
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES – BOARD OF EDUCATION
Redford Union Schools
May 20, 2025

Regular Meeting
5/20/2025

A Regular meeting of the Redford Union Board of Education was held on May 20, 2025, at MacGowan School (District Meeting Room), 18255 Kinloch, Redford Twp., MI 48240, (Entrance on Curtis – Door #3)

Call to Order:

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President Pridemore called the meeting to order at 5:33 PM.

Roll Call:

Roll Call

Present: Bailey, Johnson, Martin (Late 5:50 PM), Miller,
Osowski, and Pridemore

Student Representative Juzswik

Absent: Dean

Pledge of Allegiance:

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The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

President Remarks:

President's Remarks

President Pridemore asked that everyone please place their cell phones on silent.

President Pridemore acknowledged the departure of Elisia Juzswik, the student representative, after two years of service. Elisia was praised for her passion and dedication as the student representation. Elisia was presented with tokens of appreciation and given a moment to speak.

Elisia highlighted recent school events: The Early College seniors celebrated their advisors, seniors received SAT prep rewards, and the National Honor Society hosted an extra-curriculum fair. Academic achievements were recognized, and a college and career fair was well-received. On May 16, seniors and staff celebrated an enchanted night at Laurel Manor for prom. On May 13, the National Honor Society hosted their first extra curriculum fair called, "Are U Home" for the eighth and ninth graders, and this is for them to see what school activities are offered on the high

school side. On May 7, more than half of our senior classes were awarded various awards for academic achievement, all the way to some type of scholarship. Congratulations to all those seniors that received an award. On May 8 RU held a second decision day. On May 9, the 10th, 11th, and 12th graders had their Best School Day Ever field trip to Belle Isle, where they did various activities. She mentioned the college and Careers fair that was held on April 25, for the seventh to 12th graders and that this was one of her favorite events. A school-wide Easter egg hunt and graduation plans were discussed. The senior's graduation is May 28th at 7pm at the US Hockey Arena. June 12 is the last day of school. Elisia expressed gratitude for the opportunity to be heard and make a difference.

The Board took a 14-minute recess for cake and hugs, allowing Elisia to leave for her band banquet.

Secretary Martin arrived.

The Board returned to business at 5:55 PM.

For the sake of time and current things that are happening President Pridemore asked that the Board amend this meeting agenda to only include the following items:

- Presentation B – 2025 Bond Process Overview
- Action Items below which are time sensitive:
 - 1) 2025 Capital Bond Project – Series 1 Bond Issuance
 - 3) Wayne Regional Educational Services Agency (WRESA) 2025/2026 General Fund Operating Budget
 - 4) Resolution Designating Local District's Wayne RESA (WRESA) Election Representative

Other items on this agenda will be brought back in June.

The Board Brag Book and Calendar of Events will be posted on Facebook.

There was a motion to amend the agenda as mentioned above.

Adoption of Agenda:

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It was Moved by Member Osowski, Seconded by Member Miller, to adopt the Agenda of the May 20, 2025, Regular Board Meeting as amended.

There was no discussion.

Yes: 6 No: 0 Motion: Carried

Call to the Audience: Public Participation Regarding Agenda Items

None.

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Public Participation
Regarding Agenda Items**

Student Representative Communication – Elisia Juzswik

Ms. Juzswik presented earlier in the meeting.

**Student Representative
Communication**

Presentations:

2025 Bond Process Overview – Jasen Witt and Rob Gavin:

Mr. Gavin directed the Board to a handout that was included in the Board’s packet which was the “2025 School Building and Site Bond, Series I Proposed Schedule of Events”. He congratulated the Board on the successful election and bond passage. He explained the bond process which involved issuing \$12.5 million of the \$44 million approved by voters, with payments spread over 28 years. The resolution authorizes the issuance and sale of the bonds, ensuring tax-exempt status and compliance with state regulations. He provided detailed explanations of the authorizing resolution, including the recitals, issue amount, and maturities.

There were questions and answers.

Presentations

ACTION ITEMS:

Special Consideration Non-Consent Agenda Action Item(s):

1) 2025 Capital Bond Project – Series 1 Bond Issuance:

It was MOVED BY MEMBER OSOWSKI, SECONDED BY MEMBER MARTIN, that the Board of Education, at the recommendation of Jasen Witt, Superintendent and Michael Beltinck, CFO, authorize the process for the sale/issuance of Series 1 bonds for the voter-approved 2025 Capital Bond Project per the Resolution Authorizing Issuance of 2025 School Building and Site Bonds, Series 1 (General Obligation – Unlimited Tax) and Other Matters Relating Thereto as presented.

The Board had a discussion.

There were questions and answers.

The process to come will be discussed more in June.

The discussion ensued and there were more questions and answers.

ACTION ITEMS

**2025 Capital Bond
Project – Series 1 Bond
Issuance:**

ROLL CALL

J. Bailey: Yes, L. Dean: ABS, M. Johnson: Yes, L. Martin: Yes, L. Miller: Yes,

J. Osowski: Yes, E. Pridemore: Yes

Yes: 6 No: 0 Motion: Carried

**3) Wayne Regional Educational Services Agency (WRESA) 2025/2026
General Fund Operating Budget Resolution:**

Superintendent Witt explained that this is the Wayne RESA budget, which all school boards within Wayne County are asked to consider for adoption. And the reason we pushed forward with this one tonight is because it is a timely matter, because ultimately the Wayne RESA Board is going to be acting action following what the individual boards do within Wayne County.

It was MOVED BY MEMBER OSOWSKI SECONDED BY MEMBER JOHNSON, that the Board of Education adopt the Resolution supporting the proposed Wayne Regional Educational Services Agency (WRESA) 2025/2026 General Fund Operating Budget.

ROLL CALL

J. Bailey: Yes, L. Dean: ABS, M. Johnson: Yes, L. Martin: Yes, L. Miller: Yes,

J. Osowski: Yes, E. Pridemore: Yes

Yes: 6 No: 0 Motion: Carried

**Wayne Regional
Educational Services
Agency (WRESA)
2025/2026 General Fund
Operating Budget
Resolution**

**4) Resolution Designating Local District's Wayne Resa (WRESA) Election
Representative:**

It was MOVED BY MEMBER OSOWSKI SECONDED BY MEMBER JOHNSON, that the Board of Education, at the recommendation Jasen Witt, Superintendent adopt the Resolution for the designation of LaTina Miller as the representative of this Board for the electoral body, and Megan Johnson as an alternate in the event the designated representative is unable to attend. The Board will designate the representative to cast a ballot for the candidate(s) to fill the vacancy on the WRESA Board. The election will be held on Monday, June 2, 2025.

**Resolution Designating
Local District's Wayne
Resa (WRESA) Election
Representative:**

Wayne RESA 2025 Board Election Candidates:

James Beri

Lynda Jackson

The designated representative is further directed to cast a vote on the first ballot on behalf of the Redford Union Schools Board of Education for candidate(s) James Beri and Lynda Jackson.

ROLL CALL

J. Bailey: Yes, L. Dean: ABS, M. Johnson: Yes, L. Martin: Yes, L. Miller: Yes,

J. Osowski: Yes, E. Pridemore: Yes

Yes: 6 No: 0 Motion: Carried**Board of Education Communication/Discussion:**

President Pridemore gave a reminder that graduation is next Wednesday, May 28 at 7:00 PM. Board members were asked to arrive about 1 hour early due to construction and traffic. She also reminded the members that Ms. Warren reminded them some time ago, that they are in possession of their graduation robes, so make sure they have that with them. Except for Mrs. Johnson. Her robe has been ordered. She said it is expected that all Board members will wear their graduation robe out of respect for our students.

**Board of Education
Communication/
Discussion****Future Meeting Dates:**

Monday, June 9, 2025, Public Budget Hearing / Regular Meeting – 5:30 PM
MacGowan School (District Meeting Room), 18255 Kinloch, Redford Twp., MI 48240, (Door #3)

Monday, June 16, 2025, Board Workshop – 5:30 PM
MacGowan School (District Meeting Room), 18255 Kinloch, Redford Twp., MI 48240, (Door #3)

**Future Meeting
Dates**

Adjournment:

It was Moved by Member Osowski , Seconded by Member Miller, to adjourn the meeting at 6:37 PM.

Yes: 6 No: 0 Motion: Carried

Adjournment

Respectfully Submitted

LaKeya Martin
Secretary
Redford Union Schools
Board of Education