

Sex Education Advisory Board Meeting

Board Meeting Room – East Lansing High School

November 16th, 2023, 6:30 PM

- 1) **Call to Order.** The meeting was called to order by Melissa Fore at 6:38 PM
- 2) **Membership Roll Call.** Members present: Melissa Fore, Chad O'Neil, Diane Tuinstra, Myah Valla, Heather Marlow, Kelly Maier, Anne Scott, Bridget Burns-King, Danny Hearit. Guest: None
- 3) **Approval/Modifications to the Previous Meeting Minutes**
 - a. A motion to approve the meetings with the proposed changes to fix a typo in Kelly's name was made by Heather Marlow and seconded by Chad O'Neil. Motion passed unanimously.

4) Approval/Additions to the Agenda

Add Green Dot to the new business section.

A motion to approve the agenda with the proposed changes was made by Diane Tuinstra and seconded by Chad O'Neil. Motion passed unanimously.

5) Overview of State Law – Updates to the Law

- a. The bottom paragraph of section "Prohibited Content or Actions" and the entire section "Complaint Process" have been removed.

6) Public Comment:

7) Presentations/Committee Reports

- a. **Sex Ed Director Report**
 - i. 4th Grade preview night had an engaging and good turnout
 1. When Puberty: The Wonder Years was approved last year by the board, new gender lessons were included and parents had many questions about this.
 2. Parents also asked for resources on pornography and other resources to use at home to help with their kid's sexual education.
 3. The ELPS web page for sex education resources is the gold standard for a lot of school districts, and we continue to direct parents there.
 4. EL Public Library could also be a good resource for parents.
 5. E-Blasts that are geared towards the different grade levels or schools could help parents with where different resources are.
 - ii. Working towards bringing sex education teachers up to speed and have the required training and understanding of the processes and laws for this year.
 - iii. 6th grade parent meeting coming up in two weeks, and High school is already underway.

8) Unfinished Business

a. Vote: Approval of 2023-2024 Goals

SEAB Goals (Proposed)—2023/2024:

- i. Curriculum
 1. Evaluate HS curriculum options including 3 R's (State of MI).
 2. Find, evaluate, and recommend a puberty video for use in 4th grade to replace the currently used videos.
 3. Find, evaluate, and recommend a video on healthy sexual decisions for use in the HS (Lesson 2) to replace video that was removed at 5/23 meeting.

4. Evaluate Green Dot: Culture of Respect curriculum and evaluate other programs and education around violent masculinity, gender norms/roles and consideration of future programming.
5. Evaluate a possible High School student sexual health needs assessment.
6. Evaluate introducing earlier health education classes in K-3.
- ii. Parent Resources
 1. Resources for parents and technology/pornography education (offer a speaker series for families- centered around Safe Technology Use, including “Teen sexual development and tech”)
- iii. Speakers
 1. Find a speaker on gender norms/LGBTQIA+ education for high school
 2. Inviting school-based wellness speaker/director and school-based health center personnel.

Motion for approval of 2023-2024 Goals above was made by Chad O'Neil and seconded by Bridget Burns-King. Motion passed unanimously.

b. Need a New Board Member

- i. A new board member has not yet been identified. We may email out for interest again.
- ii. We are looking for diversity of thought and open to underrepresented-group board members.

9) New Business

- a. Approval of “What is HIV” from Amaze for use in 7th grade HIV/STI education (currently approved for 8th grade)
 - i. Watched and discussed video, all participants approved.
 - ii. Approval of “What is HIV” from Amaze for use in 7th grade HIV/STI education was made by Diane Tuinstra and seconded by Danny Hearit.
- b. Identify Subcommittees and Members
 - i. Sexual violence (Green Dot and violent masculinity).
 1. Melisa Fore and Chad Oniel
 - ii. Student surveys and outreach.
 1. Myah Valla and Kelly Maier
 - iii. Videos for 4th grade and High school.
 1. Bridget Burns-King, Anne Scott, and Danny Hearit
 - iv. Speakers.
 1. Anne Scott, Danny Hearit, Kelly Maier
- v. Parent Resources.
 1. Megan Maas?
- c. Green Dot
 - i. Discussed different methods on how this training could be taught. Virtual, on-site, off-site.
 - ii. Expensive, might be able to partner with the health department in doing something similar or help fund this training.

10) Announcements

- a. Next meeting January 18, 2024

10) Adjournment

Motion to adjourn was made by Heather Marlow and seconded by Chad O'Neil. Meeting adjourned at 8:01 PM.