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ALLEN PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES • May 20, 2024

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APPROVED ☒

A special meeting of the Allen Park Board of Education was held on Monday, May 20, 2024 at 5:36 p.m. at the Allen Park Middle School Media Center, 8401 Vine, Allen Park.

The special meeting was called to order by President Warren

Pledge of Allegiance

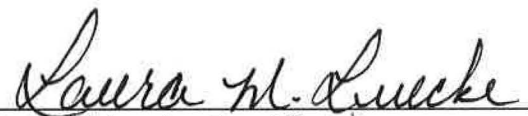
Roll Call/Present: Babbage, Klein, Luecke, MacDonald, Martin, Warren

Absent: Filipiak

2024-080	<p>Motion by Treasurer Martin, supported by Trustee Klein, that the Allen Park Board of Education approve the special meeting agenda be approved as presented.</p> <p>Yeas: Babbage, Klein, Luecke, MacDonald, Martin, Warren</p> <p>Nays: None</p> <p><u>MOTION CARRIED.</u></p>
2024-081	<p>Closed Session pursuant to Section 8(a) of the Open Meetings Act</p> <p>Motion by Trustee Klein, supported by Trustee MacDonald, that the Allen Park Board of Education go into closed session at 5:39 p.m. pursuant to Section 8(a) of the Open Meetings Act to discuss an employee Separation Agreement.</p> <p>Yeas: Babbage, Klein, Luecke, MacDonald, Martin, Warren</p> <p>Nays: None</p> <p><u>MOTION CARRIED.</u></p>
2024-082	<p>Motion by Trustee MacDonald, supported by Trustee Babbage that the Allen Park Board of Education resume open session at 5:45 p.m.</p> <p>Yeas: Babbage, Klein, Luecke, MacDonald, Martin, Warren</p> <p>Nays: None</p> <p><u>MOTION CARRIED.</u></p>
2024-083	<p>Separation Agreement and Release and Discharge of All Claims</p> <p>Motion by Trustee MacDonald, supported by Treasurer Martin that the Allen Park Board of Education approve the Separation Agreement and Release and Discharge of All Claims, as presented and to authorize the Superintendent to sign the Separation Agreement and Release and Discharge of All Claims on behalf of the District.</p> <p>Yeas: Babbage, Klein, Luecke, MacDonald, Martin, Warren</p> <p>Nays: None</p> <p><u>MOTION CARRIED.</u></p>
	<p>Tour of the Middle School Stem Area – The Superintendent and the Board members took a tour of the new STEM area at the Middle School that had been constructed by Barton Malow as part of the district bond project.</p>
	<p>Discussion of Board Goals – At the March 21st Board training session, the Board came up with a list of goals for the board to work on. This evening the groups got together again to discuss ways to achieve these goals.</p> <p>Klein & Luecke</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Idea of getting into schools there needs to be a purpose, don't just walk around.• Using strategic plan as a guide to look for things we need to pay attention to when in the buildings. Be productive while we are there. Have them see us as a positive presence.• Continue to develop communication: Work sessions are where the more difficult discussions are held. The concern is do we have enough time for difficult conversations. Can we maybe do things before the meeting? Moving in a good direction but not locked down yet.

	<p>Martin & Babbage</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More communication between the Superintendent and all of the board members before a meeting not just the President. We should all have a heads-up as to what is or will be going on. • Regarding the teacher's contract, they thought the board should have some say on the contents not just vote yes or no. • Mike pointed out that he shares information in his blog, to the extent that he can pursuant to what Gouri says and what he and Joel agree to share. • For this round, Gouri was our rep at negotiations, there was never an attorney in the past. This is due to all of the legalities around the changes during this time. It won't always be this way. • Athletic Surveys at the end of each season. They did this when Jason was in school, to find out who was interested in which sport and coaches could reach out to them. Could also have an anonymous survey sent out by Jimmy to get feedback of how the season went. • College Scholarship ideas – suggest working with a university i.e. Henry Ford, ask if they would give us 5000 but the recipient would have to go to Henry Ford. <p>MacDonald & Filipiak</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Board Policy – finding a lot of contradicting information with Neola. It may be time to start looking at other options. Jen is going to call Garden City • Scholarship Opportunity – Kick off the brand new pickleball courts with a tournament. • Playgrounds – She spoke to the AP Citizens Civic Fund group. None of our areas have a place to escape the sun. There may be bond money for this. Mike talked to Kelley Ellis to bring this up • Safety on the playgrounds, no solution yet.. Cameras are an option but the range isn't that far. If we have pillars to aid in the shade we could put a camera there. Need to keep thinking about it. <p>Warren & Darga</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussed board scholarship ideas i.e. pickleball tournament to kick off the new tennis/pickleball courts. • At work sessions we will go over upcoming sports events for next month <p>Board goals to all work on together</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visit schools & strategic plan – things we can go to as a group, i.e, unified game • Communication – More communication in general • Board Policy • Scholarship for Board President Award. Look into educational foundation to see if we could do this in AP. Get businesses to participate. Mark Greathead has done this in Woodhaven. • Athletic Surveys – parents and students. Also, there needs to be a table for every sport and club & extra-curricular for incoming 9th graders at new student orientation. Kids coming in miss out because they don't know what we have to offer. • Grounds, playgrounds, etc.
	Citizens' Comments: There were no citizen's comments at this time.
2024-084	<p>Motion by Trustee Klein, supported by Trustee MacDonald that the meeting be adjourned at 8:12 p.m. Yeas: Babbage, Klein, Luecke, MacDonald, Martin, Warren Nays: None <u>MOTION CARRIED.</u></p>

Respectfully Submitted,


 Laura M. Luecke, Board Secretary