Wayne Regional Educational Service Agency
Board of Education

Special Meeting
December 20, 2022

Education Center · 33500 Van Born Road · Wayne, Michigan

MINUTES

A. Call to Order
The Special Meeting of the Board of Education of the Wayne Regional Educational Service Agency was called to order by President Beri on December 20, 2022, at 4:00 p.m.

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

C. Pledge of Allegiance

D. Approval of Agenda
Member Blackmon, supported by Member Funderburg, moved that the agenda be approved as presented. On voice vote, the motion carried 4-0.

E. Public Participation - None

F. Review of Candidate Applications
Letters of intent and resumes for eight (8) candidates were provided to the board for review.

G. Candidate Interviews
Candidate interview slots were determined by the order of application submission. Interviews were 15 minutes, and each candidate was asked the same 7 questions. At the conclusion of the interviews, roll call votes were taken in rounds:

- Round 1 – Each board member was asked to pick their top 5 candidates (in no particular order). Candidates with 3 or more total votes advanced: Laura Luecke, Christopher Prawdzik and Dr. Joshua Scroggins
- Round 2 – Each board member was asked to pick their top 2 candidates (in no particular order). Candidates with 3 or more total votes advanced: Laura Luecke and Dr. Joshua Scroggins
- Round 3 – Each board member was asked to choose one candidate for appointment. The votes were split 2 votes (Beri and Petrie) in favor of Laura Luecke and 2 votes (Blackmon and Funderburg) in favor of Dr. Joshua Scroggins.

After discussion, a final roll call vote was taken with Laura Luecke receiving 4 votes.

H. Action Item(s)
1. Member Petrie, supported by Member Blackmon, moved that the Wayne RESA Board of Education appoint Laura Luecke to the vacated seat on the Allen Park Public Schools Board of Education for a
term to expire December 31, 2024. On roll call vote, the motion carried 4-0: Beri–Yes, Blackmon–Yes, Funderburg–Yes, Petrie–Yes

I. General Board Comments
Member Blackmon shared appreciation to those candidates who applied and interviewed. She encouraged them to continue to support Allen Park Public Schools.

Member Petrie expressed that this appointment was a difficult decision to make but added that this is one of the duties of the Intermediate School District (ISD). He asked candidates to join the county efforts and continue to support Allen Park Public Schools.

President Beri recognized the Allen Park Public Schools board members in attendance and said he hoped they received some helpful information from candidate responses that can be taken back as part of discussions to continue to support the district. He also complimented the district’s board and superintendent.

J. Adjournment
Member Petrie, supported by Member Funderburg, moved to adjourn the meeting. On voice vote, the motion carried 4-0. President Beri adjourned the meeting at 7:22 p.m.

Submitted by:  
James Petrie, Secretary