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ALLEN PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION VIRTUAL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES • JUNE 22, 2020

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The virtual regular meeting of the Allen Park Board of Education was held on Monday, June 22, 2020. The district live streamed the meeting via the district YouTube account.

Virtual Regular meeting called to order/Instruction for Public Comments: Mr. Gordon Miller

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call/Present: Filipiak, Klein, MacDonald, Miller, Moynihan, Shearer, Warren

Absent: None

2020-060	<p>Motion by Moynihan, supported by Warren, that the consent agenda items be approved as presented:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">Approval of June 22 agendaApproval of June 8 meeting minutesApproval of check registers: 6/5/2020=\$7.00, 6/18/2020=\$474,583.99 <p>Yeas: Filipiak, Klein, MacDonald, Miller, Moynihan, Shearer, Warren Nays: None Absent: None</p> <p>Motion carried.</p> <p>President's Communications: None at this time.</p> <p>Reading of Communications: None at this time.</p>
	<p><i>Public Budget Hearing: 2019-20 Proposed Budget</i></p> <p>As required by law, a public hearing has been posted and held for the purpose of reviewing the proposed budget for the 2020-21 school year. Mrs. Tiffany Keith, Director of Finance, provided the first draft of the proposed budget at the May Board of Education meeting and presented the proposed budget as Scenario A and Scenario B. All of the budget facts and assumptions were identical; the only difference is Scenario A included increases/steps for all groups and employees. The proposed budget was published on the district website, along with the agenda, in advance of the meeting. Board discussion ensued, and while there was a great deal of consideration given to a potential reduction in per pupil funding, Board Members indicated they felt strongly about supporting the 5-year agreement with district teachers, as well as honoring the work of all district personnel.</p>
	<p><i>Citizens' Comments:</i></p> <p>The floor was opened for public comments and questions regarding the proposed budget.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Kate Pearson asked about the district's fund balance percentage, if the district can use those funds to help out, and in what ways does the district plan to do so. (Fund balance illustrated in Proposed Budget/Scenario A & B. Fund balance illustrated in 2019-20 Final Budget Summary, with full state aid, as well as with \$650 prorated cut).
2020-061	<p><i>Personnel:</i></p> <p>A. Employments/Services</p> <p>Motion by MacDonald, supported by Shearer, that the recommendations for employment and services be approved by the Board for the individuals as presented:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Tiffani Harper – PM Custodian/Arno – Effective 6/22/2020Angela Sammut – Volunteer Cheer Coach/APMS – Effective 6/23/2020 <p>Yeas: Filipiak, Klein, MacDonald, Miller, Moynihan, Shearer, Warren Nays: None Absent: None</p> <p>Motion carried.</p>

	<p>B. Retirements/Resignations:</p> <p>We have received and accepted the following resignation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Tanya Duffy – Counselor/APHS – Effective 6/30/2020 <p>Mr. Darga and Board Members extended appreciation to Mrs. Duffy for her dedicated service over the years and wished her the very best in future endeavors.</p>	
2020-062	<p><i>2019-20 Final Budget</i></p> <p>Motion by Moynihan, supported by Warren that the proposed final budget for the 2019-20 school year be approved as presented.</p> <p>Yeas: Filipiak, Klein, MacDonald, Miller, Moynihan, Shearer, Warren</p> <p>Nays: None</p> <p>Absent: None</p> <p>Motion carried</p>	
2020-063	<p><i>2020-21 Budget Adoption</i></p> <p>As presented at the May 11th Board of Education meeting, and again during the Public Budget Hearing earlier this evening, the proposed budget is based upon the information currently available. The proposed budget was presented as Scenario A, and Scenario B, with identical budget assumptions and facts; however, Scenario B is based on no increases or steps for any district employees.</p> <p>Like so many organizations, COVID-19 is projected to have a tremendous impact on the School Aid Fund, with projections of up to a deficit of \$650 per pupil – for an approximate loss of \$2,470,000 to our budget next school year. This deficit information is based on the latest Consensus Revenue Estimating Conference. Obviously, there is a great deal of uncertainty around us, and the State's budget for the School Aid Fund is just one more unknown piece at this time.</p> <p>School districts must approve a budget by June 30 of each year for the upcoming school year for a fiscal year of July 1 through June 30. The State must finalize their budget by September 30 of each year for a fiscal year of October 1 through September 30.</p> <p>Motion by Warren, supported by Klein, that the proposed budget for the 2020-21 school year be adopted as presented in Scenario A.</p> <p>Yeas: Filipiak, Klein, MacDonald, Miller, Moynihan, Shearer, Warren</p> <p>Nays: None</p> <p>Absent: None</p> <p>Motion carried.</p>	
2020-064	<p><i>General Appropriations Resolutions for 2020-21 Budget</i></p> <p>Motion by Moynihan, supported by Klein, that the General Appropriations Resolutions for the General Fund Budget, Capital Projects Fund Budget, Food Service Fund Budget, Debt Fund Budget and Activity Fund Budget as presented for the 2020-21 school year be adopted.</p> <p>Yeas: Filipiak, Klein, MacDonald, Miller, Moynihan, Shearer, Warren</p> <p>Nays: None</p> <p>Absent: None</p> <p>Motion carried.</p>	
2020-065	<p><i>School Loan Revolving Fund – Michigan Department of Treasury</i></p> <p>Motion by Moynihan, supported by MacDonald, that the Board of Education adopt the attached resolution allowing the District to borrow from the State of Michigan School Loan Revolving Fund in the amount of \$5,677,943.00.</p> <p>Yeas: Filipiak, Klein, MacDonald, Miller, Moynihan, Shearer, Warren</p> <p>Nays: None</p> <p>Absent: None</p> <p>Motion carried.</p>	
2020-066	<p><i>Cash Flow Borrowing – Michigan Finance Authority</i></p> <p>Motion by MacDonald, supported by Klein, that the Board of Education adopt the attached resolution authorizing the district to borrow an amount not to exceed \$3 million for cash flow purposes and pledges future state aid payments to repay the loan.</p> <p>Yeas: Filipiak, Klein, MacDonald, Miller, Moynihan, Shearer, Warren</p> <p>Nays: None</p> <p>Absent: None</p>	

	Motion carried.
2020-067	<p>Adoption and Purchase of Springboard English Program for APMS</p> <p>Motion by Warren, supported by MacDonald, that the Allen Park Board of Education adopt and purchase the Springboard English Program for Allen Park Middle School, which includes student materials, teacher resources and formative and summative assessments from the College Board in the amount of \$53,960.36.</p> <p>Yeas: Filipiak, Klein, MacDonald, Miller, Moynihan, Shearer, Warren</p> <p>Nays: None</p> <p>Absent: None</p> <p>Motion carried.</p>
2020-068	<p><i>Purchase of Ovens for APMS</i></p> <p>Motion by Moynihan, supported by MacDonald, that the Allen Park Board of Education approve the purchase of two Rational Combination Ovens from Stafford-Smith, Inc. in the amount of \$35,501.00.</p> <p>Yeas: Filipiak, Klein, MacDonald, Miller, Moynihan, Shearer, Warren</p> <p>Nays: None</p> <p>Absent: None</p> <p>Motion carried.</p>
	<p><i>Superintendent's Report:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> APHS & APCS Diploma Days <p>The 'drive thru diploma days' at APHS and APCS were fun, casual and memorable. Congrats to the Class of 2020 and families and special thanks to the staff and parents who worked so very hard to make this occasion special for our graduates.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Updates from the Governor Whitmer <p>On Wednesday, Gov. Gretchen Whitmer announced in-person school instruction may go forward in the fall with strict, mandatory health and safety protocols that will be defined in the Roadmap for Return to Learn. We expect that roadmap to be released on or around June 30, 2020. The Return to School plan will align closely with the MI Safe Start Plan.</p> <p>The roadmap is being worked on by the Education Task Force and the Return to School Advisory Council. It is expected to set the minimum health and safety requirements but allow districts to choose to enact more aggressive ones in consultation with local public health officials. These minimum requirements will apply to all schools, including traditional public, charter, private and parochial schools. The Governor also acknowledged that her top budget priority is to preserve school funding as the protocols necessary for a safe return to school will require additional expenditures.</p> <p>The Governor also issued Executive Order 2020-179, which extends the Open Meetings Act orders to allow school boards to continue to meet remotely. This order is now extended through July 31, 2020. The Governor is also working on a permanent law change to allow for remote participation.</p> <p>Also, the House and Senate agreed to a supplemental budget that would provide funding to pay for services and programs related to the COVID-19 pandemic. Senate Bill 690 allocates \$880 million from the Federal Coronavirus Relief Fund for the current fiscal year. If that amount, local school districts will receive \$18 million to be distributed by July 30 on a per-pupil basis. This funding is to support instructional recovery programming specifically designed to enable students to catch up on learning that was interrupted by the COVID-19 outbreak. It can also be used for benchmark assessments, and health and safety expenditures necessary to provide safe instruction.</p> <p>Additionally, the budget includes \$25 million to coordinate and incentivize purchasing of devices for use by students at home and in schools and to address access and connectivity issues for students. These funds will be administered by the Michigan Association of Intermediate School Districts through existing purchasing programs. The goal is to increase access and connectivity and coordinate with service providers to assist low-income families in connecting to existing services. The budget passed unanimously in both chambers and is expected to be signed by Gov. Whitmer.</p>
	<i>Citizens' Comments:</i> None at this time.
	<p>Reports of Officers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Shearer thanked Mrs. Tiffany Keith (Director of Finance) for a great job, as always! Mr. Shearer also applauded the "Drive Thru Diploma Day" – he loved it, it was very festive! Mr. Shearer also

	<p>gave a shout out to Mr. John Kelley for taking care of ordering and delivering a late request for an APHS Decision Day sign!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Mrs. Filipiak congratulated the Class of 2020, and thanked Mr. Darga, Dr. Tafelski and Mrs. Keith for always driving the district forward. Mrs. Filipiak also indicated that she was skeptical at first in moving forward with Proposed Budget "Scenario A," but staff morale, especially coming of this past year, is so very important. ▪ Mrs. MacDonald also congratulated the graduates of the Class of 2020 and thanked Mrs. Keith and Mr. Darga for serving as sounding boards for her with so many unknowns at this time. Mrs. MacDonald also stated that if things turn out for the worst, we will revisit; she appreciates the process and hearing what other board members have to say and contribute when making decisions. ▪ Dr. Warren thanked Mrs. Tiffany Keith for the clear, detailed budget presentations. She also thanked Dr. Tafelski and Mrs. Radakovich for always looking for new ways to help children learn (ELA Springboard). She offered a huge congrats to the Class of 2020; her brother and goddaughter are part of this celebrated group! Thanks to all who made the Diploma Day possible. ▪ Mr. Klein reiterated congrats to the resilient Class of 2020. He also thanked Mrs. Tiffany Keith for all her hard work; the Board will dive in and do the hard work regarding budget if we need to re-visit. Mr. Klein also shared that Mr. Larry Templin, former School Resource Officer in APPS, passed away recently. Mr. Klein shared that Mr. Templin was kind man and he will be missed by many. ▪ Mr. Miller thanked Mrs. Filipiak for touching on the importance of teacher/staff morale. ▪ Mr. Darga thanked Mayor Gail McLeod, Councilman Tony Lalli, Board Members Pat Shearer and Dr. Jen Warren for attending the Diploma Day! Hopefully we will have the link for K-12 Media Solutions for the virtual graduations soon. Lastly, in response to Mr. Shearer's questions, two 'educational issues' on the November ballot – Wayne County Enhancement Millage and 5 open seats on the Allen Park Board of Education.
2020-069	Motion by Klein, supported by Warren, that the meeting adjourn at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,


 Sarah C. Filipiak, Board Secretary