

# ALLEN PARK PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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## ALLEN PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES • NOVEMBER 13, 2017 ALLEN PARK HIGH SCHOOL

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APPROVED

The regular meeting of the Allen Park Board of Education was held on Monday, November 13, 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, Miller, Moynihan

Absent: Marten, Sheppard

17-137	<p>Motion by Moynihan, supported by Hall, that the consent agenda items be approved as presented:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>Approval of November 13 agenda</li><li>Approval of October 9 meeting minutes and October 9 closed meeting minutes</li><li>Approval of registers: 10/13/2017=\$156,187.95, 10/18/2017=\$364,919.73, 10/26/2017=\$238,441.61, 11/2/2017=\$699.24, 11/9/2017=\$546,500.15</li><li>Approval of wire transfers: 10/6/2017 thru 11/9/2017=\$1,735,139.92</li></ol> <p>Yeas: DesJardins, Hall, Klenczar, Miller, Moynihan Nays: None Absent: Marten, Sheppard</p> <p>Motion carried.</p>
	<p>Board Member Sheppard arrived at 7:03 p.m.</p>
	<p>President's Communications: None at this time.</p>
	<p>Reading of Communications: None at this time.</p>
	<p>Citizen's Comments (<i>pertaining to agenda</i>): None at this time.</p>
	<p>"In the Spotlight" – Student Presentations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Nikki Hartley - APHS</li></ul> <p>Nikki shared student activity news that included student council fundraising events – a volleyball tournament, bowling fundraiser, trunk or treat event in which 300 kids participated, and a hot chocolate sale every Friday in November. Club news included APAW donating dog biscuits, Bowling Club is practicing, Christian Club organizing a rock painting fundraiser, Interact Club providing childcare during conferences, National Honor Society Induction of (40) new members and an upcoming PeaceKeepers training.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Jasmine Walker - APMS</li></ul> <p>Jasmine reported that Parent-Teacher Conferences will be held at APMS tomorrow, Fall NWEA testing is complete, a lock-in was held and 300 students participated, PeaceKeepers will be conducting a training in early December and the NJHS collaborated with Student Council in planning a fun-filled spirit week. Jasmine also shared that the basketball team had their first game last week and swimming and competitive cheer also started the winter season. Model UN is a new club at APMS and has 20 members so far.</p>
17-138	<p><i>Personnel:</i></p> <p>A. Employments/Services</p> <p>Motion by Klenczar, supported by Hall, 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>○ Antwanette Bills – Special Education Classroom Aide/Bennie – 10/27/2017</li><li>○ Derrick Eshelman – Volunteer Boys' Wrestling Asst. Coach/APHS – Effective 11/14/2017</li><li>○ Stephanie Hauck – Lunch Parapro/Arno – Effective 10/16/2017</li><li>○ Sarah Kaminski – Lunch Parapro/Bennie – Effective 11/17/2017</li><li>○ Natalie Knaggs – Lunch Parapro/Lindemann – Effective 9/11/2017</li><li>○ Chelsie Rae McKinney – Lunch Parapro/Lindemann – Effective 10/9/2017</li><li>○ Nicole McLaughlin – Lunch Parapro/Arno – Effective 10/23/2017</li><li>○ Haley Meadows – ECP Aide/Arno – Effective 10/23/2017</li><li>○ Chris Richards – Volunteer Freshman Girls' Basketball Asst. Coach/APHS – Effective 11/14/2017</li></ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Erica Sieg – Lunch Parapro/Lindemann – Effective 10/17/2017</li> <li>○ Robert Webb – Wrestling Asst. Coach/APHS – Effective 11/14/2017</li> </ul> <p>Yeas: DesJardins, Hall, Klenczar, Miller, Moynihan, Sheppard  Nays: None  Absent: Marten</p> <p>Motion carried.</p> <p><b>B. Resignations/Retirements</b>  The following resignation has been received and accepted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Nick Lusk – Teacher/APCS – Effective 11/3/2017</li> </ul>
	<p><i>Special Presentation: 2016-17 School District Audit Report</i>  Plante &amp; Moran PLLC: Paul Bryant, CPA – Nevra Kreger, CPA – Andrew Leong, CPA  Representatives from Plante &amp; Moran presented an overview of the 2016-17 school district audit - Governmental Funds Balance Sheet, which included refunding debt service (bonds), Capital Projects Fund (Enhancement Millage), and Non Major Governmental Funds (Cafeteria). Report indicated a Fund Balance of 3.4% - districts under a 5% fund balance for two consecutive years are monitored by the state. Complete report will be posted on the district website.</p>
17-139	<p><i>Career-Technical Education Services – Taylor School District Agreement</i>  Motion by Moynihan, supported by Hall, that the Career-Technical Education Services Agreement between the Taylor Public Schools and Allen Park Public Schools be approved for the 2017-18 school year.  Yeas: DesJardins, Hall, Klenczar, Miller, Moynihan, Sheppard  Nays: None  Absent: Marten</p> <p>Motion carried.</p>
17-140	<p><i>Summer Tax Resolution</i>  Motion by Hall, supported by Sheppard, that the Allen Park Board of Education adopt the Summer Tax Resolution for 2018 as presented.  Yeas: DesJardins, Hall, Klenczar, Miller, Moynihan, Sheppard  Nays: None  Absent: Marten</p> <p>Motion carried.</p>
17-141	<p><i>Michigan School Finance Research Collaborative</i>  Motion by Miller, supported by Hall, that the Allen Park Board of Education adopt the Resolution of Support for the School Finance Research Collaborative as presented.  Yeas: DesJardins, Hall, Klenczar, Miller, Moynihan, Sheppard  Nays: None  Absent: Marten</p> <p>Motion carried.</p>
17-142	<p>Motion by Moynihan, supported by Hall, that in recognition of the sacrifices made by our military veterans, the attached “Honoring Those Who Serve” resolution be adopted as presented.  Yeas: DesJardins, Hall, Klenczar, Miller, Moynihan, Sheppard  Nays: None  Absent: Marten</p> <p>Motion carried.</p>
	<p><i>Superintendent’s Report:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Enrollment – Student Count Day – Official/Certified Count: 3,830.83 FTE  Mr. Darga publicly thanked Kathy Andrews, Data Specialist, for her extraordinary efforts in an accurate and successful student count. Preparing the count is very complex and through Kathy’s hard work and dedication the district is in great shape.</li> <li>▪ Parent Teacher Conferences  Middle School Parent Teacher Conferences are this Tuesday and Wednesday and High School &amp; Community School Parent-Teacher-Student Conferences are Wednesday and Thursday evening. Parent Teacher Conferences for Lindemann have been re-scheduled to November 29 &amp; 30.</li> <li>▪ APHS Drama Club Fall Play – Becoming Juliet  Enjoy an evening out – the APHS Drama Club is presenting Becoming Juliet at the AP Center for the Arts November 17 thru 19 – evening performances and a matinee on Sunday! Discounted pre-sale tickets are on sale now in the HS office.</li> <li>▪ Giving Thanks... Mr. Darga shared his appreciation with Board members and staff and wished all a Thanksgiving surrounded by the love and warmth of friends and family.</li> </ul>

	<p><i>Citizens' Comments:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Tracy Hoffman led a moment of silence in memory of our dear friend and colleague, Georgiana Asteriou. Mr. Hoffman, teacher for 29 years, also shared his thoughts and concerns with the Board in regard to an elementary reading program, lack of subs, health insurance and step placement.</li> <li>▪ Koren Easlick, teacher for 17 years, expressed her concern for the 'over expenditures' presented by Plante &amp; Moran.</li> <li>▪ Mary McMaster, APHS teacher, conveyed her love for the district and students, as well as her concern for the current financial situation as reported through the audit process.</li> <li>▪ Bob Loyd, teacher for 25 years, appealed to the Board to consider moving enhancement millage funds into the general fund and also shared his feelings about being proactive in attracting new, quality teachers.</li> <li>▪ Jeanette MacDonald, APHS counselor, shared her thoughts for the district moving forward – developing a system of checks and balances for the Finance Department and suggested an RFP/bid for auditing services.</li> <li>▪ Barb Pushman, teacher for 25 years, asked when the district would be holding open (health) enrollment and raised concerns regarding the delay.</li> </ul>
	<p><i>Reports of Officers:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Mr. Miller acknowledged the good turnout for the evening meeting.</li> <li>▪ Mrs. Sheppard shared that her family has lived in the area for a very long time and teachers have always been a tremendous asset to the district.</li> <li>▪ Mr. Moynihan stated that he was glad to see so many teachers in the audience and that he hoped they would have faith in the Board to keep the district afloat.</li> <li>▪ Mr. Klenczar echoed comments made by colleagues and affirmed that the Board will do what is in the best interests of teachers and students, equally important.</li> <li>▪ Mr. DesJardins commented that the Board is still receiving answers to questions regarding the audit outcomes.</li> </ul>
17-143	Motion by DesJardins, supported by Marten, that the meeting be recessed at 7:59 p.m. for the purpose of strategy/negotiations in compliance with Section 8(c) of the Michigan Open Meetings Act.
17-144	Motion by Klenczar, supported by Moynihan, that the closed session be adjourned and return to the regular open meeting at 8:52 p.m.
17-145	Motion by Sheppard, supported by Moynihan, that the meeting adjourn at 8:52 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

  
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 Dr. Janine Hall, Secretary