Budget Hearing
June 15, 2022

MINUTES

A. Call to Order
The Budget Hearing Meeting of the Board of Education of the Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency was called to order by President Funderburg on June 15, 2022 at 8:29 a.m.

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

C. Approval of Agenda
Member Blackmon supported, by Member Petrie, moved to approve the agenda, as presented. On voice vote, the motion carried 3-0.

D. Presentation of Wayne RESA 2022-23 Budget
Tamara Dust, Executive Director of Finance and Compliance and Andrew McMechan, Executive Director of Finance and Compliance reviewed and presented the Wayne RESA 2022-23 Preliminary Budget. Items presented included:

2022 Millage Rates
General Fund/WRESA Operations 0.0956 mills
County Voted Special Ed 3.3443 mills
County Schools Enhancement 1.9876 mills

Note: Millage rates are affected by the Headlee amendment for the upcoming year and are subject to a permanent millage reduction factor of .9955 for the Special Education and Operating millage and .9957 for the Enhancement millage.

E. Review of School District Budget Resolutions
Deputy Superintendent Steve Ezikian reported that 30 Budget Resolutions were received from Wayne County districts. Twenty-nine (29) and 29 were in support/approval of WRESA’s budget and Livonia Public Schools Board of Education did not support WRESA’s budget. Livonia submitted a letter to Board President Funderburg, that was presented to the board, expressing concern regarding Act 18 fund payments. They asked that the Wayne RESA Board reconsider the planned expenditures for the Act 18 budget and include the transportation reimbursement payment in the proposed budget.

F. Public Participation - None.

G. Presentation of School District of the City of Inkster 2022-2023 Budget
Tamara Dust, Executive Director of Finance and Compliance and Andrew McMechan, Executive Director of Finance and Compliance reviewed and presented the School District of the City of
Inkster preliminary 2022-2023 Budget. Inkster School District remains as a limited separate entity and taxing unit for the limited purpose of levying and collecting taxes until the district’s debt is retired or refunded. The Intermediate School District has been named by law to perform the functions of the dissolved school district relating to the settlement of the debt.

Items presented included:

**2022 Millage Rates**
- General Fund 16.3585 mills on Non-Homestead Property
- General Fund 4.3585 mills on Commercial Personal Property
- Debt Fund 13.0 mills

Note: The millage rate for general operations has been reduced by the Headlee millage reduction fraction for the current year as property values rose at a higher rate than did inflation.

Board Member Blackmon asked if and how this information is communicated with citizens. Ms. Dust shared that RESA has communicated with the City Treasurer and RESA receives calls from property owners inquiring about the millage on their tax forms.

**H. Public Participation**
As Tamara Dust prepares for retirement, she thanked the Wayne RESA Board of Education and Superintendent Dr. Colbert for their support throughout the years, and expressed her gratitude, admiration, and respect for the Board, Dr. Colbert, and the entire RESA organization.

Board Member Blackmon expressed extreme appreciation to Tamara Dust for her years of service at Wayne RESA. She thanked her for her partnership with Wayne County districts and Deputy Superintendent Steve Ezikian, and for her contribution to the reputation of RESA. She wished Ms. Dust the best on behalf of the Board.

Member Petrie shared his appreciation and kudos with Tamara Dust for a job well done.

President Funderburg shared similar sentiments and thanked Ms. Dust for taking the time to assist and provide understanding when she began serving on the Wayne RESA Board.

**I. Adjournment**
Member Petrie, supported by Member Blackmon, moved to adjourn the meeting. On voice vote, motion carried 3-0.

President Funderburg adjourned the meeting at 9:00 a.m.

Submitted by: [Signature]
James Petrie, Secretary