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

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The regular meeting of the Allen Park Board of Education was held on Monday, February 14, 2022 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, Luecke, MacDonald, Martin, Warren

Absent: Klein, Miller

2022-014	Motion by Martin, supported by MacDonald, that the consent agenda items be approved as presented: ▪ Approval of February 14 agenda ▪ Approval of meeting minutes from December 13, January 10 and January 24 ▪ Approval of registers: 1/24/2022=\$460,165.50, 1/28/2022=\$699.00, 2/7/2022=\$2.79, 2/9/2022=\$912,327.28 ▪ Approval of wire transfers: 1/8/2022 thru 2/9/2022=\$1,672,893.17 Yeas: Filipiak, Luecke, MacDonald, Martin, Warren Nays: None Absent: Klein, Miller Motion carried.
	<i>President's Communications:</i> None at this time.
	<i>Reading of Communications:</i> None at this time.
	<i>Citizens Comments: (Pertaining to agenda items)</i> None at this time.
	Member Klein arrived at 7:07 p.m.
	<i>"In the Spotlight" – Student Presentations:</i> ▪ <i>APHS Representative – Amanda Abraham</i> Amanda is the Secretary for the Class of 2024, and shared class council activities: Seniors-ham fundraiser, planning prom and graduation activities; Juniors-candle fundraiser, Culver's fundraiser and selection of prom venue for next year; Sophomores-Buffalo Wild Wings fundraiser; Freshmen-Red Wings Night Out fundraiser. Student Council is planning APHS Charity Week. Band students participated in the MSBOA District 12 Solo & Ensemble Festival. Interact Club is providing babysitting services during elementary PTA meetings. NHS is planning a blood drive in the near future. Robotics is heading into competition season. ▪ <i>APMS Representatives – Easton Danosky, Elizabeth Simpson</i> Easton and Elizabeth reported on news and events such as NJHS offering snow shoveling to citizens and making valentines for a local nursing home, a daily event during Charity Week, and the schedule for early morning hockey. The Dungeon & Dragons Club meets daily and Peacekeepers stayed after school last Friday to place 'messages of kindness' on all lockers for a morning Valentine's Day surprise for students! The Drama Club has selected two plays and holding try-outs. ▪ <i>APCS Representatives – Ian Feebish, Liam Galea</i> Ian and Liam provided the board with a comprehensive report of events and activities taking place at APCS which included PBIS themes of respect and showing empathy, student campaign to raise awareness of heart disease. The students also reported that nine students graduated in January, one of the graduation requirements is 10 hours of community service completed annually.
2022-015	<i>Personnel:</i> A. <i>Employments/Services</i> Motion by Warren, supported by Martin, that the recommendations for employment and services be approved by the Board for the individuals as listed:

	▪ Geoff Arnoldy – Varsity Girls' Golf Coach/APHS – Effective 2/15/2022 ▪ Meaghan Bachman – Lunch Parapro/Arno – Effective 2/14/2020 ▪ Garrett Brown – IT Technician/Riley – Effective 2/9/2022 ▪ Aaron Crank – Food Service Worker/APHS – Effective 2/1/2022 ▪ Mary Glegola – Food Service Worker/APMS – Effective 2/9/2022 ▪ Jeffrey Goulasarian – Industrial Arts Teacher/APHS – Effective 2/1/2022 ▪ Dan Loyd – Assistant Wrestling Coach/APMS – Effective 2/1/2022 ▪ Rebecca Matey – Independence Paraprofessional/Arno – Effective 2/8/2022 ▪ Douglas Mullins – Custodian/Operations Building – Effective 2/7/2022 ▪ Joseph Thompson – Bus Driver/Operations Building – Effective 1/25/2022 ▪ Christy Tyra – Lunch Parapro/Bennie – Effective 2/14/2022 Yeas: Klein, Filipiak, Luecke, MacDonald, Martin, Warren Nays: None Absent: Miller Motion carried. <i>B. Retirements/Resignations</i> We have received and accepted the following resignations: ▪ Janice Basley – Food Service Worker/APMS – Effective 2/1/2022 ▪ Kristy Caleca – Secretary/Community School & Services – Effective 2/25/2022 ▪ Brad Cruts – Varsity Girls' Golf Coach/APHS – Effective 1/25/2022 ▪ Dr. Ramon Griffin – Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Coordinator – Effective 2/11/2021 ▪ Jennifer Hindle – Food Service Worker/APMS – Effective 1/25/2022
2022-016	Old Business: <i>Board Policies – 2nd Reading & Adoption:</i> Motion by MacDonald, supported by Klein, that the Allen Park Board of Education adopt the following as board policy: ▪ Policy 2210 – Curriculum Development ▪ Policy 2412 – Homebound Instruction Program ▪ Policy 2414 – Reproductive Health and Family Planning ▪ Policy 3362.01 – Threatening Behavior toward Staff Members ▪ Policy 4162 – Controlled Substance and Alcohol Policy for Commercial Motor Vehicle Drivers and Other Employees Who Perform Safety-Sensitive Functions ▪ Policy 4362.01 – Threatening Behavior toward Staff Members ▪ Policy 5200 – Attendance ▪ Policy 5610 – Emergency Removal, Suspension and Expulsion of Students ▪ Policy 5611 – Due Process Rights ▪ Policy 6114 – Cost Principles-Spending Federal Funds ▪ Policy 6235 – Procurement-Federal Grants/Funds ▪ Policy 7450 – Property Inventory ▪ Policy 7455 – Accounting System for Fixed Assets ▪ Policy 8210 – School Calendar ▪ Policy 8400 – School Safety Information ▪ Policy 8462 – Student Abuse and Neglect ▪ Policy 8600 – Transportation Yeas: Klein, Filipiak, Luecke, MacDonald, Martin, Warren Nays: None Absent: Miller Motion carried.
2022-017	<i>Proposed K-2 Cross Categorical Special Education Classroom 2022-23</i> Motion by MacDonald, supported by Warren, that the Allen Park Board of Education approve the proposal for the addition of a K-2 Cross-Categorical Special Education Classroom beginning with the 2022-23 school year as presented. Yeas: Klein, Filipiak, Luecke, MacDonald, Martin, Warren Nays: None Absent: Miller Motion carried.

2022-018	2021 Bond – Bid Package #T1 – E-Rate Technology Motion by MacDonald, supported by Filipiak, that the Allen Park Board of Education approve the Bid Package #T1 – E-Rate Technology Project awarding the Network Equipment category to Hi-Tech System Service, Inc. at a not to exceed amount of \$60,656.00, and the Structured Cabling category to Active Solutions Group at a not to exceed amount of \$49,990.00, to be paid using 2021 Bond Funds. Yeas: Klein, Filipiak, Luecke, MacDonald, Martin, Warren Nays: None Absent: Miller Motion carried.
2022-019	Textbook Adoption – World History and Geography (McGraw Hill) – APHS Motion by MacDonald, supported by Klein that the Allen Park Board of Education approve the recommendation by the Instructional Curriculum Council for the adoption and purchase of World History and Geography (McGraw Hill) textbooks and licensing as presented. Yeas: Klein, Filipiak, Luecke, MacDonald, Martin, Warren Nays: None Absent: Miller Motion carried.
2022-020	MASB Board of Directors – Region 8 Motion by Warren, supported by Filipiak, that a vote for candidate Dr. Darlene Pomponio, for the seat on the MASB Board of Directors representing Region 8 for a 3 year term be submitted. Yeas: Klein, Filipiak, Luecke, MacDonald, Martin, Warren Nays: None Absent: Miller Motion carried.
	Special Presentation: ▪ Sharing Academic Progress – Dr. John J. Tafelski, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction Per PA 48 of 2021, Dr. Tafelski provided the board with a presentation for each school (K-8) operated by the district on the progress towards the school's academic goals on a benchmark assessment. NWEA is the main data source for K-8. The district is using a new program called EduClimber as part of the MTSS program to analyze data; MTSSA Data Dive meetings are held every eight weeks in 1:1 teacher/administrator meetings. Fastbridge, an Illuminate product, is also used to provide data to pinpoint whole child needs for the school, class, group or individual student. Immediate reports reveal the right next step to take for each student and classroom, whether selecting a targeted intervention or addressing a learning misconception in the moment.
	Superintendent's Report: ▪ Staff Professional Development – Safety Tabletop Exercises On Friday, February 11, each school building had the opportunity to participate in an Active Shooter Tabletop exercise, led by Pat Donohue, building principals and Officer Bacile, in which a building specific scenario was given to all staff. In this scenario, staff had to work together on how they would handle the scenario from their point of view (classroom teacher, office staff, custodial, cafeteria, etc.) The point of the exercise being to bring awareness and training to the buildings and staff on how they could/would/should react if such a situation arises here in the district. ▪ APHS Drama Club presents – Mamma Mia! Has it been too long since you've had a night out? Tickets are on sale now for the spring musical to be held in mid-March and sure to be an entertaining crowd pleaser! Details and link for ticket sales can be found on the district website. ▪ Legislative Updates ○ Mask Mandate Update Wayne County Mask Mandate dropped for schools effective February 28, 2022; face masks for staff/students in Allen Park Public Schools will be optional at that time. ○ Open Meeting Act On February 4, Michigan's Attorney General issued an opinion regarding open meeting requirements and attendance accommodations. The opinion ultimately determined the Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA) would "require state and local boards and commissions to provide reasonable accommodations, which could

include an option to particulate virtually, to qualified individuals with a disability who request an accommodation to fully participate.” We will update our current accommodations verbiage on the district website and will continue to follow any new developments through communications with MASB, as well as the monthly Thrun Newsletter.

○ *Governor’s Proposed 2022-23 Education Budget*

Governor Whitmer’s preK-12 budget proposes historic investments in school funding and would have a major impact on the shortage of teachers in Michigan public schools. The proposal includes a five percent increase in the per pupil foundation allowance, investments to recruit future educators, and incentive bonuses for current educators. The recruitment investments would help districts develop grow your own programs to help support staff become teachers, inspire students to join the education profession, and provide scholarships for future educators and stipends for student teachers.

The Governor’s budget also recommends significant funding increases for preschool and after school programs, students with disabilities, economically disadvantaged students, English learners and career and technical education. Children’s mental health and school safety would also receive significant increases under this proposed budget, and school infrastructure is substantially addressed. It is early in the budget season, but we will be following this one very closely.

▪ *Shining Stars – Celebrating Student Success!*

- Congrats to APMS students who qualified to attend the Middle School State Swim Meet in Battle Creek. The student-athletes worked incredibly hard all season just to partake in this statewide invitation. Congrats to Lily Murdoch, Dorrean Beri, Ben Beri, Aiden Heivilin, Greg Tomblin, Cameron Maldonado, Avery Stez, Emma Brown, Bridge Vollmer, Peyton Theisen and Peyton Wrase for placing at state level competition. And, congrats to Coach Kudla and Coach Sexton for training these hard-working student athletes!
- A shout out to the APMS Peacekeepers for making valentines for every student at school! NJHS students and Web Leaders joined in on last Friday to help hang a valentine on every locker to greet students this morning!
- Congrats to the APHS 200 Freestyle Relay team of Zach Pauley, Daniel Wilkes, Cole Paquette and Andrew Dmitrichina for qualifying for the State meet in March! Congrats to Coach Nick Kudla, too!
- Congrats to the APHS Varsity Wrestling Team earning the title of 2022 District Champs! Best of luck in Regionals this week!

Citizens Comments: (Pertaining to non-agenda items)

- Trisha Copple posed questions to the board regarding the mask mandate; status of Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Coordinator position, and Board Policy 2414.
- Steve Wolf shared his view on lifting the mask mandate and guidelines from other countries.
- Ryan King expressed his opinion regarding the effectiveness of the mask mandate.
- Frank Cieszkowski shared his perspective regarding face masks and vaccinations.

Reports of Officers:

- Mrs. Luecke is glad to see the COVID confirmed cases numbers coming down.
- Mrs. Filipiak gave a shout out to the 9 January graduates at APCS, pleased to hear about the MTSS process in place and congratulated the student-athletes on their recent achievements.
- Mrs. MacDonald thanked too who attended the meeting and shared research. Mrs. MacDonald congratulated the new hires and is impressed with the direction of data dives and early interventions for students.
- Mr. Martin echoed sentiments expressed by colleagues and thanked all who attended the meeting, including the student presenters. Mr. Martin congratulated the ‘shining stars’ recognized this evening.
- Mr. Klein applauded the Peacekeepers and NHJS for improving the culture at APMS. He thanked Dr. Tafelski for providing the helpful academic report, certainly not as a hammer, but as a tool.
- Dr. Warren thanked the student presenters. Dr. Warren gave a shout out to Dr. Sokol – she appreciates his knowledge base and stated that he is definitely an asset to our district. Dr. Warren thanked Dr. Tafelski for the great breakdown of data, and for presenting it in a way that we can understand it. She was pleased to see modes of interventions so we can reach all students. In closing, Dr. Warren is excited for the upcoming musical performance-Mama Mia! Dr. Warren is super excited for masks to go away, and hoping it can remain a parent choice, and encourages all to respect each other’s choices.

2022-021	Motion by MacDonald, supported by Klein, that the meeting adjourn at 8:36 p.m.
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Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Sarah C. Filipiak", written over a horizontal line.

Sarah C. Filipiak, Board Secretary