

# ALLEN PARK PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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## ALLEN PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES • March 9, 2026

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The regular meeting of the Allen Park Board of Education was held on Monday, March 9, 2026 at the Riley Education Center in the Gym/Cafeteria, 9601 Vine, Allen Park, MI 48101

The regular meeting called to order/Instruction for Public Comment by President Warren at 7:02 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

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

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|          | <i>Additions or Deletions to the Agenda</i><br>There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 2026-024 | The consent agenda items as presented were approved with unanimous consent. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• March 9, 2026 Agenda</li><li>• February 9 work session minutes</li><li>• February 9 regular minutes</li><li>• Check registers: 2/9/2026=\$1,057,015.74; 2/19/2026=\$94,566.28; 2/25/2026=\$512,830.78</li><li>• Wire transfers through February 28, 2026=\$2,157,886.19</li></ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
|          | <i>President's Communications:</i> President Warren shared the monthly update from Barton Malow which included recent and in progress work at the middle school pool, elementary lighting replacement and operations building along with the future construction schedule.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|          | <i>Reading of Communications:</i> There were none at this time.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|          | <i>"In the Spotlight" – Student Representatives</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Allen Park Middle School – Brayden Warren shared updates regarding student council, NJHS, clubs, sports and activities.</li><li>• Allen Park High School – Alyssa McCaffrey shared updates regarding Homecoming, class fundraisers and events, NHS and various clubs.</li></ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|          | <i>Citizen's Comments (Agenda Items)</i><br>There were no citizen's comments at this time.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|          | <i>Special Presentation:</i> School Social Workers: Unite to Ignite<br>Kendra Payette-Linn gave a presentation to the board on behalf of Social Worker Appreciation Month.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 2026-025 | <i>Personnel:</i><br><i>Employments/Services</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Robert Bailey – Varsity Asst. Girls' Basketball Coach/APHS – Effective 2/24/2026</li><li>• Laura Beals – Unified Sports Spring Assistant Coach/APHS – Effective 2/24/2026</li><li>• Erica Carr – Food Service Floater/APHS – Effective 3/3/2026</li><li>• Elizabeth Ecie – Food Service Worker/Arno – Effective 2/24/2026</li><li>• Frank Goodwin – Volunteer Assistant Softball Coach/APMS – Effective 2/9/2026</li><li>• Michelle Thompkins – Substitute Social Worker/APHS – Effective 3/2/2026</li><li>• Nicole Tucci – Unified Sports Spring Head Coach/APHS – Effective 2/24/2026</li></ul> Moved by Trustee MacDonald and supported by Trustee Babbage that the recommendations for employment and services be approved by the Board for the individuals as listed.<br>Yeas: Babbage, Filipiak, Klein, Luecke, MacDonald, Martin, Warren<br>Nays: None<br><b><u>MOTION CARRIED.</u></b> |

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|          | <p>Resignations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Charles Bass – Bus Driver/Maintenance &amp; Transportation – Effective 2/10/2026</li> <li>• Wedad Budop – Unified Sports Spring Assistant Coach/APHS – Effective 3/1/2026</li> <li>• Terry Grafford – Food Service Worker/APHS – Effective 2/10/2026</li> <li>• Jacob Pilkington – Paraprofessional/APMS – Effective 2/28/2026</li> <li>• John Swayze – Custodian/APHS – Effective 2/24/2026</li> <li>• Michael Thomson – Bowling Coach/APHS – Effective 2/6/2026</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 2026-026 | <p><i>Limited Schools of Choice Option for the 2026-2027 School Year</i></p> <p>Moved by Trustee MacDonald and supported by Trustee Klein that the Allen Park Board of Education, exercising the option permitted by Section 105 of the School Aid Act of 1979, as amended by Public Act 300 of 1996, will accept applications of non-resident students in Kindergarten through 8th Grade from outside the District, who reside within the Wayne County Intermediate School District, for limited open enrollment in Allen Park Public Schools for the 2026-27 school year, in compliance with the statutory requirements of Section 105.</p> <p>Yeas: Babbage, Filipiak, Klein, Luecke, MacDonald, Martin, Warren<br/>Nays: None</p> <p><b><u>MOTION CARRIED</u></b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 2026-027 | <p><i>APMS Credit Based Promotion</i></p> <p>Moved by Treasurer Martin and supported by Trustee Klein that the Allen Park Board of Education approve the Allen Park Middle School Credit Based Promotion proposal as presented.</p> <p>Yeas: Babbage, Filipiak, Klein, Luecke, MacDonald, Martin, Warren<br/>Nays: None</p> <p><b><u>MOTION CARRIED</u></b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 2026-028 | <p><i>High School Cafeteria Equipment Purchase</i></p> <p>Moved by Trustee Klein and supported by Trustee MacDonald that the Allen Park Board of Education approve the high school cafeteria equipment purchase in the amount of Two Hundred Forty-Eight Thousand, One Hundred Eighty-Four Dollars and Ninety cents (\$248,184.90) using the food service fund balance as proposed.</p> <p>Yeas: Babbage, Filipiak, Klein, Luecke, MacDonald, Martin, Warren<br/>Nays: None</p> <p><b><u>MOTION CARRIED</u></b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 2026-029 | <p><i>Network License Renewal</i></p> <p>Moved by Vice President Filipiak and supported by Trustee MacDonald that the Allen Park Board of Education approve the renewal of the district's network equipment support and licensing for a total cost to the district of approximately Ten Thousand Four Hundred Dollars (\$10,400) after the E-rate reimbursement.</p> <p>Yeas: Babbage, Filipiak, Klein, Luecke, MacDonald, Martin, Warren<br/>Nays: None</p> <p><b><u>MOTION CARRIED</u></b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
|          | <p><i>Citizen's Comments (Non-Agenda Items)</i> – There were none at this time.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|          | <p><i>Superintendent's Report</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shout out to Ms. Jensen and Ms. Woods who partnered with Wayne RESA to present at the Maker-STEM Summit hosted at The Henry Ford Museum. Opportunities like this don't happen by chance – they are earned through innovation, expertise and a relentless commitment to students.</li> <li>• Congratulations to Tori Aicher, the Michigan Association for Computer Users in Learning (MACUL) featured Torrie in their Member Spotlight.</li> <li>• Congratulations to Mr. James Victor on being named the MIAAAA Region 12 Athletic Director of the Year!</li> <li>• Coach Loyd was named Michigan Wrestling Association's Regional Wrestling Girls' Coach of the Year, Great Job Coach Loyd.</li> <li>• March 6<sup>th</sup> was Maintenance Workers Appreciation Day and we are celebrating our dedicated individuals who work behind the scenes to keep our schools clean, safe and running smoothly.</li> <li>• Congratulations to Mrs. Erica Saville who was voted Michigan School Social Worker of the Year. Thanks to Erica and all the district social workers during School Social Worker week and every day for all you do!</li> </ul> |

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|  | <p><b>Upcoming Dates:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Join me for Coffee and Conversation with Mike Darga on Thursday March 18<sup>th</sup> at Qazzaz Coffee at 9:30 a.m.</li><li>• The High School Drama Club will be performing again this weekend, tickets are on sale now.</li><li>• PTSA's Spring Fever is this Saturday from 9-3 at the high school.</li><li>• The Middle School play is Wednesday, March 18<sup>th</sup></li><li>• Preschool Open House for the 26/27 school year is on 3/19</li><li>• Spring break begins on Monday March 30<sup>th</sup> and classes resume on Tuesday, April 7<sup>th</sup>. I hope every has a safe and relaxing break.</li></ul> |
|  | <p><i>Reports of Officers</i></p> <p>Trustee Klein thanked the Social Workers for all of the work they do and for the gifts.</p> <p>President Warren congratulated the Cheer Team on 1<sup>st</sup> place. Congratulated our amazing girl wrestlers and gave a huge thank you to our Social Workers.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
|  | <p><i>Adjournment</i></p> <p>The meeting was adjourned by President Warren at 7:30 p.m.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |

Respectfully Submitted,

  
Laura M. Luecke, Board Secretary