$162,041
Livonia Public Schools	\$170,000

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Wayne-Westland Community Schools	\$32,466
Westwood Community School District	\$61,681
Total	\$535,714

Authorized administration to enter into a contract with RNA Facilities Management (RNA), Ann Arbor, MI, for painting services at WRESA’s Burger Baylor School and Education Center, in an amount not to exceed \$50,000 for the period July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023.

Authorized administration to enter into a contract with W.J O’Neil Company (W.J. O’Neil), Livonia, MI, for Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning (HVAC) Equipment and Building Control Systems Maintenance in an amount not to exceed \$193,344.00 for the period July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023.

Authorized administration to enter into a contract with RNA Facilities Management (RNA), Ann Arbor, MI, for snow removal services at WRESA’s Burger Baylor School, in an amount not to exceed \$45,000 for the period July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023.

Authorized administration to enter into a contract with Reliable Landscaping, Inc. (Reliable), Canton, MI, for snow removal services at WRESA’s Education Center, in the amount not to exceed \$45,000 for the period July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023.

Authorized administration to enter into a contract with RNA Facilities Management (RNA), Ann Arbor, MI, for Security Guard Services at WRESA’s Education Center and Burger Baylor facilities, in the amount not to exceed \$25,000 for the period July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023.

Authorized administration to increase the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) Flowthrough allocation, originally authorized in Board Recommendation #63-21-22, to the following Public School Academies (PSA) in the amounts indicated, for the period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.

District/LEA	Approved Amount	Amended Amount
Ivywood Classical Academy	\$70,946	\$98,975
Lincoln-King Adams-Young Academy	\$0	\$197,950
Westfield Charter Academy	\$161,935	\$173,914
Total:	\$232,881	\$470,839

Approved an amendment to Board Recommendation 33-21-22 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 \$3,028,348 for the period of July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.

ISD/District	Previous Amount	Updated Amount
Allen Park Public Schools	\$80,621	\$80,621
Chandler Park Academy	\$74,102	\$74,102
Dearborn Heights School District No. 7	\$91,161	\$91,161
Dearborn, School District of the City of	\$345,430	\$345,430
Garden City Public Schools	\$110,747	\$53,509
Hamtramck, School District of the City of	\$56,007	\$56,007
Harper Woods, School District of the City of	\$108,525	\$108,525
Huron School District, Downriver Career Technical Consortium (DCTC)	\$580,091	\$633,476
Lincoln Park, School District of the City of	\$114,622	\$93,272

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Livonia Public Schools	\$263,931	\$288,472
Melvindale-Northern Allen Park Public Schools	\$117,758	\$117,758
Plymouth-Canton Community Schools	\$302,372	\$330,106
Romulus Community Schools	\$63,165	\$41,365
Taylor School District	\$112,870	\$112,870
Van Buren Public Schools	\$34,608	\$37,914
Wayne-Westland Community Schools	\$294,495	\$322,326
Wayne RESA	\$277,843	\$241,434
TOTAL ISD and District Perkins Grant	\$3,028,348	\$3,028,348

Accepted the following grant(s) for the terms, amounts and purposes noted:

Grant	Grantor	Amount	Term	Purpose	Responsible Party
ISD Collaboration	Michigan Department of Education	\$57,500	10/01/2021 - 09/30/2023	Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency (WRESA) (Grantee) is granted from the Michigan Department of Education (MDE) (Grantor) for reimbursement of costs associated with The American Rescue Plan Elementary and Secondary Schools Emergency Relief Fund – Homeless Children and Youth	Finance

The Board also considered the following action items:

Approved the 2021-22 Evaluation for Dr. Daveda Colbert, Wayne RESA Superintendent
Approved the calendar for 2026-27 for the Wayne County Five Year Common Calendar

Superintendent’s Comments

Dr. Daveda Colbert shared:

- RESA will continue to recognize and celebrate Women’s History Month. Dr. Colbert shared that she was honored to be the first female African American superintendent of Wayne RESA but is also honored to follow behind the first woman superintendent of Wayne RESA, Dr. Marlene Davis. Dr. Colbert, along with Board Trustee Mary Blackmon, shared other “first” in honor of Women’s History Month:
 - After going to court to recover her son in 1828, Sojourner Truth became the first Black woman to win such a case against a white man. She died in Battle Creek, Michigan in 1883 at the age of 86.
 - U.S. Senator Debbie Stabenow made history in 2000 when she became the first woman from Michigan elected to the United States Senate.
 - Jennifer Granholm, the 47th governor of Michigan from 2003 to 2011, was the first female governor of Michigan. She earlier served the state’s attorney general and is now the second female to lead the United States Department of Energy.
 - Barbara Rose Collins was the first Black woman from Michigan to be elected to Congress.

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Dr. Colbert ended with a quote from Barack Obama: *Change will not come if we wait for some other person or some other time. We are the ones we've been waiting for. We are the change that we seek.*

- March is National Reading Month and RESA encourages reading: family reading, community reading, reading in places of worship, etc. inside and outside of Wayne RESA.
- Spring Break is March 28 – April 1, 2022 and the Wayne RESA offices will be closed.
- State assessments begin in April and RESA will continue supporting districts and encouraging families to participate in the testing as 95% participation is required this year. No waiver is available.
- Upcoming changes to leadership in Wayne County districts - Melvindale-Northern Allen Park are down to two finalists for their superintendent vacancy, Riverview and Northville are in the initial stages of their superintendent search and South Redford has identified their next superintendent as Jason Bobrovetski who is currently the district's Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources and Operations. Mr. Bobrovetski is expected to assume the role in August 2022.
- Congratulations to the Wayne RESA Board of Education for being the recipient of the Michigan Association of School Board's Distinguished Achievement Board Award. Thanks for being champions in the work and in leadership!
- RESA All Staff Meeting was received well by employees and the leadership team will continue to look for ways to engage staff. Thank you to Board President Funderburg for her words of encouragement and thank you to RESA board members who attended the meeting and breakout sessions.
- Michigan Association of Intermediate School Administrators (MAISA) has announced their selection of a new Executive Director to replace Dr. William Miller. MAISA Board of Directors is pleased to appoint Dr. John Stevenson to support the 56 Intermediate School Districts. Dr. Severson currently serves as the superintendent of the Muskegon Area Intermediate School District.
- General Education Leadership Network (GELN) has also announced Dr. Michael Yocum as their next director to replace Dave Krebs.
- RESA continues to engage in conversation with the City of Detroit regarding a Great Start Readiness Program (GSRP) partnership.
- RESA's Office of Special Education works diligently and intentionally to care for students and families, training staff, and supporting Wayne County districts. Dr. Colbert will be meeting with the leadership at the Michigan Department of Education (MDE) regarding ways to better partner to produce the best results. More information is forthcoming.
- A press release from Michigan Association of School Boards (MASB), Michigan Association of Superintendents and Administrators (MASA), Middle Cities, Michigan Department of Education (MDE), and other statewide organizations will be released today in opposition of the Let MI Kids Learn Campaign. There is concern about the wording of the "voucher like" initiative and RESA will continue to advocate against that.
- Please keep Romulus Community Schools and Detroit Public Schools Community District (DPSCD) lifted in your thoughts. Romulus lost a student recently and DPSCD lost a School Police Officer. Dr. Colbert has reached out to both districts offering support from RESA if needed.
- Henry Ford Academy Class of 2022 Commencement Ceremony will be held Monday, June 13, 2022 at 5:30 p.m.

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