



# ENERGY ESSENTIALS TASK FORCE

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**ALLEN PARK PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
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**Introductory Meeting Minutes, May 28, 2009, 3:45 p.m., High School LGI**

**Attended by:** Guy Desjardins, Dr. John Sturock, Rob DeBoer, Robin Partrich, Devin Partrich, Carol Sizemore, Paulette Cumbo, Jeanette MacDonald, Karen Guobis, Tom Hoover, Cathy Anderson, Lee Anzicek, Debbie Lee, Mark Floros

**Interested but unable to attend:** Suzanne Speakman, Maureen Klein, Patsy Curnell, Marie Lacey, Sarah Riley, Paul Grix, Carrie Carpenter

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Energy Essentials program leader, Rob DeBoer opened the meeting by passing out an Energy IQ test for participants to take. Answers were discussed afterwards and many of the facts revealed by the test were very eye opening.

Rob then took us through a power point presentation outlining the program. Many ideas for possibilities to save energy here at APPS were offered by members of the group. These included:

- Better control of computers not in use
- Improved performance from classroom motion sensors
- Recycling efforts
- Controlling peak usage demands
- Looking at “plug loads” (items plugged into the wall that cause energy drains)
- Lighting control habits

It was mentioned that several staff members from Allen Park Public Schools attended an Energy Essentials meeting more than two years ago. A grant was also awarded to purchase curricular materials for use in the elementary schools to involve kids in the process. Teaching staff and others expressed enthusiasm for the possibilities of including the whole community in the sustainability efforts moving forward.

Near the end of the meeting members talked about whether to continue to meet over the summer. Several members indicated an interest in doing so and it was agreed that several small efforts could begin and gain momentum leading into the fall. Examples include:

- Custodial staff training in energy management
- Motion sensor adjustments
- HVAC scheduling enhancements
- Automated domestic hot water temperature controls

Lee Anzicek will work with Rob DeBoer and other staff over the summer to study opportunities and train maintenance staff. A first meeting of all members of the Task Force will be convened in September to develop policy and create action plans.

**For more information or questions regarding the Energy Essentials program, please contact Lee Anzicek at 313-827-2050 or [lee.anzicek@apps.k12.mi.us](mailto:lee.anzicek@apps.k12.mi.us).**



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