

**Personal Health and Sexuality Education Advisory Board
Okemos Public Schools – via Zoom
Okemos, Michigan 48864
REGULAR MEETING OF NOEMBER 29, 2022**

The regular meeting of the Personal Health and Sexuality Education Advisory Board was called to order by President Jessica Hamel at 7:02 p.m.

Members Present: Sondos Al-Hachim, Hannah Alstrom, Pauline Ashton, Faith Crandell, Jessica Hamel, Brett Meteyer, Stephanie Nawyn, Denise Nelson, Martha Nokken, and Stephanie Shafer.

Members Absent: Reverend Neal Anderson, Sabrina Avripas, Allison Cironi, Harrison Fleming, Sheree Jungwirth and Harshita Rajaram.

Administration: Stacy Bailey, Jill Dehlin, Nicole Beard, Andre Ridley, Sara Roland, and Lara Slee.

Special Guest: Lhauren Singleton

MOVED by Martha Nokken, SUPPORTED by Stephanie Nawyn, that the board approve the minutes of the regular meeting of June 6, 2022.

AYE: 15 NAY: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 ABSENT: 6 **MOTION CARRIED**

MOVED by Stephanie Nawyn, SUPPORTED by Brett Meteyer, that the board nominate member Martha Nokken as Vice President of the PHASE Advisory Board.

AYE: 15 NAY: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 ABSENT: 6 **MOTION CARRIED**

There is no report for the elementary buildings.

Assistant Principal Sara Roland reported on behalf of Kinawa 5/6 School. Kinawa is teaching reproductive health throughout the school year as opposed to only in the spring. There are approximately 8-12 students that have opted out of reproductive health curriculum between 5th and 6th grade this school year.

Assistant Principal Andre Ridley reported on behalf of Chippewa Middle School. Chippewa will begin to teach reproductive health lessons in the spring. Jill Dehlin mentioned that the board of education approved in 2020 that all students can be taught together instead of separate by gender. Andre Ridley would like to make Title IX conversations a part of the PHASE Advisory Board agenda in the future. Students need a clearer understanding of what Title IX is and what the ramifications are surrounding consent. Director of DEI Lara Slee mentioned that the subject of sexual harassment is a part of her equity work with the district and would like to seek out age-appropriate lessons that students and families understand including the topic of gender identity. Additionally, there is a policy going before the board of education on December 12, 2022, pertaining to sexual harassment, however, sexual harassment has not been a part of PHASE in the past.

Physical Education/Health Teacher Jeff Wonch reported on behalf of Okemos High School. Both of the PE/Health teachers have begun teaching reproductive health lessons this semester. Mr. Wonch would like to learn more about students that are on a lifetime opt-out list in the district and communicating that information with schools. Assistant Principal Roland suggested to reference PowerSchool for that information for all students in the district.

Assistant Superintendent Bailey will discuss information regarding the MIPhy Survey results and the 7th/8th grade curriculum review under new business.

Approval of Minutes

Nomination of Vice President

School Reports

Assistant Superintendent Stacy Bailey would like to review 5th/6th grade curriculum this year.

ASPIRE Director Lhauren Singleton presented the updated PowerPoint presentation for 9th grade. The information within the presentation is the same, however, the updated presentation will engage different learning styles as the old presentation leaned heavily on the knowledge of the presenter. Several slide changes were requested to be made. On slide #12, Relationship Progression, would like to change the last bar on the graph to read “change relationship from present form”. On slide #16, would like to change contraceptive statistics from failure rates to success rates. On slide #17, would like to add wording about talking with a parent or trusted adult about life goals. On slide #18, would like to delete the statement on the slide that says that teen pregnancy leads to poverty.

MOVED by Stephanie Nawyn, SUPPORTED by Hannah Alstrom, that the board approve the use of the ASPIRE PowerPoint presentation with the included changes.

AYE: 14 NAY: 0 ABSENT: 6 ABSTAIN: 1

MOTION CARRIED

Jill Dehlin shared a spreadsheet with the board showing the last three years of MIPhy data we have on sexual behaviors for grades 9 and 11.

Jill Dehlin will review the last parent survey and update questions as needed. The last parent survey was sent in 2019.

The following members will serve on the 5th/6th grade subcommittee this year: Sara Roland, Harrison Fleming, Dr. Nicole Beard, Melissa Marks, Nicole Fitchett, Stephanie Nawyn and Jill Dehlin. The following members will serve on the 7th/8th grade subcommittee this year: Pauline Ashton, Andre Ridley, Sheree Jungwirth, Faith Crandell and Jill Dehlin. Subcommittees should plan to meet in January 2023.

The next PHASE meeting will be scheduled for February 2023.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:26 pm.

New Business:
Goals for the
school year

ASPIRE
curriculum for
high school
students

MIPhy survey
results

Parent survey

Form
subcommittees

Schedule next
meeting for
February or
March 2023