

**Personal Health and Sexuality Education Advisory Board
Okemos Public Schools – Community Conference Room
Okemos, Michigan 48864
REGULAR MEETING OF NOVEMBER 5, 2019**

The regular meeting of the Personal Health and Sexuality Education Advisory Board was called to order by President Stephanie Fleming at 7:06 p.m.

Members Present: Michele Borgialli, Jill Dehlin, Stephanie Fleming, Jessica Hamel, Lindiwe Helm, Tami Hiser, Melanie Jacobs, Lilly Korupczynski, and Lisa Smith

Members Absent: Saisandesh Ballem, George Carter, Brett Meteyer, Terrie Malinak, Liz Miller, Heather Paris, and Assistant Principal Sara Roland

Administration: Assistant Principal Andrea Hallead, Assistant Principal Andre Ridley, and Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction Stacy Bailey.

MOVED by Tami Hiser, SUPPORTED by Melanie Jacobs, that the board approve the minutes of the regular meeting of April 30, 2019.

AYE: 12 NAY: 0 ABSENT: 7 **MOTION CARRIED**

Vice President Election: Member Melanie Jacobs has been nominated to fulfill the role of Vice President.

MOVED by Stephanie Fleming, SUPPORTED by Tami Hiser, that the board approve the nomination of Melanie Jacobs as Vice President.

AYE: 12 NAY: 0 ABSENT: 7 **MOTION CARRIED**

Jill Dehlin reported on behalf of the elementary buildings. Elementary schools will begin teaching reproductive health units in late spring 2020. Jill has created a timeline for the teachers and administrators to follow.

Jill Dehlin reported on behalf of Kinawa 5/6 School. Jill met with the Kinawa teachers regarding the reproductive health curriculum and rearranged the order of the lessons for 5th and 6th grade. Last school year, a lesson was approved on HIV, STIs and pregnancy prevention. Teachers at Kinawa are resistant to teaching a mixed gender class at this time. A letter has been sent to the parents of students at Kinawa and there was not much interest in a mixed gender class offering.

Jill Dehlin reported on behalf of Chippewa Middle School. Reproductive health lessons were taught in the spring of 2019. Possibly look at teaching lessons in February 2020 instead of late spring.

Jill Dehlin reported on behalf of Okemos High School. PE/Health teacher Debby Mitchell is on medical leave and will return in time to teach reproductive health. Jill will go into classes to help with the first lesson to review laws set forth by the State of Michigan regarding reproductive health lessons.

Jill Dehlin reported on behalf of Special Education. Jill will begin to look at special education lessons at Okemos High School. She will contact Director of Special Education Heather Pricco regarding meeting with the teachers.

Approval of Minutes

Election: VP

School Reports

429 people responded to the online parent survey. Jill Dehlin met with Wendy Sellers and discovered that we do not need to teach HIV/AIDS prevention in fourth grade as it can be taught beginning in fifth grade. Jessica Hamel will connect with Stacy Bailey and Jill Dehlin regarding the pornography education curriculum developed by Megan Moss.

Kindergarten – 5th grade is considered a building level so if we cover the HIV lesson in 5th grade, we would be in compliance with the law. Members asked if we should then move the HIV lesson out of 4th grade and into 5th grade. Members also asked if we should mandate the definition of sex be taught in 4th grade under the New Life Lesson.

MOVED by Tami Hiser, SUPPORTED by Andre Ridley, that we move the HIV lesson from 4th grade to 5th grade.

AYE: 12 NAY: 0 ABSENT: 7 **MOTION CARRIED**

MOVED by Melanie Jacobs, SUPPORTED by Lisa Smith, that we mandate the definition of sex be taught in 4th grade under the New Life Lesson.

AYE: 12 NAY: 0 ABSENT: 7 ABSTAINED: 1 Andrea Hallead
MOTION CARRIED

Michele Borgialli reported regarding the Sexual Health Handbook. The handbook has been updated. Jill Dehlin has a few more items to add and then it can be provided to the board at the next meeting for review.

Curriculum Fidelity. No report at this time.

Jill will create a Google Doc for discussion regarding the SMART Story: Kandace and then votes will be taken. This is the last year that Lori Bolin will be overseeing the SMART program and it has been proposed that the board looks to other resources in the future.

Adjourn at 8:23 pm

Old Business:
Parent Surveys

4th Grade HIV
Lesson

Sexual Health
Handbook

Curriculum
Fidelity

New Business:
SMART Story:
Kandace

Adjourn