

Minutes

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Ms. Dybus discussed the partnership between Wayne-Westland Community Schools and Big Green Detroit. Big Green Detroit provides raised garden beds, seeds, soil and academic and educational resources. Social Emotional Learning is so much more than a curriculum. This program teaches students to work as a team.

As a reminder, our district has three Family Resource Centers in the district. The Family Resource Center can help families seek resources or services, offer laundry assistance and needed school or hygiene materials.

257.23 CITIZEN'S COMMENTS: AGENDA ITEMS – Cox

There were no public comments.

258.23 CONSENT AGENDA

I. MINUTES

a. Regular Meeting Minutes – April 24, 2023

II. HUMAN RESOURCE ITEMS

a. Resignations: Instructional, Non-Instructional Personnel

Nellie Maltby
David Perrotta
Heather Martinez-Varieur

b. Placements: Instructional, Non-Instructional, Non-Affiliated Personnel

Christina McAtee
Angel Epps
Misty Fogg
D'Andra Kaminski-Foulks
Geraldine McBride-Edward
Chad Reed
Janice Andretich
Maya Bobrovnikov
Aaliyah Braddy
Anita Fahey
Heather Hawkes
Maddison Jenkinson
Jordan Khalaf
Lisa Morton

Jayuan Peete
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Marlene Selvia
Jeremy Singleton
Madysen Steele
Jonathan Turner
Dawn Wade

- c. Assistant Superintendent's Contract Amendments (4) –
(under separate cover)

III. BUSINESS & FINANCE ITEMS

- a. Payment of Invoices (under separate cover)
- b. Investment Report (under separate cover)

IV. CITY OF WESTLAND NEIGHBORHOOD STABILIZATION PROGRAM

V. SENIOR SUPPORT PROPOSAL (under separate cover)

VI. HEAD START MONTHLY REPORT (under separate cover)

VII. DONATIONS

The following donation was made to the John Glenn High School Athletic Department for the baseball program:

- a. Derek Cochran: Monetary donation

The following donation was made to Wayne-Westland Community Schools to support student volunteers for professional development day:

- a. Wayne Ford Civic League – Vic Barra: Monetary donation

The following donation was made to Wayne-Westland Community Schools to support breakfast for Discover Your Path industry participants:

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The following donations were made to John Glenn High School's Robotics Team:

- a. Deloitte Smart Factory – Monetary donation
- b. Community Financial Credit Union – Monetary donation
- c. National Realty Center – Monetary donation

Resolved, that the board approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion by F. Weaver, support by M. Neal.

ROLL CALL VOTE

AYES: 6
NAYS: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 1

MOTION PASSED

259.23 BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT – Cox

I. Finance Committee Report – May

Ms. May shared the following comments from a prepared statement:

The Finance Committee Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Wayne-Westland Community Schools was held May 4, 2023, beginning at 4:31 pm via Zoom platform.

Mr. Wenzel presented technology purchases that will be charged to Title I and the General Fund.

Mr. Spisak and Mr. Underwood shared details of the bid opening.

Mr. Spisak and Mr. VanderZee provided an update regarding the security program investment as well as information regarding protecting our security system upgrades.

Mrs. Cleaves presented the investment report and check register.

Mrs. Cleaves also shared comments on behalf of Dr. Dignan.

Each board member thanked the staff for their presentations.

260.23 REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF BUSINESS SERVICE & FINANCE – Ofili

I. Recommendation to Purchase Title I Technology

Resolved, that the board approve Business Service & Finance Item I. as presented. Motion by J. Albrecht support by F. Weaver.

ROLL CALL VOTE

AYES: 6
NAYS: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 1

MOTION PASSED

II. Recommendation to Purchase Title I Headsets & Headphones –
Elementary and Middle School

Resolved, that the board approve Business Service & Finance Item II. as presented. Motion by J. Albrecht, support by K. May.

ROLL CALL VOTE

AYES: 6
NAYS: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 1

MOTION PASSED

III. Recommendation to Approve Bid Pack #10 – Adams, Stottlemeyer and
Kennedy Center

Resolved, that the board approve Business Service & Finance Item III. as presented. Motion by M. Neal, support by F. Weaver.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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NAYS: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 1

MOTION PASSED

IV. Recommendation to Extend Technology Service Contracts

Resolved, that the board approve Business Service & Finance Item IV. as presented. Motion by K. May, support by M. Neal.

ROLL CALL VOTE

AYES: 6
NAYS: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 1

MOTION PASSED

261.23 STUDENT REINSTATEMENT (under separate cover) – Tocco

Resolved, that the board reinstate Student 2223-C according to the terms and conditions of the Resolution. Motion by J. Albrecht, support by F. Weaver.

ROLL CALL VOTE

AYES: 6
NAYS: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 1

MOTION PASSED

262.23 REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF WAYNE COUNTY REGIONAL EDUCATIONAL SERVICE AGENCY (WAYNE RESA) BUDGET RESOLUTION – Cox

Resolved, that the board approve the Wayne RESA 2023-2024 budget and waive the need to read the enclosed resolution. Motion by M. Hines, support by K. May.

ROLL CALL VOTE

AYES: 6
NAYS: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 1

MOTION PASSED

263.23 REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF WAYNE COUNTY REGIONAL EDUCATIONAL SERVICE AGENCY (WAYNE RESA) ELECTION REPRESENTATIVE RESOLUTION – Cox

Resolved, that the board approve the Wayne RESA Election Representative resolution. Motion by J. Albrecht, support by F. Weaver.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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NAYS: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 1

MOTION PASSED

264.23 SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT/COMMENTS – Dignan

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

Discover Your Path was held at Hype in Wayne. All of our 8th graders and WWIA students will participate in hands-on activities from over 40 industry partners!

LIUNA Event: As a district, we have been making a real push into the "Trades". This is a viable option and we want to educate students and families around all opportunities. We have 8 of Wayne-Westland Community Schools first youth apprentices...And the FIRST in Wayne County! Our students will do summer internships starting this year.

John Glenn teacher hits a high note: Ms. Andrea Bonner, a John Glenn High School music education teacher, was recognized as an Exceptional Educator through a program created by the Giroux Pappas Trial Attorneys Law Firm. Ms. Bonner was nominated for her commitment to music education. She leads music appreciation, choir, band, symphonic, and orchestra classes and is the marching band director. John Glenn High School received a \$1,000 donation from the law firm.

Work-Based Learning: We had 173 students out on Work-Based Learning that required a visit by an instructor and a training agreement. Some of these were paid jobs and some were unpaid internships or clinical, but they were out receiving hands-on training in all. A special "thank you" to Gay Bobowski, CTC Work-Based Learning Coordinator. She has done an incredible job this year.

Fifth graders explore career paths at Eastern Michigan University: For two weeks, 800 district fifth graders took over the Eastern Michigan University campus for the Wayne-Westland Excursion camp. Students explored two career paths of their choice and on the final day, campers celebrated their experience by showcasing projects related to their field of study, including dance routines, dramatic scenes, and creative art projects. This camp is part of the district's college and career readiness initiatives.

Register now for summer programs! Wayne-Westland Community Schools has partnered with several community organizations to provide a variety of exciting programs to keep your child engaged this summer. Information and registration links can be found in the 2023 Summer Programs Information Guide on the District Website. Program placement is on a first-come, first-serve basis.

The Oxford Fire Department donated a fire truck to William D. Ford Career-Technical Center. We are so thankful to our friends Chief Matthew Majestic and Assistant Chief Randy Vesper. This fire truck will train the next generation of great firefighters.

This week we have Young Sharks and the Community of Champions Breakfast.

The countdown is on! This week is the last week of school for the Class of 2023. Our seniors and their families will celebrate prom, award ceremonies and graduation. We are very proud of our students and wish them the best of luck.

Graduation Celebration: Please join us for our district's three graduation ceremonies. On June 2nd at 6:00 pm at the Hype Recreation Center, located at 4635 Howe Rd, Wayne, MI 48184, we will celebrate our students from Wayne-Westland Innovative Academy. Then, the next day we will honor John Glenn High School at 10:00 am and Wayne-Memorial High School at 2:00 pm. Both ceremonies will be held at the Eastern Michigan University George Gervin GameAbove Center, located at 799 N. Hewitt, Ypsilanti, Mi. 48197.

Save the Date - Back to School and Resource Fair 8.16.23: Wayne-Westland Community Schools is hosting its Back to School and Resource Fair on Wednesday, August 16, 2023, from 3 to 7 p.m. at the John Glenn High School football field. The fair will feature family resources, including health screenings and book bags with supplies. In addition, attendees can enjoy food, carnival games, train rides, a petting zoo and more. All for FREE. Be sure to mark your calendar and join us for the fun. All students must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian.

265.23 CITIZEN'S COMMENTS: NON-AGENDA ITEMS (GENERAL) – Cox

The following citizens commented that they believe Ms. Swanson should remain the principal at Wildwood Elementary School:

Melinda Harris
Alex Itter
Hadligh Yoh
Jackson Cunningham
Jaxson Cunningham
Natalie Whaley

Kevin Carter
Thomas Truchan
Abigail Krappitz
Julie King
Theron Allen
Maja Cunningham
Ellie Truchan
Serenity (Last name unknown)
Morgan (Last name unknown)

Dr. Fleda Fleming, from the Equipped Organization shared that their organization will be honoring two students from Johns Glenn High School and Two students from Wayne Memorial High School each with a \$1000 Scholarship.

266.23 REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS, BOARD OF EDUCATION – Cox

K. May:

- Thanked all of the presenters, pledge students and citizens.
- Thanked all students, staff and families for all of their hard work in the outstanding school year.

M. Hines:

- Thanked the pledge students and citizens.
- Shared that she had an opportunity to attend:
 - The skilled trades career fair and it was an awesome experience
 - School improvement dinner
 - William D. Ford's extrication performed by the Fire and EMT program and the home build by Construction Trades program
 - High school plays
 - The Holocaust Museum

F. Weaver:

- Thanked Amada Dybus and Daryl Beebe for their presentation.

M. Neal:

- Acknowledged that are not as many people as there use to be signing up to serve the community. It is great that we offer the programs to educate the students about civil service opportunities.

J. Albrecht:

- Thanked the pledge students and all speakers.
- He was appreciative that the students and families shared their feelings.

D. Cox:

- Thanked the parents of the students for bringing them to address the board.

- Shared that every student and employee has a path.
- Family Resource Center is a great resource, but families cannot use the resources if they do not know how to obtain them.
- The Wayne-Westland Relay for Life will be held June 10, from 11am – Midnight located at Tattan Park in Westland.
- Thanked Dr. Dignan for making the decisions that the district needs.

267.23 ADJOURNMENT

Resolved, that the board adjourn the meeting at 9:19 p.m. Motion by M. Hines, support by K. May.

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program was continued this year and was a great success. Each elementary school library now offers mental health books.

Ms. Dybus discussed the partnership between Wayne-Westland Community Schools and Big Green Detroit. Big Green Detroit provides raised garden beds, seeds, soil and academic and educational resources. Social Emotional Learning is so much more than a curriculum. This program teaches students to work as a team.

As a reminder, our district has three Family Resource Centers in the district. The Family Resource Center can help families seek resources or services, offer laundry assistance and needed school or hygiene materials.

257.23 CITIZEN'S COMMENTS: AGENDA ITEMS – Cox

There were no public comments.

258.23 CONSENT AGENDA

I. MINUTES

a. Regular Meeting Minutes – April 24, 2023

II. HUMAN RESOURCE ITEMS

a. Resignations: Instructional, Non-Instructional Personnel

Nellie Maltby
David Perrotta
Heather Martinez-Varieur

b. Placements: Instructional, Non-Instructional, Non-Affiliated Personnel

Christina McAtee
Angel Epps
Misty Fogg
D'Andra Kaminski-Foulks
Geraldine McBride-Edward
Chad Reed
Janice Andretich
Maya Bobrovnikov
Aaliyah Braddy
Anita Fahey
Heather Hawkes
Maddison Jenkinson
Jordan Khalaf
Lisa Morton

Jayuan Peete
Jawuan Peete
Marlene Selvia
Jeremy Singleton
Madysen Steele
Jonathan Turner
Dawn Wade

- c. Assistant Superintendent's Contract Amendments (4) –
(under separate cover)

III. BUSINESS & FINANCE ITEMS

- a. Payment of Invoices (under separate cover)
- b. Investment Report (under separate cover)

IV. CITY OF WESTLAND NEIGHBORHOOD STABILIZATION PROGRAM

V. SENIOR SUPPORT PROPOSAL (under separate cover)

VI. HEAD START MONTHLY REPORT (under separate cover)

VII. DONATIONS

The following donation was made to the John Glenn High School Athletic Department for the baseball program:

- a. Derek Cochran: Monetary donation

The following donation was made to Wayne-Westland Community Schools to support student volunteers for professional development day:

- a. Wayne Ford Civic League – Vic Barra: Monetary donation

The following donation was made to Wayne-Westland Community Schools to support breakfast for Discover Your Path industry participants:

- a. Wayne Ford Civic League – Vic Barra: Monetary donation

The following donations were made to John Glenn High School's Robotics Team:

- a. Deloitte Smart Factory – Monetary donation
- b. Community Financial Credit Union – Monetary donation
- c. National Realty Center – Monetary donation

Resolved, that the board approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion by F. Weaver, support by M. Neal.

ROLL CALL VOTE

AYES: 6
NAYS: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 1

MOTION PASSED

259.23 BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT – Cox

I. Finance Committee Report – May

Ms. May shared the following comments from a prepared statement:

The Finance Committee Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Wayne-Westland Community Schools was held May 4, 2023, beginning at 4:31 pm via Zoom platform.

Mr. Wenzel presented technology purchases that will be charged to Title I and the General Fund.

Mr. Spisak and Mr. Underwood shared details of the bid opening.

Mr. Spisak and Mr. VanderZee provided an update regarding the security program investment as well as information regarding protecting our security system upgrades.

Mrs. Cleaves presented the investment report and check register.

Mrs. Cleaves also shared comments on behalf of Dr. Dignan.

Each board member thanked the staff for their presentations.

260.23 REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF BUSINESS SERVICE & FINANCE – Ofili

I. Recommendation to Purchase Title I Technology

Resolved, that the board approve Business Service & Finance Item I. as presented. Motion by J. Albrecht support by F. Weaver.

ROLL CALL VOTE

AYES: 6
NAYS: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 1

MOTION PASSED

II. Recommendation to Purchase Title I Headsets & Headphones –
Elementary and Middle School

Resolved, that the board approve Business Service & Finance Item II. as presented. Motion by J. Albrecht, support by K. May.

ROLL CALL VOTE

AYES: 6
NAYS: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 1

MOTION PASSED

III. Recommendation to Approve Bid Pack #10 – Adams, Stottlemeyer and
Kennedy Center

Resolved, that the board approve Business Service & Finance Item III. as presented. Motion by M. Neal, support by F. Weaver.

ROLL CALL VOTE

AYES: 6
NAYS: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 1

MOTION PASSED

IV. Recommendation to Extend Technology Service Contracts

Resolved, that the board approve Business Service & Finance Item IV. as presented. Motion by K. May, support by M. Neal.

ROLL CALL VOTE

AYES: 6
NAYS: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 1

MOTION PASSED

261.23 STUDENT REINSTATEMENT (under separate cover) – Tocco

Resolved, that the board reinstate Student 2223-C according to the terms and conditions of the Resolution. Motion by J. Albrecht, support by F. Weaver.

ROLL CALL VOTE

AYES: 6
NAYS: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 1

MOTION PASSED

262.23 REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF WAYNE COUNTY REGIONAL EDUCATIONAL SERVICE AGENCY (WAYNE RESA) BUDGET RESOLUTION – Cox

Resolved, that the board approve the Wayne RESA 2023-2024 budget and waive the need to read the enclosed resolution. Motion by M. Hines, support by K. May.

ROLL CALL VOTE

AYES: 6
NAYS: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 1

MOTION PASSED

263.23 REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF WAYNE COUNTY REGIONAL EDUCATIONAL SERVICE AGENCY (WAYNE RESA) ELECTION REPRESENTATIVE RESOLUTION – Cox

Resolved, that the board approve the Wayne RESA Election Representative resolution. Motion by J. Albrecht, support by F. Weaver.

ROLL CALL VOTE

AYES: 6
NAYS: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 1

MOTION PASSED

264.23 SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT/COMMENTS – Dignan

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

Discover Your Path was held at Hype in Wayne. All of our 8th graders and WWIA students will participate in hands-on activities from over 40 industry partners!

LIUNA Event: As a district, we have been making a real push into the "Trades". This is a viable option and we want to educate students and families around all opportunities. We have 8 of Wayne-Westland Community Schools first youth apprentices...And the FIRST in Wayne County! Our students will do summer internships starting this year.

John Glenn teacher hits a high note: Ms. Andrea Bonner, a John Glenn High School music education teacher, was recognized as an Exceptional Educator through a program created by the Giroux Pappas Trial Attorneys Law Firm. Ms. Bonner was nominated for her commitment to music education. She leads music appreciation, choir, band, symphonic, and orchestra classes and is the marching band director. John Glenn High School received a \$1,000 donation from the law firm.

Work-Based Learning: We had 173 students out on Work-Based Learning that required a visit by an instructor and a training agreement. Some of these were paid jobs and some were unpaid internships or clinical, but they were out receiving hands-on training in all. A special "thank you" to Gay Bobowski, CTC Work-Based Learning Coordinator. She has done an incredible job this year.

Fifth graders explore career paths at Eastern Michigan University: For two weeks, 800 district fifth graders took over the Eastern Michigan University campus for the Wayne-Westland Excursion camp. Students explored two career paths of their choice and on the final day, campers celebrated their experience by showcasing projects related to their field of study, including dance routines, dramatic scenes, and creative art projects. This camp is part of the district's college and career readiness initiatives.

Register now for summer programs! Wayne-Westland Community Schools has partnered with several community organizations to provide a variety of exciting programs to keep your child engaged this summer. Information and registration links can be found in the 2023 Summer Programs Information Guide on the District Website. Program placement is on a first-come, first-serve basis.

The Oxford Fire Department donated a fire truck to William D. Ford Career-Technical Center. We are so thankful to our friends Chief Matthew Majestic and Assistant Chief Randy Vesper. This fire truck will train the next generation of great firefighters.

This week we have Young Sharks and the Community of Champions Breakfast.

The countdown is on! This week is the last week of school for the Class of 2023. Our seniors and their families will celebrate prom, award ceremonies and graduation. We are very proud of our students and wish them the best of luck.

Graduation Celebration: Please join us for our district's three graduation ceremonies. On June 2nd at 6:00 pm at the Hype Recreation Center, located at 4635 Howe Rd, Wayne, MI 48184, we will celebrate our students from Wayne-Westland Innovative Academy. Then, the next day we will honor John Glenn High School at 10:00 am and Wayne-Memorial High School at 2:00 pm. Both ceremonies will be held at the Eastern Michigan University George Gervin GameAbove Center, located at 799 N. Hewitt, Ypsilanti, Mi. 48197.

Save the Date - Back to School and Resource Fair 8.16.23: Wayne-Westland Community Schools is hosting its Back to School and Resource Fair on Wednesday, August 16, 2023, from 3 to 7 p.m. at the John Glenn High School football field. The fair will feature family resources, including health screenings and book bags with supplies. In addition, attendees can enjoy food, carnival games, train rides, a petting zoo and more. All for FREE. Be sure to mark your calendar and join us for the fun. All students must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian.

265.23 CITIZEN'S COMMENTS: NON-AGENDA ITEMS (GENERAL) – Cox

The following citizens commented that they believe Ms. Swanson should remain the principal at Wildwood Elementary School:

Melinda Harris
Alex Itter
Hadligh Yoh
Jackson Cunningham
Jaxson Cunningham
Natalie Whaley

Kevin Carter
Thomas Truchan
Abigail Krappitz
Julie King
Theron Allen
Maja Cunningham
Ellie Truchan
Serenity (Last name unknown)
Morgan (Last name unknown)

Dr. Fleda Fleming, from the Equipped Organization shared that their organization will be honoring two students from Johns Glenn High School and Two students from Wayne Memorial High School each with a \$1000 Scholarship.

266.23 REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS, BOARD OF EDUCATION – Cox

K. May:

- Thanked all of the presenters, pledge students and citizens.
- Thanked all students, staff and families for all of their hard work in the outstanding school year.

M. Hines:

- Thanked the pledge students and citizens.
- Shared that she had an opportunity to attend:
 - The skilled trades career fair and it was an awesome experience
 - School improvement dinner
 - William D. Ford's extrication performed by the Fire and EMT program and the home build by Construction Trades program
 - High school plays
 - The Holocaust Museum

F. Weaver:

- Thanked Amada Dybus and Daryl Beebe for their presentation.

M. Neal:

- Acknowledged that are not as many people as there use to be signing up to serve the community. It is great that we offer the programs to educate the students about civil service opportunities.

J. Albrecht:

- Thanked the pledge students and all speakers.
- He was appreciative that the students and families shared their feelings.

D. Cox:

- Thanked the parents of the students for bringing them to address the board.

- Shared that every student and employee has a path.
- Family Resource Center is a great resource, but families cannot use the resources if they do not know how to obtain them.
- The Wayne-Westland Relay for Life will be held June 10, from 11am – Midnight located at Tattan Park in Westland.
- Thanked Dr. Dignan for making the decisions that the district needs.

267.23 ADJOURNMENT

Resolved, that the board adjourn the meeting at 9:19 p.m. Motion by M. Hines, support by K. May.

ROLL CALL VOTE

AYES:	6
NAYS:	0
ABSTAIN:	0
ABSENT:	1

MOTION PASSED

Melandie Hines
Board of Education Secretary
Wayne-Westland Community Schools