

Wayne Regional Educational Service Agency Board of Education

Board Study Session November 13, 2023 Room 223

MINUTES

A. Call to Order – President Jackson called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

B. Roll Call

Present: Mary Blackmon, Danielle Funderburg (5:07 p.m. arrival), Lynda Jackson and James Petrie

Absent: James Beri (excused)

Also present: Dr. Daveda Colbert and Drew McMechan

C. Approval of Agenda

Member Petrie, supported by Member Blackmon, moved that the agenda be approved, as presented. On voice vote, motion carried 3-0.

D. Public Participation - None.

E. Budget Discussion: Organizational Financial Audit

Drew McMechan, Assistant Superintendent of Financial Services reviewed the financial audit documents submitted by Plante Moran for Wayne RESA and the School District for the City of Inkster and addressed questions raised by the Board of Education from the review.

F. Superintendent Discussion Items

- Regional Enhancement Millage The proposed November 2024 ballot initiative that will be presented to districts was shared with the Board. Ongoing updates will be provided.
- An update on the third part litigation where lawsuit Wayne RESA and MDE are named in a lawsuit against Hamtramck Public Schools. The Board will be informed as new developments arise.
- There was discussion about issues Wayne County Districts are currently facing and updates were provided by Dr. Colbert.
- Member Petrie requested a copy of the independent report by Guidepost regarding the Oxford High School shooting. Dr. Colbert will forward the report to board members.
- Member Petrie also inquired about visits to districts this school year. Dr. Colbert will work on a schedule of visits to Wayne County districts and programs to present to the Board.
- The Board was reminded of the Inkster Unveiling and Ribbon Cutting of Commemorative Signage Ceremony at the former Baylor Woodson School and Community Center, currently the Burger Baylor Campus, on Wednesday, November 15, 2023, 12:00 p.m.

G. Adjournment

Member Petrie, supported by Member Funderburg, moved that the meeting be adjourned at 6:56 p.m. On voice vote, motion carried 4-0.

Submitted by: Mary E. Blackmon, Secretary