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ALLEN PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION VIRTUAL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES • JUNE 8, 2020

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The virtual regular meeting of the Allen Park Board of Education was held on Monday, June 8, 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

2020-052	<p>Motion by Moynihan, supported by MacDonald, that the consent agenda items be approved as presented:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Approval of June 8 agenda▪ Approval of May 11 meeting minutes▪ Approval of registers: 5/14/2020=\$4,170.56, 5/21/2020=\$495,684.64, 5/28/2020=\$2,124.00, 6/4/2020=\$209,976.41▪ Approval of wire transfers: 5/7/2020 thru 6/3/2020=\$1,379,639.01 <p>Yeas: Filipiak, Klein, MacDonald, Miller, Moynihan, Shearer, Warren Nays: None Absent: None</p> <p>Motion carried.</p>
	President's Communications: None at this time.
	Reading of Communications: None at this time.
2020-053	<p><i>Personnel:</i></p> <p><i>A. Award of Excellence – Congratulations on your retirement!</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Cynthia Brosious – Teacher/APMS – 40 years▪ Patrick Coll – Teacher/APMS – 28 years▪ Tracy Hoffman – Elementary Vocal Music – 31 years▪ Nicole Quisenberry – Teacher/Bennie – 25.5 years <p>On behalf of the Board of Education, Mr. Darga wished the Class of 2020 Retirees much happiness in their retirement and thanked retirees for the invaluable contributions made to Allen Park Public Schools. Collectively, this group of outstanding individuals represents a remarkable 124.5 years of service to the students, parents, staff and school community of Allen Park as exemplary educators. It has been an honor and privilege to have you as members of the Allen Park School Family. Best wishes for a retirement filled with good health, joy and fulfillment.</p> <p>Mrs. Nicole Quisenberry was present and thanked principals for the support and encouragement over the years, fellow teachers for inspiration and lifelong friendship, and special thanks to Sam, Delaney, Logan and Parker for always listening and helping with classroom set-up and take down each year! Mrs. Quisenberry thanked staff and students for the memories and closed by sharing that "It's always a good day to be a Bennie Bobcat!"</p> <p><i>B. Employments/Services:</i></p> <p>Motion by Moynihan, supported by MacDonald, that the recommendations for employment and services be approved by the Board for the individuals as presented:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Brett Bennett – Boys Varsity Soccer Coach/APHS – Effective 6/23/2020▪ Victoria Rose – School Social Worker/APMS – Effective 9/1/2020▪ Brooke Tkach – Freshman Volleyball Coach/APHS – Effective 6/23/2020▪ Emily Vickers – School Psychologist/APMS, APHS, APCS – Effective 9/1/2020 <p>Yeas: Filipiak, Klein, MacDonald, Miller, Moynihan, Shearer, Warren Nays: None</p>

	<p>Absent: None</p> <p>Motion carried.</p> <p>C. Retirements/Resignations: The following resignations have been received and accepted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Shelby Cox – Freshman Volleyball Coach/APHS – Effective 5/8/2020 ▪ David Siddall – Bus Driver/Operations – Effective 6/4/2020 <p>D. Tenure Recognition The educators listed below have received effective, or highly effective, evaluation ratings throughout the course of their respective probationary period with APPS, including the current school year. Accordingly, these educators should be recognized for their acquisition of teacher tenure due to the completion of the requirements of the Michigan Teachers' Tenure Act, MCL 38.71.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Michelle Calvillo ▪ Shane Farrell ▪ Thomas Fasca ▪ Erin Higgins ▪ Dan Loyd ▪ Christina Mercer ▪ Christina Rice ▪ Nicolette Stanley
	<p><i>Curriculum Department Update – Dr. John Tafelski, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction</i> As we begin to prepare for re-entry and plans for fall 2020, the district is preparing for school on three fronts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Traditional setting, with enhanced cleaning and disinfecting ▪ Hybrid/blended approach, where students attend partial days or alternating days combined with online learning ▪ Comprehensive online learning experience <p>Discussion included providing any APPS families with a self-paced learning option, regardless of the directed method of learning this fall, to any families who feel that is a best fit for their family life. Students will easily re-engage when comfortable and ready to return to school. Student IEPs will be followed, providing academic and social/emotional supports and students will continue to be engaged through case managers. Schedules will need to be coordinated for families with more than one child attending APPS as daycare on off days will be a challenge for many families. The district has shifted from a response to a crisis to planning for learning. Any online learning this fall will be much more robust than this past spring and will include accountability and grading. Teachers are participating in week-long professional development through CBD Consultants entitled, <i>Remote Instruction Essentials</i>, as a first step in creating a sustainable plan for the 2020-21 school year. We will do whatever we can to support our families.</p>
	<p><i>Citizens' Comments:</i> none at this time</p>
2020-054	<p><i>Wayne County Regional Enhancement Millage Renewal Resolution</i> Motion by Moynihan, supported by MacDonald, that the Allen Park Board of Education adopt the Resolution Requesting Renewal of Regional Enhancement Millage as presented. Yeas: Filipiak, Klein, MacDonald, Miller, Moynihan, Shearer, Warren Nays: None Absent: None Motion carried.</p>
2020-055	<p><i>Wayne RESA Nurse Consultation Services for 2020-21</i> Motion by MacDonald, supported by Shearer, that the Nursing Agreement with Wayne RESA for the 2020-21 school year in the amount of \$12,000 be approved as presented. Yeas: Filipiak, Klein, MacDonald, Miller, Moynihan, Shearer, Warren Nays: None Absent: None Motion carried.</p>
2020-056	<p><i>Property Tax Rate Certification (Non-Homestead/Headlee Restoration & School Debt/Bond Rate)</i> Motion by Moynihan, supported by Shearer, that the Allen Park Board of Education adopt the rate certification resolution for the full authorized millage rate of 18 mills levied on NON-Homestead property in the district for the purpose of maintaining programs, staff and services and a school debt/bond rate of 12 mills for the 2020-21 school year.</p>

	<p>Yeas: Filipiak, Klein, MacDonald, Miller, Moynihan, Shearer, Warren Nays: None Absent: None Motion carried.</p>
2020-057	<p><i>2020 Refunding Bonds – Authorizing Resolution</i> Motion by Warren, supported by Klein, that the Resolution Authorizing the Issuance and Delegating the Sale of Allen Park Public Schools 2020 Refunding Bonds be adopted as presented. Yeas: Filipiak, Klein, MacDonald, Miller, Moynihan, Shearer, Warren Nays: None Absent: None Motion carried.</p>
2020-058	<p><i>Federal COVID-19 Funding Resolution</i> Motion by Warren, supported by MacDonald, that the Allen Park Board of Education adopt the Resolution in Support of the request for federal COVID funding for public schools as presented. Yeas: Filipiak, Klein, MacDonald, Miller, Moynihan, Shearer, Warren Nays: None Absent: None Motion carried.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Diploma Day for APHS & APCS – June 13, 2020 Opportunity for grads/families to receive their diploma and have their picture taken by a professional photographer, using social distancing. Only graduate and one family member may exit the car. Board members are welcome to attend/view if they wish. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → APCS – 12:00-3:00 p.m. → APHS – 10:00-5:00 p.m. ▪ Update on APHS Gymnasium Floor <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Partially damaged during spring break due to a water leak → Insurance claim was submitted and approved → Consideration was given to full replacement or repair → Varsity Flooring to do repairs – costs covered by insurance claim ▪ Thank you to APPS Staff <p>Mr. Darga expressed how very proud he is of APPS staff and initiatives, especially during these last few months. Many staff were not set up at home for online learning and had to purchase devices, upgrade their network service provider for classroom Zoom sessions and had increased printing costs at home. The district is looking into CARES Act funding to provide more devices for staff use at home. Great job teachers – our staff is #1!</p>
	<p><i>Citizens' Comments:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Mrs. Kendra Payette-Linn stated that the nurse at the county is an invaluable resource, she gives strong trainings and recently noted how to support students on line as well, recommending that virtual teachers receive training on symptoms of chronic medical health conditions that are known, such as diabetes or seizures (based the plans created by doctors). Thank you for approving. ▪ Mrs. Kendra Payette-Linn also thanked the Board of Education for allowing an opportunity for additional social worker support in the buildings, this will provide a mental health specialist in each building full time. This is an important step to help support all students with the mental health expertise needed, especially in these times. Thank you to the administrators who supported this!
	<p><i>Reports of Officers:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Mrs. Filipiak echoed Mr. Darga's comments – teachers have risen to the occasion, going above and beyond. Her daughter attending APMS has had an outstanding experience. The AP train kept on rolling, with positivity and responsiveness. ▪ Mr. Shearer echoed sentiments expressed by Mrs. Filipiak regarding the great effort put forth by staff during a crisis. Mr. Shearer has two graduates this year and thought the virtual Honors Convocation was really neat and very creative. He loved the student pics walking on stage and then taking a seat! Mr. Shearer also appreciated the "Floyd Letter" and participated in the recent, peaceful march in Allen Park. ▪ Mr. Klein reiterated a thank you to educators and staff for their hard work. He also thanked his wife, Maureen, for organizing the amazing Baccalaureate Service for graduates and fostering the partnership between APPS and the Allen Park Presbyterian Church. Mr. Klein is excited to see creative solutions for learning this fall.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Dr. Warren congratulated the retirees – amazing teachers and a personal favorite of one of her children, Mr. Hoffman! Teachers make a high impact on our student and Dr. Warren is excited to see the new hires-social worker and school psychologist-help our staff and students this fall. Dr. Warren congratulated the teachers being granted tenure, and thanked teachers and administrators for coming together to do school work effectively. In closing, Dr. Warren thanked all the parents and grandparents for helping teach kids during this crisis. ▪ Mr. Moynihan echoed comments made by fellow board members. He thanked a strong administrative team for putting in a lot of extra hours during this crisis, and concluded with "It's good to be a Jag!" ▪ Mrs. MacDonald also echoed sentiments expressed by colleagues and shared special congrats with retirees. She has two grandchildren who love Mr. Hoffman and will miss him! Mrs. MacDonald also congratulated newly tenured teachers thanked administration for their support during this crisis. In closing, Mrs. MacDonald stated that it is good to know what we're capable of, as we rise to the occasion and shared a quote from Ben Franklin – "Out of adversity comes opportunity." ▪ Mr. Miller thanked Mr. Darga for his strong leadership and for sending out the "Floyd Letter" as we must make sure we to our best for <u>all</u> students. Mr. Miller also thanked all the amazing applicants for the Jeffery A. Koniarz Memorial Scholarship. Mr. Miller expressed appreciation to the Koniarz family members for all the work it takes to continue offering this generous \$4,000 scholarship honoring the legacy and memory of Jeffery, and also thanked the scholarship selection committee members – Mr. Danosky, Mrs. West and Mrs. Mang, who are always quick to volunteer their time. In closing, Mr. Miller shared that we are starting to pick up from where we were a month ago, and that getting through this crisis will take hard work, but we will get through this together.
2020-059	Motion by Klein, supported by Warren, that the meeting adjourn at 8:11 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,


 Sarah C. Filipiak, Board Secretary