

**Personal Health and Sexuality Education Advisory Board
Okemos Public Schools – via Zoom
Okemos, Michigan 48864
REGULAR MEETING OF MAY 4, 2021**

The regular meeting of the Personal Health and Sexuality Education Advisory Board was called to order by President Melanie Jacobs at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Sondos Al-Hachim, Pauline Ashton, George Carter, Jessica Hamel, Lindiwe Helm, Tami Hiser, Melanie Jacobs, Sheree Jungwirth, Lilly Korupczynski, Nicole McGuire, Brett Meteyer, Liz Miller, Denise Nelson, Stephanie Shafer and retired Reproductive Health Supervisor Jill Dehlin.

Members Absent: Saisandesh Ballem, Stephanie Fleming, Sue Hallman, Terrie Malinak, and Andre Ridley

Administration: Stacy Bailey, Andrea Hallead, and Sara Roland

MOVED by Tami Hiser, SUPPORTED by Jessica Hamel, that the board approve the minutes of the regular meeting of March 19, 2021.

AYE: 16 NAY: 0 ABSENT: 5 **MOTION CARRIED**

There is no report for elementary buildings.

There is no report for Kinawa 5/6 School.

There is no report for Chippewa Middle School.

Assistant Principal Andrea Hallead reported on behalf of Okemos High School. There is a new Director overseeing the SMART program, now called ASPIRE, that Okemos High School has utilized in years past. The new Director, Lhauren Singleton, will be invited to a future PHASE meeting to discuss future plans using the SMART program as part of our curriculum.

There is no report for Special Education.

The updated handbook has been shared with the board for review.
https://docs.google.com/document/d/11tFaGo6lo2LB9kEA0vOFVqd_GH-Jn-If3f4n0J0o6IM/edit?usp=sharing

The PHASE Advisory Board Application and process is posted on the Okemos Public Schools website. It is also being communicated to OPS families by each building. Applications for new membership will be accepted until May 14, 2021.

The District Parent Council will reconvene in the fall to review and recommend applicants for the PHASE Advisory Board to then be taken to the Board of Education for their approval.

Fourth grade PowerPoint presentations have been updated.

Lhauren Singleton of ASPIRE, has taken over as Director in January 2020 as the Director of ASPIRE. Lhauren is a former student and has also a guest speaker in Okemos High School Teachers Debby Mitchell and Paul Palmer's classes. The SMART Program (Sexually Mature Aware Responsible Teens), when it first came to be, helped to de-stigmatize conversations about sex, healthy relationships and boundaries. The program focused on personal character, characteristics of healthy relationships, offered tips on dating as a teen, group dating vs. dating alone and

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New Business: SMART/ASPIRE

establishing a friendship with your partners. It also covered topics such as “staying vertical”, “hands off, clothes on”, the line of progression with another person, how to break up with someone and avoiding drugs and alcohol. The program offered resources on how to handle or deal with sexual abuse and online predators. The organization uses “red flag scenarios”, where a situation is described to students and the student(s) explain why it’s a red flag and how to handle a red flag situation. The program also offers a brief review of contraception and STIs including the categories of STIs.

The PHASE Advisory Board should plan to meet again in either August or September 2021 or after the Okemos Board of Education approves all new members for the board.

The PHASE Advisory Board should plan to perform a review of 7th and 8th grade reproductive health curriculum during the 2021-22 school year.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:27 pm.

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Adjournment