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ALLEN PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES • OCTOBER 14, 2019 ALLEN PARK HIGH SCHOOL

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	gular meeting of the Allen Park Board of Education was held on Monday, October 14, 2019, at Allen Park High Large Group Instruction Room, 18401 Champaign, Allen Park, Michigan.
Regula	r meeting called to order/Solicitation of Comment Cards – 7:02 p.m.
Pledae	of Allegiance
•	ent of silence was held in memory of Mr. Robert Loyd.
	II/Present: Klein, MacDonald, Miller, Moynihan, Sheppard, Warren
Absent	
19-114	 Motion by Warren, supported by Sheppard, that the consent agenda items be approved as presented: a. Approval of October 14 agenda b. Approval of September 9 Work Session & Regular Meeting Minutes and September 10 Special Meeting Minutes c. Approval of registers: 9/10/2019=\$60.00, 9/12/2019=\$285,971.84, 9/13/2019=\$33,080.00, 9/16/2019=\$1,323.71, 9/18/2019=\$389.40, 9/20/2019=\$3,393.00, 9/26/2019=\$137,817.01, 9/27/2019=\$50,436.73, 10/1/2019=\$13,007.67, 10/10/2019=\$430,523.20 d. Approval of wire transfers: 9/5/2019 thru 10/9/2019=\$1,207,629.89
	Nays: None
	Absent: None Motion carried.
	President's Communications: None at this time.
	Reading of Communications: None at this time.
	Citizens' Comments (pertaining to agenda): Pat McParland expressed condolences to the family and friends of Mr. Bob Loyd. In regard to the offer to purchase received for the Lapham/Horger property, Mr. McParland sought consideration to save the park that was platted on the property. Andrew Hill thanked the board representatives for attending the recent neighborhood meeting
	regarding the possible sale of the Lapham/Horger property and wanted to clarify any misconceptions regarding the tot lot and it's location. He emphasized the request to preserve some green space for families while considering the offers received for the Lapham/Horger property and requested the board consider adding 2 additional lots to the existing, platted tot lot/park. Mayor Bill Matakas stated that he has tried to improve all areas of Allen Park and that parks add value. Mr. Matakas noted that while the city has been cutting the Lapham/Horger property lawn, the city was merely helping the school district, and that the entire parcel is owned by Allen Park Public
	Schools. Mr. Matakas also shared that there is a park on Laurence and Arlington, 2 blocks north of Lapham/Horger property, and that \$200,000 in improvements will be made to that park beginning on Wednesday. The plan has been in the works for some time.
	 "In the Spotlight" – Student Presentations High School Student Representative: Victor Martinez Victor shared class and club fall activities that include the Class of 2020 placed a down payment on prom venue and are sponsoring a Trunk or Treat on October 27, Junior Class is selling AP bracelets and Yankee candles, Sophomores are selling Tervas travels mugs, Freshmen are holding a raffle fundraiser and helped with the homecoming spaghetti dinner. The APAW Club is holding a coffee fundraiser, NHS will induct new members on Wednesday and have begun tutoring at the public library after school, Prism Club is working with Mr. Paquette on updating health curriculum and Interact Club Krispy Kreme fundraiser begins on October 31.

Middle School Student Representative: Mary Dunne
Mary shared highlights from APMS, which included wrapping up NWEA testing, 6th graders are settling in, upcoming Halloween Dance, NJHS is selling wreaths and greens, upcoming parent/student meeting for Washington, DC trip, and Student Council is selling bottled water for an 'adopt a family' program. Student Council also elected new officers for this school year.

Special Presentation – Recognition of Rotary Club of Allen Park – 1st Grade Book Donation Program Mrs. Annette Prevaux (The Visionary) represented the Rotary Club of Allen Park, sharing that this program was to honor the memory of Jim Beebe, carrying on his legacy. Mrs. Prevaux conveyed that roughly 20 years ago Rotarian Jim Beebe started the Reading with Rotary program to give the first graders in the Allen Park school district a book twice a year and read with them in the classroom.

Jim was an Allen Park grad, a businessman in town and a Past-President of our Rotary club. He was passionate about literacy and bringing books to the kids.

The program has now grown to include Cabrini and the Melvindale-Northern Allen Park first graders as well. This year the Rotary Club of Allen Park is proud to announce that we will be giving each first grader a new Scholastic book each month for the entire school year. This is due to the success of our annual Jim Beebe Memorial Golf outing each spring.

Jim would be very pleased to know we are carrying on his legacy and reminding our first graders that Readers are Leaders. Special thanks to Ronnie Beebe, Jim's widow for organizing the classrooms and counts, Bob and the late Linda Bateman for ordering and delivering books and to Kristie Donohue who orders for us now.

Mrs. Sarah Metzger (Bennie Principal), Mrs. Sandy Artman (Reading Specialist), along with first grade teachers – Mrs. McCall, Mrs. Latigo, Mrs. Rader and Ms. Rose – brought some very special first graders to share their gratitude to the Rotary Club of Allen Park.

This is an amazing program, sure to get our youngest learners reading and certainly a cause for celebration. The Board of Education expressed their appreciation for the generous donation of literacy resources and for all the organization does for the students of Allen Park schools. Their contributions greatly enhance the education of our students!

19-115

Personnel:

A. Employments/Services – to be approved en masse

Motion by Moynihan, supported by Sheppard, that the recommendations for employment and services be approved by the Board for the individuals as listed:

- o Timothy Baran System Support Analyst/Riley Effective 10/21/2019
- o Amanda Booth Lunch Parapro/Bennie Effective 9/23/2019
- o Zachary Cruz Learning Lab Supervisor/APHS Effective 10/10/2019
- Nancy Faiola Latchkey/Lindemann Effective 9/23/2019
- Shelby Ivey Lunch Parapro/Arno Effective 9/19/2019
- Hate Merkaj Custodian/APHS Effective 9/23/2019
- Tracy Morrison Food Service/Floating Position Effective 10/2/2019
- o Danielle Perry Lunch Parapro/Arno Effective 9/10/2019
- Derek Railey Custodian/Arno Effective 10/3/2019

Yeas: Klein, MacDonald, Miller, Moynihan, Sheppard, Warren

Nays: None Absent: None

Motion carried.

B. Resignations/Retirements:

The following resignations have been received and accepted:

- o Derrick Burch System Support Analyst/Riley Effective 9/27/2019
- Patrick Collins Custodian/Arno Effective 9/16/2019
- o Emily Czajka Asst. Preschool Teacher/Lindemann Effective 9/27/2019
- Starr Durocher Food Service Cashier/Lindemann Effective 9/20/2019
- Amanda Flynn Latchkev/Lindemann Effective 9/9/2019
- O Gloria Garnetti Latchkey/Lindemann Effective 10/7/2019
- Lisa Haggarty Latchkey/Lindemann Effective 9/9/2019
- David Jones Latchkey/Lindemann Effective 9/9/2019

19-116	 Linda Marcis – Lunch Parapro/Arno – Effective 9/16/2019 Ross Mullican – Learning Lab Supervisor/APHS – Effective 10/11/2019 Marleen Nowland – Operations Assistant/Operations – Effective 9/30/2019 Dylan Pippin – Independence Parapro/APMS – Effective 9/9/2019 Carly Schultz – Latchkey/Arno – Effective 9/9/2019 Mary Stewart – Lunch Parapro/APMS – Effective 9/27/2019 Lori Totten – Bus Driver/Operations – Effective 10/4/2019 Annual Summer Tax Resolution
	Pursuant to Revised School Code Section 1613, school districts are required to renew/invoke authorization for summer tax levy of either 50% or 100% on an annual basis by December 31. The Board has authorized a 100% summer tax levy for the past few years, and we wish to renew authorization for continuation.
	Motion by Moynihan, supported by Sheppard, that the Allen Park Board of Education adopt the Summer Tax Resolution for 2020 as presented. Yeas: Klein, MacDonald, Miller, Moynihan, Sheppard, Warren Nays: None Absent: None Motion carried.
19-117	Board Policy: Prohibition of Referral or Assistance – 2 nd Reading/Approval Motion by MacDonald, supported by Moynihan, that the Allen Park Board of Education adopt Board Policy – "Prohibition of Referral or Assistance" as presented effective October 1, 2019. Yeas: Klein, MacDonald, Miller, Moynihan, Sheppard, Warren Nays: None Absent: None Motion carried.
19-118	Purchase of Chromebooks Motion by MacDonald, supported by Sheppard, that the purchase of 500 chromebooks and licensing from CDW-G in the amount of \$96,475.00 be approved as presented. Yeas: Klein, MacDonald, Miller, Moynihan, Sheppard, Warren Nays: None Absent: None Motion carried.
19-119	Career-Technical Education Services Agreement – Taylor School District Motion by MacDonald, supported by Warren, that the Career-Technical Education Services Agreement between the Taylor Public Schools and Allen Park Public Schools be approved for the 2019-20 school year. Yeas: Klein, MacDonald, Miller, Moynihan, Sheppard, Warren Nays: None Absent: None Motion carried.
19-120	APMS Field Trips:
19-121	Social Studies Textbook Adoption United States History & Geography: Modern Times A History of the World Motion by Moynihan, supported by Warren, that the Allen Park Board of Education approve the recommendation by the Instructional Curriculum Council for the adoption and purchase of United States History & Geography: Modern Times (McGraw Hill) textbook, which includes 5 class sets and online access for the cohort, totaling \$34,306.92. Yeas: Klein, MacDonald, Miller, Moynihan, Sheppard, Warren

Nays: None Absent: None Motion carried. Consideration for the S

Consideration for the Sale of Horger/Lapham Property

Mr. Darga thanked Mr. Hill and Mr. McPartland for organizing the recent informative neighborhood meeting and also thanked Members MacDonald and Moynihan for attending the meeting.

The district had the Horger/Lapham Property re-appraised in August 2018 since the property had not been appraised since 2006. There had been a substantial decline in the value of vacant lots since 2006, per the appraiser, there are not many builders willing to do a project this size unless they are assured of making a profit. Total value was assessed at \$404,000.00.

In July 2019, Mr. Ken Lieber of Lieber Real Estate, listed the property for \$420,000.00. At this time, the district has received 3 offers to purchase:

- a. Offer for 3 lots list price \$35,000 offer in the amount of \$40,000
- b. Offer for complete parcel list price \$420,000 offer in the amount of \$390,000
- c. Offer for complete parcel list price \$420,000 offer in the amount of \$378,000

When making "offer b," prospective purchaser was made aware of "offer a," and indicated a willingness to purchase the balance of the property, adjusting the offer price accordingly.

The total parcel was platted for 36 lots in addition to a proposed "tot lot." Mr. Ken Leiber was in attendance to answer any questions in regard to the listing and/or the offers. Discussion ensued among board members; 3 motions were offered:

19-122

Motion by Warren, supported by MacDonald, that the Allen Park Board of Education accept Offer A for 3 parcels on the Horger/Lapham Property in the amount of \$40,000 as presented per the Contract to Purchase dated September 21, 2019.

Yeas: MacDonald, Miller, Moynihan, Warren

Nays: Sheppard Absent: None Abstain: Klein

Motion carried.

19-123

Motion by Warren, supported by Sheppard, that the Allen Park Board of Education counter Offer B to reflect the sale of 3 parcels from Offer A. Counter selling price at \$357,500 for balance of Horger/Lapham Property.

Yeas: MacDonald, Miller, Moynihan, Sheppard, Warren

Nays: Klein Absent: None

Motion carried.

19-124

Motion by MacDonald, supported by Sheppard, that the Allen Park Board of Education reject Offer C dated October 10, 2019.

Yeas: Klein, MacDonald, Miller, Moynihan, Sheppard, Warren

Nays: None Absent: None

Motion carried.

Superintendent's Report:

APHS Sports Hall of Fame

Mr. Darga announced the election of Mrs. Jackie Gaydos Goodrich, Class of 2003, to the APHS Sports Hall of Fame. Among her many accomplishments, Mrs. Goodrich became the 1st female Jaguar athlete to claim an individual State Championship! She went on to compete at the University of Michigan for 5 seasons and was granted a rare 6th season of eligibility, which she turned down to pursue her PhD in Toxicology.

Michigan Principals' Month

Please join us as we honor the hard work, dedication and service of APPS Principals and Assistant Principals during the month of October! The Governor has issued the proclamation that is included in today's board packet proclaiming October as Michigan Principal Recognition Month. These exemplary instructional leaders serve as educational visionaries, supportive advisors to staff, high quality and trusted figures for parents and community members, and a source of unrelenting

encouragement for our students. Our building administrators set the academic tone in their school buildings; they inspire, guide and support staff; and ensure that students are safe and focused on achievement. I sincerely appreciate, respect and value our Principals and Assistant Principals for their passion, enthusiasm, and love for our students and learning, and publicly wish to thank them for leading the way!

- Enrollment Student Count Day 3,843.65 students
- Upcoming Events:
 - Allen Park City Mayor Candidate Forum
 APHS Class of 2020 hosting Meet the Candidate Night in Honor of Mr. Loyd October 23 at 7:00 p.m. at the Center for the Arts
 - APPS PTA/PTSA Holiday Fever & Craft Show Proceeds go to student scholarships Saturday, November 2 at APHS from 9 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. Includes Mom2Mom Sale and Music Booster Pancake Breakfast
- Information regarding open seats on the AP Board of Education is on the district website. The deadline for letter of interest and qualifications is Wednesday, October 16, at 4:00 p.m. Please consider serving your school community!

Citizens' Comments:

- Mrs. Jane Loyd thanked the school community for the support, sympathy and thoughtfulness during this very difficult time.
- Mr. Dan Loyd (APHS Teacher) shared the following:

"I am not envious of the task you have before you. It is difficult to imagine many people that committed more of themselves to this district than Bob Loyd. And when my mom says that he made the position of School Board Member a job. I know that he committed so much passion and energy to this position because he had a deep devotion to the tenets of democracy. He believed through the machinations of government he could help to make this a better community for his grandchildren to learn in, and for his son to teach in. But he didn't do it just for me, or for my nieces and nephews.

He did it because he believed that a democracy allowed for every stakeholder to have a seat at the table. That those individuals elected to office had a sacred responsibility to speak for every individual that they represent. Because of this, my father worked relentless during his tenure on this board to understand the perspective of every member of the educational community: teachers, secretaries, custodians, food services, students, everyone.

He worked to understand the challenges they faced, the things they needed to be fulfilled by their work and their education. And he did this for every decision he made on this board.

My father believed citizens could come together and work for the common good of all of these stakeholders. Although my father may have disagreed with some individual around this table. And I know he did. I still teach with my dad's powerpoints in my AP U.S. History class. Today I showed a slide he had entered from Thomas Jefferson's first inaugural address, and in the speech he had bolded and highlighted the words "a difference of opinion is not a difference of principle."

He always believed in each and everyone of you to act in the best interests of our educational community.

I know it is impossible to replace Bob Loyd, but I trust the members of this board to fill his seat with someone who will work to uphold my father's sacred commitment to democracy. That will strive to make EVERY voice in this community heard."

Reports of Officers:

- Mr. Klein shared that he will miss Mr. Loyd, his "seat mate" and commented that board members receive very large board packets for review, and appreciated that Mr. Loyd thoroughly read his materials. Mr. Klein went on to thank the Rotary Club of Allen Park, the 1st graders and their families, and teachers for attending this evening's meeting the gift of reading is immeasurable.
- Dr. Warren thanked everyone for coming, commending those who spoke in regard to the Lapham Property and thanked Mayor Matakas for sharing park updates. Dr. Warren thanked the Rotary Club and is ready to read about unicorns to the next class she visits! In closing, Dr. Warren shared her deepest sympathy to the Loyd Family and that it will be impossible to replace Bob Loyd; he is irreplaceable.
- Mrs. Sheppard shared her condolences with the Loyd Family and said that this was a meeting where the board moved forward and Bob would have been so pleased.

Mrs. MacDonald said that she would receive calls from Bob Loyd on 'school board meeting Mondays' – hashing out topics – "he made us all think." Mrs. MacDonald thanked everyone for coming, input and insight from others is always appreciated.
 Mr. Moynihan shared that Mr. Loyd was also good friend to the Bulldogs organization and that they had a mutual respect for each other's opinions. Mr. Moynihan felt this was a very productive meeting and appreciated the sharing of information and opinions.
 Mr. Miller shared a 'Bob story' – Mr. Loyd retired from teaching, and then chaperoned on the Advanced Placement US History trip to Boston, showing true commitment to the students of Allen Park and a passion for teaching and learning. In closing, Mr. Miller thanked Mayor Matakas for sharing good information this evening.
 Motion by Warren, supported by MacDonald to adjourn at 8:34 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Julia Sheppard, Secretary