

**Personal Health and Sexuality Education Advisory Board
Okemos Public Schools – Community Conference Room
Okemos, Michigan 48864
REGULAR MEETING OF OCTOBER 30, 2018**

The regular meeting of the Personal Health and Sexuality Education Advisory Board was called to order by President Tami Hiser at 7:05 p.m.

Members Present: Saisandesh Ballem, George Carter, Jill Dehlin, Lindiwe Helm, Tami Hiser, Stephanie Fleming, Melanie Jacobs, Lilly Korupczynski, Terrie Malinak, Clara McFarland-Parrot, Heather Paris, Lisa Smith, and Stacey Tanay.

Members Absent: Michele Borgialli, Brett Meteyer, Liz Miller and Assistant Principal Andrea Hallead

Administration: Assistant Principal Sara Roland and Assistant Superintendent for Instruction John Hood.

MOVED by Stephanie Fleming, SUPPORTED by Heather Paris, that the board approve the minutes of the regular meeting of March 21, 2018.

AYE: 13 NAY: 0 ABSENT: 4 **MOTION CARRIED**

Member Stephanie Fleming was nominated and accepted the nomination to be Vice President.

MOVED by Jill Dehlin, SUPPORTED by Clara McFarland-Parrot that Stephanie Fleming will fill the role of Vice President of the PHASE Advisory Board.

AYE: 13 NAY: 0 ABSENT: 4 **MOTION CARRIED**

Jill Dehlin reported on behalf of the elementary buildings. We piloted the mixed gender reproductive health class at Cornell Elementary last school year which was precipitated by a Cornell parent. There were three classroom groups: class for those that identify as male; those that identify as female; and, a mixed gender class. There were approximately 12 students who participated in the mixed gender class. These students received special permission from their parents to participate in the mixed gender class. The student survey from the mixed gender class showed it was a success. The mixed gender classroom option will be piloted at the remaining elementary buildings during the 2018-19 school year. Principal Steve Stierley at Kinawa 5/6 School is working on piloting a mixed gender class with 5th grade students. Several years ago, school counselors used to teach Michigan Model until the school budgets no longer were able to support this. In January 2019, all elementary teachers are being trained or re-trained in the district. This will help ensure stronger health education for our students.

Kinawa Assistant Principal Sara Roland reported on behalf of Kinawa 5/6 School. Kinawa is in the preliminary stages of teaching reproductive health, which will occur around the end of November.

There is no report for Chippewa Middle School.

There is no report for Okemos High School.

There is no report for Special Education.

Approval of Minutes

Elect PHASE Vice President

School Reports

How does that sperm get to the egg? The recent parent survey indicates that parents want teachers to provide 4th grade students with an answer to that question. Assistant Superintendent John Hood suggested that the PHASE Advisory Board works on new language to be used by teachers to answer this question by creating a subcommittee. Stephanie Fleming, Heather Paris, Terrie Malinak, George Carter and Clara McFarland-Parrot have volunteered to be on the subcommittee. Jill Dehlin will also reach out to either Christena Sinila or Denise Nelson, both 4th grade teachers, to be on this subcommittee as well.

The PHASE Advisory Board reviewed the student and parent surveys.

Jill Dehlin will include curriculum fidelity on each agenda of the PHASE Advisory Board meetings under Old Business. This is to make certain that teachers are showing fidelity and teaching the curriculum the way it is intended to be taught.

The PHASE Handbook is now online under the Personal Health section of the website. Jill Dehlin nominates Michele Borgialli to help with additional materials to be placed on the website that tie in with the handbook.

The PHASE Advisory Board read and discussed the SMART Story from Lhauren. Jill Dehlin will ask Lori Bolin of SMART to make any edits/changes the board would like to see made.

MOVED by Stephanie Fleming, SUPPORTED by Clara McFarland-Parrot, that the board not approve the use of the SMART story from “Lhauren” for 9th grade students.

AYE: 7 NAY: 6 ABSENT: 4 **MOTION CARRIED**

Adjourn at 8:38 pm

Old Business:
How does that sperm get to the egg?
Questions that 4th graders ask.

Student and Parent Surveys

Curriculum Fidelity

Sexual Health Education Handbook

New Business:
SMART Story

Adjourn