

# ALLEN PARK PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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## ALLEN PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES • DECEMBER 11, 2017 ALLEN PARK HIGH SCHOOL

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APPROVED

The regular meeting of the Allen Park Board of Education was held on Monday, December 11, 2017, at Allen Park High School, Large Group Instruction Room, 18401 Champaign, Allen Park, Michigan.

Regular meeting called to order/Solicitation of Comment Cards – 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call/Present: DesJardins, Hall, Klenczar, Marten, Miller, Moynihan, Sheppard

Mr. Darga sends his regrets as he is unable to join us this evening – it is important that he be with his family supporting them through a medical situation this evening.

Absent: None

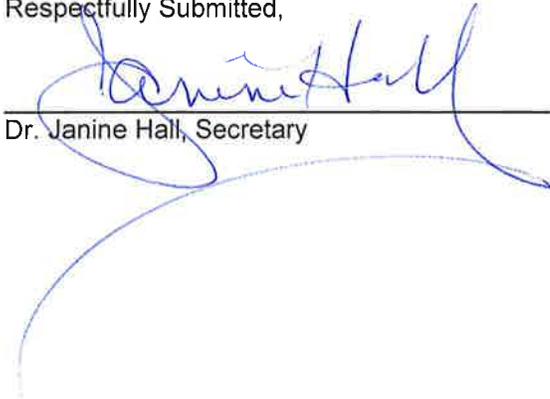
17-146	<p>Motion by Hall, supported by Moynihan, that the agenda be amended as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ That under #11 Introduction of New Business – Action Item #5 – Purchase of Security Cameras be removed from this evening’s agenda</li> <li>▪ That #15 Adjournment be changed to Closed Session for the purpose of strategy/negotiations in compliance with Section 8(c) of the Michigan Open Meetings Act.</li> <li>▪ That under #11 Introduction of New Business – Action Item #2 – Ratification of Collective Bargaining Agreement – Allen Park Education Association MEA/NEA be moved to #16</li> <li>▪ That Transfer of Wayne County Education Enhancement Millage Funds be added to the agenda as #17, and Adjournment as #18</li> </ul> <p>Yeas: DesJardins, Hall, Klenczar, Marten, Miller, Moynihan, Sheppard                  Nays: None                  Absent: None</p> <p>Motion carried.</p>
17-147	<p>Motion by Marten, supported by Hall, that the consent agenda items be approved as presented:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Approval of December 11 agenda</li> <li>b. Approval of November 13 meeting minutes and November 13 closed meeting minutes</li> <li>c. Approval of registers: 11/13/2017=\$657.57, 11/16/2017=\$674.51, 11/17/2017=\$3,322.73, 11/21/2017=\$56,623.54, 11/27/2017=\$49,484.36, 12/1/2017-\$7,146.99, 12/4/2017=\$49,468.77, 12/7/2017=\$247,233.77</li> <li>d. Approval of wire transfers: 11/10/2017 thru 12/6/2017=\$1,469,804.83</li> </ol> <p>Yeas: DesJardins, Hall, Klenczar, Marten, Miller, Moynihan, Sheppard                  Nays: None                  Absent: None</p> <p>Motion carried.</p>
	<p>President’s Communications: On behalf of the Board of Education, a letter was sent to the Granader Family Restaurants (local McDonald Restaurants) expressing appreciation for the generous monetary donation to Arno, Bennie and Lindemann Elementary Schools to purchase school supplies for students in need.</p>
	<p>Reading of Communications: None at this time.</p>
	<p>Citizen’s Comments (<i>pertaining to agenda</i>):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Mrs. Barb Pushman, First Grade Teacher at Arno, shared excerpts from an article from Forbes – “How America Is Breaking Public Education,” Ethan Slegel, Contributor. Mrs. Pushman also shared her concerns for a “one size fits all curriculum,” academic freedom and wages/cost of healthcare.</li> </ul>
	<p><i>“In the Spotlight” – Student Presentations</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Brenna McCalister - APHS</li> </ul> <p>Brenna shared student activity news that included student council fundraising events – Seniors organized a volleyball tournament that raised over \$1,000; hosted Sadies Dance and working on a Prom Fashion Show; Juniors planned a “Parents Night Out” for elementary parents and selling Yankee candles; Sophomores held a ham fundraiser and Freshman are selling candy grams. Student Council has offered to host the 2019 State Student Council Conference, APAW is sharing cold weather pet tips, LINKs organizing a Christmas Party,</p>

	<p>Bowling Club held their first competition, Link Crew continues to mentor Freshmen, NHS organized the upcoming Holiday Toy Box Party and the Robotics Team has participated in two competitions and working on sponsorship drive.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Brendan Johnson - APMS</li> </ul> <p>Brendan reported that an Ugly Sweater dance was enjoyed last Friday, NJHS held a wreath fundraising which raised over \$2,000, NJHS is donating socks to homeless, Book Club held a bake sale, pop can tabs are being collected for a Ronald McDonald House and 1<sup>st</sup> newspaper edition of the year is coming out soon!</p>
	<p><i>Special Presentations:</i></p> <p><b>Rotary Club of Allen Park: Donation to Elementary Literacy Project</b></p> <p>In early fall, the Reading Specialist Team from Arno, Bennie and Lindemann Elementary Schools drafted a proposal for all three elementary schools for funding for book sets and literacy materials for teaching staff to use with Allen Park students. The proposal was submitted to The Rotary Club of Allen Park and approved for full funding in November.</p> <p>Rotarians Dale Cook, Annette Prevaux and Kenneth Leiber of The Rotary Club of Allen Park presented Reading Specialists, Dr. Barb Chuby and Mrs. Sandy Artman, and appreciative students with a generous \$7,200 donation check to make the literacy program proposal a reality!</p> <p>The staff at Allen Park Public Schools is committed to seeking innovative learning opportunities for our young readers. As funding for schools continues to decline and costs continue to rise, the Allen Park Public School District is extremely grateful to The Rotary Club of Allen Park for the support of literacy programming and commitment to quality public education.</p> <p><b>Friends of the Allen Park Public Libraries</b></p> <p>Over the years, the Friends of the AP Public Libraries organization has always supported the Allen Park Public Schools Media Centers through various fundraising efforts. This evening, Mr. Jim Krizan, treasurer and officer for the past 10 years, and Mrs. Carol Meyers, past president of the organization, presented the district with a generous monetary donation to benefit district Media Centers. This is a final donation as the organization has become inactive. On behalf of the Allen Park Board of Education, sincere appreciation was extended to Mrs. Meyers, Mr. Krizan and all the organization volunteers over the years for the hard work, dedication to literacy and support of APPS.</p> <p><b>Keep Michigan Beautiful: Bennie Garden Award</b></p> <p>Mr. Don Graham, Allen Park resident and Executive Director of the Keep Michigan Beautiful organization, presented Mrs. Maureen Klein (Garden Club Advisor), Mrs. Sara Metzger (Principal) and students with "The Michigan Plaque" designation, citing highlights such as the club sells the produce and flowers from the garden at the AP Farmers Market to re-invest for the following year's garden and that the garden serves as an outdoor classroom for rich, authentic learning in the areas of Science, Math and Art. The Bennie Garden Club has 42 student participants this year and the children in attendance shared highlights of their personal involvement.</p>
	<p>Thanks to Board Member Mrs. Julie Sheppard, a holiday cake was shared with all presenters, students, and audience members from 7:40 until 7:50 p.m. Regular meeting to resume at 7:51 a.m.</p>
17-148	<p><i>Personnel:</i></p> <p>A. Employments/Services</p> <p>Motion by Moynihan, supported by Klenczar, that the recommendations for employment, services and volunteering be approved by the Board for the individuals as listed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Joe Johnson – Teacher/APCS – Effective 11/20/2017</li> <li>○ Tiffany Keith – Director of Finance/Riley – Effective 12/12/2017</li> <li>○ Sarah Wilson – Custodian/APMS – Effective 12/12/2017</li> </ul> <p>Yeas: DesJardins, Hall, Klenczar, Marten, Miller, Moynihan, Sheppard Nays: None Absent: None</p> <p>Motion carried.</p> <p>B. Resignations/Retirements</p> <p>The following resignation has been received and accepted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Martha Fondren – Custodian/APMS – Effective 11/8/2017</li> </ul>
17-149	<p><i>Employer/Employee Health Care Cost Contribution Option – PA 152 of 2011</i></p> <p>Per Public Act 152 of 2011, districts are required to either pay no more than 80% for insurance, with employees paying the 20% balance - or – pay the insurance cost up to the hard cap amount set by the State. The employees then pay the difference between the total cost of the premium and the hard cap.</p>

	<p>Motion by Miller, supported by Moynihan, that the Allen Park Board of Education adopt the attached resolution to comply with Public Act 152 by implementing the 80/20 health care cost contribution option to eligible employees during the period January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018.</p> <p>Yeas: DesJardins, Hall, Klenczar, Marten, Miller, Moynihan, Sheppard  Nays: None  Absent: None</p> <p>Motion carried.</p>
17-150	<p><i>District Code of Conduct 2017-18</i></p> <p>Motion by Moynihan, supported by Hall, that the proposed changes to the district Code of Conduct be approved as presented.</p> <p>Yeas: DesJardins, Hall, Klenczar, Marten, Miller, Moynihan, Sheppard  Nays: None  Absent: None</p> <p>Motion carried.</p>
17-151	<p><i>Senate Bill 584-586 &amp; 366 – Concealed Pistols in Schools (Opposition Resolution)</i></p> <p>On November 8 the Senate passed Senate Bills 584-586 which will allow individuals who obtain a special endorsement with his or her concealed pistol license to carry concealed weapons within schools, day care centers, bars, areas, churches and libraries. It allows only private property owners and universities to make policies related to firearms on their property. School districts would not be able to set any policy stricter than state law.</p> <p>The 3 guns bills were quickly introduced, quickly passed out of committee and quickly passed on the Senate floor, all within one week. The bill package is now before the House Committee on Judiciary. This legislation will prohibit open carry of firearms on school property, but schools will have to allow individuals with a CPS endorsement to carry concealed firearms on school property. Schools will be able to prohibit their students and employees from carrying firearms on school property, but a schools' policy cannot prohibit individuals who are not enrolled or employed by the school from carrying a firearm on the schools property. MASB feels school boards should be able to implement policies related to firearms as it best fits their district and community and opposes guns in schools carried by any individual who is not a law enforcement officer as they have sufficient training to identify and deescalate an active shooter situation.</p> <p>Motion by Miller, supported by Marten, that the Allen Park Board of Education adopt the Opposition to Senate Bills 584-586 and 366 Resolution as presented.</p> <p>Yeas: DesJardins, Hall, Klenczar, Marten, Miller, Moynihan, Sheppard  Nays: None  Absent: None</p> <p>Motion carried.</p>
17-152	<p><i>Donation of Book Collection to APMS</i></p> <p>Motion by Moynihan, supported by Marten, that the generous collection of fiction and non-fiction books from Mrs. Mirielle Ripley be accepted as presented.</p> <p>Yeas: DesJardins, Hall, Klenczar, Marten, Miller, Moynihan, Sheppard  Nays: None  Absent: None</p> <p>Motion carried.</p>
	<p><i>Superintendent's Report:</i></p> <p>On behalf of Mr. Darga and the Board of Education, Mr. Dawson (Director of Human Resources) conveyed holiday wishes to all and shared school holiday events taking place over the next couple weeks.</p>
	<p><i>Citizens' Comments:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Mr. Bob Loyd, APHS Teacher, appreciated the opposition resolution adopted and would like to see more support/resolutions in conjunction with other districts to make legislators know district(s) stance on school related bills/legislation and ultimately deliver the message on what is best for students – strengthening our district as a positive, collaborative district and putting more pressure on legislators.</li> </ul>
	<p><i>Reports of Officers:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Mr. Miller conveyed that the Board of Education does pass resolutions based on various issues and that adopted resolutions are sent to legislators. He also stated that people vote for legislators based on what is important to them – and in some instances that may be 'what is the candidate's position on public education.'</li> <li>▪ Mrs. Sheppard interjected that while the Board can pass resolutions, everyone needs to make an effort to become aware and vote accordingly.</li> <li>▪ Mr. DesJardins commented that he enjoyed the wonderful APHS holiday themed music concert last</li> </ul>

Wednesday.	
17-153	Motion by Hall, supported by Moynihan, that the meeting be recessed at 8:18 p.m. for the purpose of strategy/negotiations in compliance with Section 8(c) of the Michigan Open Meetings Act.
17-154	Motion by Marten, supported by Moynihan, that the closed session be adjourned and return to the regular open meeting at 9:17 p.m.
17-155	<p><i>Ratification of Collective Bargaining Agreement – Allen Park Education Association MEA/NEA</i></p> <p>Motion by Miller, supported by Moynihan that the tentative Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Allen Park Board of Education and the Allen Park Education Association MEA/NEA be approved as presented.</p> <p>Yeas: DesJardins, Hall, Klenczar, Miller, Moynihan, Sheppard  Nays: None  Absent: None  Abstain: Marten</p> <p>Motion carried.</p>
17-156	<p><i>Transfer of Wayne County Education Enhancement Millage Funds</i></p> <p>Motion by Hall, supported by Klenczar, that the remaining Wayne County Education Enhancement Millage Funds from the 2016-17 school year be transferred into the General Fund. In addition, all Wayne County Education Enhancement Millage Funds collected during the 2017-18 school year be transferred into the General Fund.</p> <p>Yeas: DesJardins, Hall, Klenczar, Marten, Miller, Moynihan, Sheppard  Nays: None  Absent: None</p> <p>Motion carried.</p>
17-157	Motion by Sheppard, supported by Marten, that the meeting adjourn at 9:19 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,




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 Dr. Janine Hall, Secretary