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ALLEN PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION WORK SESSION MINUTES • September 12, 2022

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APPROVED ☒

The work session of the Allen Park Board of Education was held on Monday, August 15, 2022 at 6:08 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: Mrs. Jeannette MacDonald

Pledge of Allegiance

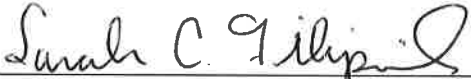
Roll Call/Present: Filipiak, Klein, Luecke, MacDonald, Martin

Absent: Miller, Warren

2022-099	Motion by Filipiak, supported by Klein, that the work session agenda be approved as presented: Yeas: Filipiak, Klein, Luecke, MacDonald, Martin Nays: None Absent: Miller, Warren MOTION CARRIED.
	Mr. Darga gave a summary of the bond work that has been going on. Work is on schedule, all should be ready to go for our football game on the 30th except the team rooms. Pat Ward has been taking a series of photographs to be shared with the public. A lot of work was done ahead of schedule but some has not, the teachers have been great about being patient. We are looking to start breaking ground on the stem labs. It will not be finished until fall of 2024 but it will be state of the art. We are getting advisors from Ford to get insight on the development. It was advertised that there would be turf at the middle school field but it was not on the list. This was an error by the advertising firm, it was never approved by the voters. There will be no turf at the middle school. While looking at the projects, they discovered Wayne County has changed requirements for retention fields. This cost could be as much as 1.5 mil which was not planned and there is no grandfather clause. We are investigating this. Middle School football field will get sod, irrigation and bleachers then we can start hosting our own games there. Another problem is that we are looking at a land swap with the city, giving them the Lapham property so they can develop it and they would give us ownership of the the fields. With this scenario the city would them lease them from us if they need to use them. They can develop and sell homes on the Lapham property and in turn that would also give us more students in our schools. We are still in discussions as the City is hesitant to do this even though it would be a win for both parties. Another problem is with the tennis courts. Had the coaches meet with Barton Malow and came up with a wish list 1.2 mil. Now we are finding out that if we alter the tennis courts at all aside from resurfacing, we will need a retention pond which would add 1.5 mil just for that to the project and we cannot afford this. Tennis coaches said that if the courts were updated they would host tournaments again. There is also discussion as to using the tennis courts also for pickle ball. The roof on the auditorium is on the schedule to be done, the current roof was from the 2003 bond. The stadium dedication and ribbon cutting ceremony will be on 9/30 at the Homecoming Game. The parade will begin at 2:30 on that day.

	The Superintendent discussed the current district hiring Process as well as some ideas about how this should be revisited. The Round-Robin procedure was discussed as to how it works where there is an opening.
	ELA textbooks are on the Agenda for tonight and Dr. Tafelski indicated we are in pretty good shape now with the curriculum and was available to answer any question from the board regarding these purchases. Dr. Tafelski provided the Curriculum Review Schedule to the Board so they could see when curriculum purchases are scheduled based on the replacement cycle.
	<i>Citizens' Comments:</i> • There were no citizens comments at this meeting.
2022-100	Motion by Klein, supported by Luecke, that the meeting adjourn at 6:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Sarah C. Filipiak, Board Secretary