Special Meeting of the Board of Education Wayne-Westland Community Schools Wednesday, March 13, 2024 5:30 p.m. 36745 Marquette, Westland MI 48185

#### Minutes

### 268.24 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG – Gray

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Bradley Gray.

269.24 ROLL CALL/ATTENDANCE – Weaver

Board members present: LeWanna Abney-Mitchell, David R. Cox, Bradley Gray, Mark F. Neal, Frederick L. Weaver, Th.D.

Board members absent: Melandie Hines, Kimberly R. May

270.24 CITIZEN'S COMMENTS: AGENDA ITEMS – Gray

There were no public comments.

271.24 ADJOURNMENT TO A CLOSED SESSION – Gray

NOTE: There may or may not be action taken by the Board following the closed session

Resolved, that the Board of Education adjourn to a closed session according to 8(h) [To consider material exempt from discussion or disclosure by state or federal statute.] according to the Open Meetings Act. Motion to close the meeting at 5:33 p.m. by L. Abney-Mitchell, supported by M. Neal.

ROLL CALL VOTE

AYES:5NAYS:0ABSTAIN:0ABSENT:2 (Hines, May)

MOTION PASSED

272.24 MOTION TO AN OPEN MEETING – Gray

Resolved, that the Board of Education return to an open meeting at 7:19 p.m. Motion by M. Neal, support by F. Weaver.

AYES:5NAYS:0ABSTAIN:0ABSENT:2 (Hines, May)

MOTION PASSED

### 273.24 SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS – Dignan

Dr. Dignan May shared the following comments from a prepared statement:

I wanted to take a moment to extend my heartfelt thanks and gratitude to each team member for their assistance and support during our Sophomore College Fair, especially CCR & Upward Bound Program.

**WW Soaring Stripes 3 V 3 Basketball Tournament** will be a fundraiser for the elementary activities program. It will be on Saturday, May 11 at John Glenn High School.

- Registration opened on Saturday, March 9 at the last elementary basketball game.
- The event is scheduled for May 11, a 3 V 3 basketball tournament aims to attract 60-80 teams with a maximum capacity of 100 teams.

**Threads for Success 2024:** introduction emails went out to the students on Saturday regarding the Threads for Success event and the students/parents will receive a letter sent to their home this week. Students also will be able to apply for the Jack Philip scholarship. It should be north of \$1500 this year and it would be great to see your students apply.

 Saturday, March 23rd at Durfee Innovation Society - 2470 Collingwood St, Detroit, MI 48206

**DIA Field Trips:** We established a partnership with the DIA for field trips this past year. There were several people from the district team that brought this to fruition. The DIA covers all the transportation, and the admission is covered as well. Food Service provides bag lunches the day of the trips. We have spent the last few years building capstone events for various grade levels and it's wonderful to see all the student opportunities that have been created from the hard work of the WWCS Team.

**2024 Discover Your Path:** We are hosting our 2nd annual Discover Your Path event for about 700 of our 8th graders on Wednesday, March 20, 2024 at Hype Recreation Center in Wayne. Our students will visit your hands-on activity throughout the morning.

**WWCS Culture and Diversity Festival April 25, 2024:** Join us for an exciting evening filled with food from around the world, vibrant cultural attire, dance performances, and valuable resources for both students and families!

274.24 CITIZEN'S COMMENTS: NON-AGENDA ITEMS – Gray

There were no public comments.

275.24 REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS, BOARD OF EDUCATION – Gray

M. Neal shared the following comments:

- No comments.
- L. Abney-Mitchell shared the following comments:
  - Attended the College and Career Readiness 10th Grade College Fair, which was a great event.
- D. Cox shared the following comments:
  - Thanked the administration for the presentation.
- F. Weaver shared the following comments:
  - Thanked the administration for the very productive meeting.
- B. Gray shared the following comments:
  - Thanked the administration and the business department for the preparation for next week's Mid-Year Budget Presentation.
  - Thanked everyone for coming to the special meeting.

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