



Wayne County Parent Advisory Committee

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MEETING MINUTES
September 14, 2023

Call to Order

Kara Clarke called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m. A quorum of members was present.

Members Present: -

Melissa Richardson Allen Park	Jouhaina Bazzi Dearborn	Angela Khater Dearborn	Elena Mirea Garden City	Crystle Upshaw Lincoln Park
Eileen Brandt Livonia	Kara Clarke Livonia	Michelle DeJesus MeINAP	Clare Brick Northville	Samara Wolf Taylor Prep
Tenisha Williams Westwood				

Members Excused: Jennifer Seal, Rosalind Pope, Priscilla Grossenheider-Albano, Tracee Winston

Guests Present: Joann Goree, Sandy Borgne, Darlene Heard-Thomas, Saunda Cunningham,
Lisa-Marie Bailey, Sharene Nathan, Laila Ismael, Charles Hallman

RESA Representatives: Vita Lusk, Dr. Jennifer Taiariol

Dates to Remember

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<i>Next Meeting on October 12, 2023</i>	<i>Dinner meeting at RESA</i>
<i>November 9, 2023</i>	<i>Virtual Meeting</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 Eileen Brandt and seconded by Samara Wolf to accept the agenda. Motion was supported by a majority of members present. No objections were made.

Objections: _____

II. Approval of Minutes

A copy of the meeting minutes from the last meeting was emailed and posted to the website for members in advance. A motion was made by Eileen Brandt and seconded by Samara Wolf to accept the minutes as noted. Motion supported by majority present. No objections were made.

Objections: _____

III. Presentation:

Dr. Jennifer Taiariol

Assistant Superintendent Special Education & Early Intervention Services

Dr. Taiariol was introduced to the WCPAC as the new Assistant Superintendent Special Education & Early Intervention Services. She shared some information about herself and that the revision of the County Plan for Delivery of Services has been officially approved by the state. It can be reviewed on the [RESA Website](#).

Member Orientation/Review

Kara Clarke & Victoria Martinez

Member packets reviewed. All documents are now on the WCPAC Google Drive. Link shared via listserv.

One major change from previous years has to do with conference attendance. Effective immediately, there is a minimum of 3-month notice for any sponsored conference that you want to attend. Registration and fees may not exceed \$600. To request conference sponsorship, you may complete the application for conference attendance. To share resources and information, there is a conference summary report that is due within one week of conference attendance. All the information for this can be found in the Member Folder on the Google Drive.

IV. Chairperson Report –

October meeting reminder – This is a dinner meeting with the Directors. Please be sure to RSVP no later than October 1st. Just a reminder – the meeting will begin at 6p and dinner will be served at 615p. Once everyone is seated and with their food, our presentation will begin.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfggSpzqEiNRwtHWT-ztp2GE3MhTq53goZJOk6Uc2S6uzlyQ/viewform>

Here are links to the conferences that were mentioned.

MTSA (MI Transition Services Association)

<https://www.michigantsa.org/2024-mtsa-conference/>

MI CEC (MI Council for Exceptional Children)

<https://michigancec.org/events/84th-annual-michigan-council-exceptional-children-conference>

START (Statewide Autism Resources & Training)

<https://www.gvsu.edu/autismcenter/start-conference-167.htm>

- V. Vice Chairperson Report- If you have not received the link for the Google Drive, or if any of your contact information has changed, please contact Victoria Martinez.

- VI. Secretary Report- If you need business cards, please contact Samara Wolf. Please make sure you sign in at each meeting you attend, not just for minute purposes but also for year-end mileage

reimbursement (only applies for in-person meetings).

VII. Treasurer Report - The account balance is \$1808.40.

VIII. Subcommittee Reports-

We need YOU! Here is the link where you can sign up for the subcommittee of your choice! Please see the Member Folder on the Google Drive for the details of each subcommittee. If you have any questions, please reach out to Kara, Victoria, or any member of the Executive Board.

[Subcommittee Sign Up - click here!](#)

IX. RESA Reports – Vita Lusk

Welcome Back!

X. Member Reports-

Members shared information about the following conferences:

October 11-14th [11th Annual Michigan Autism Conference](#) in Kalamazoo.

October 13 & 14th [Learning Disabilities Association of Michigan Conference](#) in Troy.

XI. Adjournment

A motion was made by Samara Wolf and seconded by Victoria Martinez to adjourn the meeting at 7:31 p.m. Motion passed by majority present. No objections were made.

The next WCPAC meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 12, 2023,
at 6:00 p.m. at Wayne RESA.

Friendly Reminder- the October meeting is a dinner meeting with the Directors.

Please RSVP by October 1, 2023 (link above).

The meeting begins at 6 p.m., and dinner will be served at 6:15 p.m...