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ALLEN PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES • November 14, 2022

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The regular meeting of the Allen Park Board of Education was held on Monday, November 14, 2022 at 7:02 p.m. at the Allen Park High School, Large Group Instruction Room, 18401 Champaign, Allen Park, Michigan.

The regular meeting called to order/Instruction for Public Comments: Dr. Jennifer Warren

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call/Present: Filipiak, Klein, Luecke, MacDonald, Martin, Warren

2022-112	Motion by Klein, supported by Warren, that the consent agenda items be approved as presented: ▪ Approval of November 14, 2022 agenda ▪ Approval of October 10 work session minutes ▪ Approval of October 27 meeting minutes ▪ Approval of check registers: 10/10/2022=\$2,498,102.40; 10/17/2022=\$1,790.60; 10/21/2022=\$100.00; 10/24/2022=\$322,148.48; 10/25/2022=\$50.00; 11/2/2022=\$5,398.05; 11/9/2022=\$1,404,116.61; 11/10/2022=\$18,333.76 ▪ Approval of wire transfers: 10/5/2022-10/28/2022=\$1,537,051.29 Yeas: Filipiak, Klein, Luecke, MacDonald, Martin, Warren Nays: None MOTION CARRIED.
	<i>President's Communications:</i> Dr. Warren reported that there were none at this time.
	<i>Reading of Communications:</i> Mrs. Filipiak reported that there were none at this time.
	Special Presentation: 2021-2022 School District Audit by Dan Merritt, Senior Manager, CPA, MBA, CGFM Mr. Merritt introduced the audit team and provided the community with the following report: ○ Independent Auditors' Report – Unmodified ("clean") opinion ○ Report on Internal Controls –One material weakness and no significant deficiencies identified ○ Single Audit – Report on Major Program – Unmodified "clean" opinion on Education Stabilization Fund (ESSER) and Special Education Cluster (IDEA) ○ Single Audit – Report on Internal Controls – No material weaknesses or significant deficiencies identified Financial Statement Elements discussed: ○ Management's Discussion & Analysis ○ Basic Financial Statements (Government-wide financial statements, Fund financial statements and Notes to the financial statements) ○ Required Supplementary Information (MPSERS Cost-Sharing Multiple-Employer Plan Schedules (Pension and OPEB) ○ Supplementary Information ○ Fund Financial Statements – GF Net Position: \$6,014,986 (13%) The PowerPoint is incorporated into the November 14 regular minutes.
	<i>Citizens' Comments Pertaining to Agenda Items:</i> None at this time.
	<i>"In the Spotlight" -Student Presentations</i> • Eva Skarbinski gave updates from the high school from each class with regard to current and upcoming events.

2022-113	<i>Personnel:</i> <i>A. Employments/Services</i> Motion by MacDonald supported by Luecke, that the recommendations for employment and services be approved by the Board for the individuals as listed: ▪ Melissa Baker – Math Instructional Aide – Bennie Elementary ▪ Sarah Chafins – Independence Paraprofessional – Arno Elementary ▪ Guadalupe Chapa – Lunchroom Paraprofessional – Arno Elementary ▪ Maria Rubley – Substitute Caller Secretary – Riley ▪ Nicole Toma – Attendance Secretary – APHS ▪ Christy Tyra – Lunch Paraprofessional – Bennie Elementary ▪ Ronald Wyatt – Special Education Bus Aide – Transportation ▪ Rosanna Young – Food Service Worker – APHS ▪ Zanna Myers – Volunteer Basketball Coach – APHS ▪ Ariel Teatsorth – Volunteer Girls Bowling Coach - APHS Yeas: Filipiak, Klein, Luecke, MacDonald, Martin, Warren Nays: None MOTION CARRIED <i>B. Resignations/Retirements:</i> ▪ Alison Crawford – Food Service Worker – APHS ▪ Amanda Davis – Lunch Paraprofessional – Bennie Elementary ▪ Douglas Mullins – Custodian – Bennie Elementary ▪ Chelsea Shelton – Food Service – APHS ▪ Michelle Yowler – Latchkey – Lindemann Elementary
2022-114	<i>Award Roofing Assessment</i> Motion by MacDonald, supported by Klein, that the Allen Park Board of Education award the Roofing Assessment for all seven buildings in the Allen Park School District to WeatherTech with the cost of twenty-nine thousand ten dollars (\$29,010.00) being taken from the General Condition costs of the overall Budget as presented. Yeas: Filipiak, Klein, Luecke, MacDonald, Martin, Warren Nays: None MOTION CARRIED.
2022-115	<i>APMS Crystal Mountain Ski Club Trip</i> Motion by Klein, supported by MacDonald that the APMS Crystal Mountain Ski Club Trip be approved as presented. Yeas: Filipiak, Klein, Luecke, MacDonald, Martin, Warren Nays: None MOTION CARRIED.
2022-116	<i>Resolution Honoring Those Who Serve</i> Motion by MacDonald, supported by Filipiak, that in recognition of the sacrifices made by our military veterans, the “Honoring Those Who Serve” resolution be adopted as presented. Yeas: Filipiak, Klein, Luecke, MacDonald, Martin, Warren Nays: None MOTION CARRIED.
	SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT • SHOUT-OUTS: ○ Thank you for a tremendous job to our Arno kindergarten staff, Nickie Roller, Christina Mercer, Cassie Harrison and Jeanine Haskin for a very informative and helpful presentation to local preschool families and their children at our annual fall Building Up to Kindergarten program. Every fall the Arno kindergarten team collaborates on an informative event aimed at helping preschool parents understand what skills their child will need as they enter kindergarten the following fall. This year, we had 50 families attend to hear information, observe a live read aloud, and receive support materials to help build their child up to kindergarten.

- Shout out to the Lindemann lunch aides who are seen daily going above and beyond with students and not just during lunch periods. Mrs. Glei has witnessed aides genuinely concerned if they see one of their students in the office not feeling well they inquire as to how they are doing. They will also sit with an upset student, check in with students and engage when they see one of their students..... all of this before and after their lunch periods.
- Shout out to Mary McMaster who, with the APHS Science Department, is doing a fabulous job working to keep parents and the community informed as to the happenings in science with a monthly newsletter.

- **FALL SPORTS ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

- Varsity Football coached by Tom Danosky finished 6-5 overall. They qualified for the Division 3 playoffs eventually losing to defending state champs Detroit King HS.
- Varsity Girls swim coached by Nick Kudla finished with a 9-1 dual meet record finishing 2nd in the Downriver League. State Diving qualifiers included: Amelai Luecke and Gabby Simpson
- Varsity Volleyball coached by Brooke Tkach finished 27-9 and placed 2nd in the Downriver League. They won the MHSAA District title and finished Regionals as runner-up.
- Girls Cross Country coached by Tim Collins finished 3rd in the Downriver League. Luci Granata qualified for the MHSAA State Meet.
- Boys Cross Country coached by Paul Vockler finished 1st in the Downriver League and 7th at the MHSAA Regional Meet just missing qualifying for the MHSAA State Team Meet. Individual State qualifiers included: Caleb Wynn, Drake Steele, Brady Boroniec
- Boy's Tennis coached by Bill Riggs finished 8-7 in the Downriver League placing 4th. The team finished 4th in the MHSAA Regional Meet.
- Varsity Soccer coached by Marco Marchionda finished in 3rd place in the Downriver League. They had an overall record of 7 wins, 9 losses and 3 ties.
- Girls golf coached by Geoff Arnoldy had an overall record 8-7 finishing 3rd in the Downriver League. The girls came together at the end of the season to win the DL league meet and just missed qualifying for state meet finishing 4th.

- **GOOD NEWS:**

- At the APHS Alumni STEM night we had 7 amazing speakers and about 20 participants that came to learn about STEM careers. Each speaker gave a 3-4 minute introduction and explanation about their career and then students were able to ask questions of the panel. Our former students are THRIVING! They are in fascinating careers and they were very happy to come back to APHS to share their knowledge and advice

- **ELECTION RESULTS:**

In response to public notice, nine civic-minded individuals expressed interest in the four open seats on the Allen Park Board of Education. The Allen Park School Community thanks these outstanding individuals for their interest in serving their community.

Congratulations to the following candidates who were elected to the Allen Park Board of Education:

4 year term: (1/1/2023-12/31/2026)

- Mrs. Jeannette MacDonald
- Mr. Stephen Martin
- Mr. Michael Klein
- Mr. Jason Babbage

The insight, concern for the well-being of all students, and professional experiences of these civic-minded individuals will contribute significantly to the Allen Park Public Schools. We are grateful to them for their dedication to the students of Allen Park and commitment to quality public education.

- **Board Vacancy Update:**

To date we have received four letters of application for the school board vacancy created when Gordon Miller left. We will be continuing to accept letters from interested residents of the Allen Park school district until Friday, November 18th at 4:00 p.m. There is a special meeting scheduled for Monday, November 21, 2022 beginning at 6:00 in the LGI room at the high school for the board to interview each applicant and appoint a trustee to the vacancy.

- **District Newsletter:**

We have sent out our first District Newsletter to all district staff and families. There is a link to the newsletter on the main page of our website as well. We will continue to do newsletters 3-4 times a year to keep the community informed as to what is going on in the district.

- **SmartBoot Update:**

The SmartBoot system continues to be installed throughout our district. Staff will begin familiarizing the students with the system before it is activated with actual live training for staff first then students.

- **Parental Rights Notification Requirements:**

Pursuant to the requirements of Public Act 213 of 2022 school districts in Michigan are required to post the following in all buildings and meeting places:

Section 1 of Article VIII of the Michigan Constitution of 1963:

"Religion, morality and knowledge being necessary to good government and the happiness of mankind, schools, and the means of education shall forever be encouraged."

Section 10 of the Revised School Code (MCL 380.10):

"It is the natural, fundamental right of parents and legal guardians to determine and direct the care, teaching and education of their children. The public schools of this state serve the needs of the pupils by cooperating with the pupil's parents and legal guardians to develop the pupil's intellectual capabilities and vocational skills in a safe and positive environment."

Citizens' Comments:

- There was one person addressing the board at this time.

Reports of Officers:

- Mr. Martin – Congratulations to all the new hires and the sports teams. Thank you to all those who supported me in the election.
- Mrs. Filipiak – Thank you to Mrs. Keith for the awesome job per usual. Ditto with regard to the shout outs and the new hires. She is thrilled about the veteran's proposal.
- Mr. Klein – Thank you to Mrs. Keith for a successful audit.
- Mrs. Luecke – Ditto everything already said. Swim coaches are taking the first two D2 divers to states. The Bennie Movie Night was the same night as the NJSH Induction so they went there after and it was a very fun event.
- Mrs. MacDonald said ditto everything. She did spend a fair amount of time reviewing the documentation about the audit....thank you for that. Shout out to the veterans and thank you for your sacrifices. Shout out to the new hires. There are some exciting things happening. Thank you to all who supported her in the election.
- Dr. Warren thanked all veterans for their service, those listening and those not. Thank you to Tiffany again. It is important for all to know what all goes into a successful audit. Wonderful job by Ms. Skarbinski on the update from the high school. It was great to see our band on Thanksgiving morning on the TV, she is so proud of them. Congratulations to all of the athletes and the elected officials.

2022-117	CLOSED SESSION: Student Discipline Matter Moved by MacDonald, supported by Martin that the board enter closed session to consider attorney-client privilege information in compliance with Section 8(h) of the Michigan Open Meetings Act and to discuss a student discipline matter in compliance with Section 8(a) of the Michigan Open Meetings Act. Yeas: Filipiak, Klein, Luecke, MacDonald, Martin, Warren Nays: None MOTION CARRIED.
2022-118	Moved by MacDonald, supported by Luecke that the board resume open session Yeas: Filipiak, Klein, Luecke, MacDonald, Martin, Warren Nays: None MOTION CARRIED.
2022-119	Moved by Klein, supported by MacDonald that the Allen Park Board of Education, having heard and considered the evidence in the case of Student 22-23 S1, and based on careful consideration of the following factors: 1) student's age 2) student's disciplinary history 3) whether the student has a disability 4) the seriousness of the behavior 5) whether the behavior posed a safety risk 6) whether restorative practices are a better option and 7) whether lesser interventions would address the behavior, resolves that Student 22-23 S1 shall be suspended through the remainder of the 1st semester returning to Allen Park High School for the 2nd Semester beginning on January 30, 2023. Yeas: Filipiak, Klein, Luecke, MacDonald, Martin, Warren Nays: None MOTION CARRIED.
2022-120	Motion by Klein supported by MacDonald, that the meeting be adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sarah C. Filipiak, Board Secretary