



Wayne County Parent Advisory Committee

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Kara Clarke, Chairperson **Jennifer Seal**, Vice-Chairperson
Samara Wolf & Michelle Muse-Worthy, Secretary **Linda MacClinton**, Treasurer

June 9, 2022
 MEETING MINUTES

Call to Order

Kara Clarke called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. A quorum of members was present.

Members Present: -

Joanne Goree Detroit	Jennifer Seal Garden City	Rosalind Pope Grosse Pointe	Helena Stephenson Harper Woods
Eileen Brandt Livonia	Kara Clarke Livonia	Michelle DeJesus Melvindale-NAP	James Michalik Plymouth-Canton
Linda MacClinton Redford Union	Khalilah Montgomery Redford Union	Monique Draw River Rouge	Tracee Winston South Redford
Michelle Muse-Worthy Southgate	Steven Bejarano Wayne-Westland	Kristin Bejarano Wayne-Westland	Tenisha Williams Westwood
Priscilla Albano Woodhaven/Btown	Samara Wolf Quest		

Members Excused: Eilia Syed, Clare Brick

Guests Present: Patrick Mies, Yolanda Talley, Michael Gabarz, Beth Santer, Cynthia Patton Johnson, Jennifer Stout

RESA Representatives: Vita Lusk, Celeste Johnson

<i>Dates to Remember</i>	
<i>Next meeting – September 8, 2022 @ 6:30pm</i>	

I. Approval of Agenda

A copy of the meeting agenda was emailed and posted to the website for members in advance and made available at the meeting. A motion was made by Michelle Muse-Worthy and seconded by Tracee Winston to accept the agenda. Motion was supported by majority of members present. No objections were made.

Objections: _____

II. Approval of Minutes

A copy of the minutes was emailed and posted to the website for members in advance. A motion was made by Michelle Muse-Worthy and seconded by Joanne Goree to accept the minutes as noted. Motion supported by majority present. No objections were made.

Objections: _____

III. Presentation:

Tonight's presentation was about Post-Secondary Transition.

Presentations were given by:

Dr. Patrick Mies from Livonia Public Schools

Ms. Yolana Talley and Mr. Michael Gabarz from Detroit Public Schools Community District

Eileen Brandt, Cynthia Patton Johnson and Beth Santer from MTSA were presenters.

Please see attached for full presentations

Livonia Public Schools/Western Wayne Skill Center at Garfield Community School

Principal- Dr. Patrick Mies

Email: pmies@livoniapublicschools.org

Phone number: 734-744-2810

Website: <https://www.livoniapublicschools.org/Page/57>

- ▶ The Mission of the Western Wayne Skill Center is to provide each student with individualized, engaging, and powerful learning opportunities designed to promote independence and a rewarding lifestyle.
- ▶ The Vision of the Western Wayne Skill Center is to empower students with the skills necessary to make their transition plans come to life.

Detroit Public Schools Community District – Charles R. Drew Transition Center

Ms. Yolanda Talley and Mr. Michael Gabarz, WBL Coordinators

Website: <https://www.detroitk12.org/drew>

Work Based Learning Program was developed to provide independent, semi-independent and supported vocational work experiences.

Employment experiences include Customer Service, Independent Students- Karmanos Cancer Center, VA Medical Center, Henry Ford Main Hospital, Sinai Grace Hospital, Retail- Best Buy, Forman Mills, Chili's, Salvation Army, Pingree Farms. STEP (Services To Enhance Potential)- STEP Agency involvement is after Certificate of Completion

That's What WE DO AT THE DREW!

Michigan Transition Services Association (MTSA)

Eileen Brandt–MTSA President Elect

Beth Santer & Cynthia Patton-Johnson- Region 4 Co-Representatives

Website: <https://www.michigantsa.org>

Region 4 Email: Region4@MichiganTSA.org

MTSA Mission: dedicated to providing support to its members who assist students and young adults with disabilities as they transition into independent life.

MTSA serves the entire state of MI which is divided into 4 Regions.
MTSA provides Trainings Opportunities, Education Scholarships, and Conference Scholarships for members.

MTSA Special Recognition Award
Winner: Larry Stemple 2018
Current membership is \$40.00 per year. To register, see MTSA website.

IV. Chairperson Report –

End of the year survey will be sent out via the listserv for feedback regarding 2021-2022 presentations as well as input for 2022-2023 presentation ideas. If you are aware of any events, such as a resource fair, where we can share information about the WCPAC, please reach out to the Executive Board.

V. Vice Chairperson Report-

If you need any paperwork, a new member pack or need to update any of your contact information, please contact Jennifer Seal. Have a wonderful summer! Take time to relax and we'll see you in the fall.

VI. Secretary Report- If you need business cards please contact Samara Wolf. Even though we are not meeting in-person please make sure you sign in at each meeting not just for minute purposes but also for year-end mileage reimbursement (only applies for in-person meetings). If attending a virtual meeting, please make sure a member of the board knows you are in attendance.

VII. Treasurer Report - The account balance is \$2,251.30.

VIII. Subcommittee Reports-

Membership- Membership packets will be sent out via the listserv at the end of August or beginning of September.

IX. RESA Reports –

Vita Lusk and Celeste Johnson - Focus areas shared at previous meetings are ongoing. Thank you for your commitment to the work in your districts. Have a wonderful summer!

X. Member Reports-

Joanne Goree- Joanne is excited about a DPSCD sponsored event that she and her son attended, which included vendors and resources for all in attendance.

Tracee Wilson- Tracee's daughter's graduated from kindergarten and will be a 1st grader. Mom is excited about the progress her daughter has made and she's so proud of her accomplishments. Tracee is going to enjoy her summer and take it one moment at a time.

Eileen Brandt- Blue Cross Blue Shield may be covering ABA services for adults over the age of 21 (please contact BCBS for specific details regarding your policy). Eileen shared information about Joni and Friends, which is a retreat for families and children with disabilities.

Samara Wolf- Samara's son made the 200 Percent Club at his school and he is doing his best. Samara is proud of him.

XI. Public Comment – No reports at this time.

XII. Adjournment

A motion was made by Samara Wolf and seconded by Jennifer Seal to adjourn the meeting at 8:23 p.m. Motion passed by majority present. No objections were made.

The next WCPAC meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 8, 2022, at 6:30pm. This meeting will be held virtually.

In-person meetings are held at Wayne RESA in the Boyd Arthur's Auditorium.