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ALLEN PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES • JANUARY 27, 2014 ALLEN PARK HIGH SCHOOL

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APPROVED

The regular meeting of the Allen Park Board of Education was held on Monday, January 27, 2014, Allen Park High School, Large Group Instruction Room, 18401 Champaign, Allen Park.

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call/Present: Babbage, DesJardins, Miller, Sheppard

Absent: Klenczar, Marten, Moynihan

13-49	<p>Motion by Miller, supported by DesJardins, that the consent agenda items be approved as presented:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Approval of January 27 agenda b. Approval of January 13 meeting minutes c. Approval of registers: 1/16/2014=\$288,847.91, 1/23/2014=\$199,021.35 <p>Yeas: Babbage, DesJardins, Miller, Sheppard Nays: None Absent: Klenczar, Marten, Moynihan</p> <p>Motion carried.</p>
	Board Member, Marten, arrived at 7:02 p.m.
	President's Communications: None at this time.
	Reading of Communications: None at this time.
	Citizen's Comments (<i>pertaining to agenda</i>): None at this time.
	<p>Special Presentation – <i>School Board Recognition Month</i> <i>Elementary Jazz Band & Art Students, Ms. Penny Cook, Ms. Elisabeth Cunningham, Ms. Rachel Trapani</i></p> <p>Dr. Sturock began the program thanking Board Members for their dedication to public education and the countless hours they give freely to APPS. Dr. Sturock further stated that APPS School Board Members provide vision and leadership for student achievement, academic programs, district funding and school facilities. And, while the State of Michigan is facing many challenges, the key to a brighter future is a strong public education system. Dr. Sturock shared his appreciation to the Board Members for their work in focusing on a common goal – helping students achieve in school and life. He then introduced Ms. Penny Cook, Elementary Jazz Band Instructor and thanked Ms. Cook and her students for sharing their talents and participating in the evening's special program.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Ms. Cook shared that the Elementary Jazz Band is comprised of students from all 3 elementary schools and that the students meet once per week. Ms. Cook shared appreciation with the Board for their efforts in supporting students and education and announced the musical selections for the evening – "Night Train" and "What a Wonderful World." Ms. Cook also introduced colleagues, Mr. Kerry Carlini and Mr. Todd Creutz, and thanked them for accompanying the student musicians on guitar. ▪ Ms. Cunningham and Ms. Trapani shared their gratitude with Board Members for their support of the fine arts in APPS and presented a collaborative student art project entitled "Destiny." These six brilliant monochromatic panels of "Destiny" will be displayed at the Riley Education Center in honor of the Board of Education. A collection of student artwork was also on display and the budding student artists presented each Board Member with beautifully unique and creative pieces of pottery and notecards. ▪ Lastly, Dr. Sturock presented each Board Member with a certificate of recognition from MASB, resolution of appreciation from Wayne County RESA Board of Education, APHS Jag "Game on Cancer" t-shirt and complimentary t-shirt and pizza from the local Jet's Pizza.
	<p><i>"In the Spotlight" – Student Presentation</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Middle School Student Representative: Katie Gravlin, Lucy Shearer <p>Katie and Lucy shared activities and winter sports news from APMS including upcoming NWEA testing, February Dance, Ski Trip, Panthers on the Run, Green Team bottle drive, Broadcast Team mural and news from the Book Club. The students also mentioned that student council is planning a "Crush for a Crush" fundraiser for Valentine's Day – selling cans of Crush soda.</p>

13-50	<p>Personnel - <i>Employments/Services</i>: Motion by Miller, supported by DesJardins, that Joshua Hass be approved for employment as a Follow that Child Aide at APMS effective 1/28/2014. Yeas: Babbage, DesJardins, Marten, Miller, Sheppard Nays: None Absent: Klenczar, Moynihan Motion carried</p>
13-51	<p>Motion by DesJardins, supported by Marten, that the Board approve the resolution as presented so that the District qualifies for the \$52 per student "Best Practices Incentive Grant Funding." Yeas: Babbage, DesJardins, Marten, Miller, Sheppard Nays: None Absent: Klenczar, Moynihan Motion carried</p>
13-52	<p>Motion by Marten, supported by Sheppard, that the Board approve waiving rental fees as requested by the City of Allen Park for an anticipated full-day meeting on March 1, 2014. Yeas: Babbage, DesJardins, Marten, Miller, Sheppard Nays: None Absent: Klenczar, Moynihan Motion carried</p>
	<p>Superintendent's Reports:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Dr. Sturock shared the following employee resignations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jennifer Burgess – Latchkey Parapro/Lindemann – Effective 1/13/2014 Dave LaFace – 8th Grade Volleyball Coach/APMS – Effective 1/13/2014 Dr. Sturock thanked administrators and teachers involved in planning the outstanding events for students in honor of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. Dr. Sturock also commented that the performance at the APHS by the musical artist from New York was wonderful.
	<p>Citizens' Comments:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Jason Rozman and his 4th grade daughter, Emily, expressed their concern with altering the three day outdoor camp activity for spring 2015 and shared some highlights of the camp experience. An unidentified female addressed the Board and said she was an advocate of the camp experience. An unidentified male also addressed the Board stating that if the reason for altering the activity was due to funding, that he believed parents would be willing to help with fundraising. Lucy Shearer, 7th grade student, shared her concerns regarding aging textbooks at APMS. Mrs. Carla Stetz stated that she has a child attending camp this spring, but a younger child who will not be able to have this same (overnight) experience. Mrs. Stacey Dicks reiterated her concern for altering the 5th grade camp activity and read a letter to the Board from her 4th grade son, Aidan. Mrs. Mary Beth Shearer communicated that she recalls attending a beautiful Science Camp program as a child and that children need time away from television and video games. Mrs. Christina Grooms, mother of three 4th graders, suggested combining classes of students who are not attending camp in order to minimize sub teacher costs.
	<p>Reports of Officers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mrs. Sheppard expressed her thanks for the gift of music and art. She also stated that it is a joy to see what the kids are doing and learning in school. Mr. Miller extended appreciation to Lindemann administration and maintenance staff for the great job in keeping walkways and parking lot clear of snow and safe for students, staff and visitors. Mr. DesJardins thanked the Jazz Band, student artists and educators for the honor of their presence at this meeting. Mrs. Marten also thanked the students and educators for taking the time to come to the meeting and also mentioned that she thoroughly enjoyed the special presentation. Mrs. Babbage shared her appreciation to the students and teachers for sharing their musical and artistic talent. Mrs. Babbage also encouraged the students to follow their dream. She shared that her grown son started playing the trumpet in 5th grade and years later played in the U of M Marching Band which afforded him wonderful experiences and lasting memories.
13-53	<p>Motion by DesJardins, supported by Sheppard, that the meeting adjourn at 7:44 p.m.</p>

Respectfully Submitted,


Paul Klenczar, Secretary