

**ARMADA AREA SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
February 18, 2020**

The Regular Board of Education meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Room of Armada Middle School located at 23550 Armada Center Road, Armada, MI 48005. The meeting was called to order by Board President, Scott Kline.

Board of Education Present: S. Kline, T. Seago-Fry, J. Tobey, M. Meerschaert, C. Murray, J. Ackerman, , Student Representative, Kayley Tolin

Absent: S. Nieman with notice

Administration Present: M. Musary, P. Jankowski, T. Schafer, M. Gillett

School Personnel Present: B. Husken, J. Bigelow

Guests Present: Student of the Month and Principal's award recipients and their family members.

20-17 Motion by C. Murray, supported by M. Meerschaert that the Board of Education approve the agenda as presented.

Voice Vote

Ayes: All

Nays: None

MOTION PASSED : 6-0

20-18 Motion by T. Seago-Fry, supported by J. Tobey, that the Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda as presented:

1. Approval of Minutes
 - a. January 21, 2020 (Regular/Organizational Meeting)
 - b. February 10, 2020 (Finance Committee Meeting)
 - c. February 10, 2020 (Curriculum Committee Meeting)
2. Monthly Bills Payable in the total amount of \$461,989.33
3. Personnel Report
 - New hire, Debra Raeb, Bus Driver, effective 2-18-2020
 - Spring coaches list

Voice Vote

Ayes: All

Nays: None

MOTION PASSED : 6-0

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20-19 Motion by J. Ackerman, supported by M. Meerschaert, that the Board of Education approve the resolution to amend the 2019/2020 General Fund Budget as presented.

Voice Vote

Ayes: All

Nays: None

MOTION PASSED : 6-0

20-20 Motion by C. Murray, supported by J. Tobey, that the Board of Education approve the following curriculum and courses as presented for the 2020/2021 school year.

Voice Vote

Ayes: All

Nays: None

MOTION PASSED : 6-0

20-21 Motion by J. Tobey, supported by M. Meerschaert, that the Board of Education approve waiving our first right of refusal on the sale of the property located at 13989 Hough Road, Allenton, MI.

Voice Vote

Ayes: All

Nays: None

MOTION PASSED : 6-0

20-22 President , Scott Kline, adjourned the meeting at 8:43 p.m. with the motion to adjourn from T. Seago-Fry and supported by J. Tobey.

Hearing of the Public:

- Kami Keding and Mike Mackenzie from the Athletic Boosters spoke about some things they would like to work on that would benefit all programs, academic and athletic. They would like to coordinate and communicate openly with other groups and the board to make improvements. They are looking into such things as a digital marque, digital score table, and making upgrades to the concession stands. Athletic Booster meetings are held every second Monday in room 42 of the high school. On March 9, 2020, the boosters will be touring the concession stands.

Communications:

- There were no communications to be made.

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Presentations:

- Superintendent Musary introduced Students of the Month from Armada High School and Middle School and the Krause Elementary students who were recipients of the Principal's award. They were each introduced and awarded with a certificate.

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Musary shared the following Armada School Updates:

ARMADA SCHOOL UPDATES

- At Krause elementary, several 2nd and 5th grade classrooms are getting flexible seating options thanks to our parent group (TCB). On Feb. 12th, parents attended Title 1 Parent Literacy Night where aides, teachers, and administrators walked parents through strategies that can be employed at home to help students improve their language arts skills. AHS NHS students provided free childcare during the event.
- The M.S. choir students participated in the MS MSBOA Solo & Ensemble and nine students received Division 1 ratings (highest rating possible).
- The H.S. choir students participated in 22 events at the MSBOA District XVI Solo & Ensemble Festival and earned 16 Division 1 ratings which qualifies them for the State Festival. Also, sophomore Gianna Annoni and senior Audrey Wood were honored as our CTE Students of the Year. Also, 350 students from Macomb County participate in the Michigan Math Prize Test and two of our students were in the top 10 – senior Braeden Germundson was 6th and junior Brennan McClelland was 8th.
- At MA2S, the Fighting Pi are gearing up for their first competition at Macomb Community College on February 27-29, 2020.
- In H.S. varsity athletics, the MHSAA playoffs are underway. Eight members of the varsity wrestling team placed in the top 4 at the District competition and qualified for the MHSAA Division 3 Individual Wrestling Regionals.

ARMADA MIDDLE SCHOOL UPDATE:

Armada Middle School Principal, Todd Schafer, provided an update on the Middle School:

- M-Step/PSAT preparation and results - Create a positive atmosphere and reward program
- Michigan School Index System - Armada Middle School received an Index Score of 76.71 and ranked 6th out of 52 eligible middle schools in the country

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- Curriculum and Initiatives - Using competency based education, standards based grading, student management systems, rubric development, and student feedback
- Student Council - Box tops for Education, Halloween activity day and parade, holiday cards for military, canned food drive, staff and student games, “Pennies for Patients” drive, and spirit weeks
- National Junior Honor Society - Inducted 25 new members for a total of forty-eight 7th and 8th grade students
- Robotics: Armada Pi-Gears Team 14706 - Composed of twelve 6th -8th graders, Compass award winner at State, Championship for mentor/coach of the year
- Counseling and Student Supports - Anti-bullying, Student of the Month Program, daily birthday announcements, Educational Development Plans such as Xello, 504 plans, GPA presentation, high school curriculum presentation, mentor program
- Maker Space Planning and Development - Enables classes to incorporate CTE projects into their lessons
- Course Offerings, Clubs and Camps - Medical Careers Exploration, Introduction to Renewable Energy, Introduction to Culinary Arts, STEM, DMAT, PI-Gears First Robotics Team, HOSA, Camp Scrubs
- Points of Pride - NWEA scores are up across the board, Academic Success Program, Middle School teacher of the year is Michelle Genereaux.

Curriculum Update: Assistant Superintendent of Instruction and Curriculum, Mr. Phil Jankowski, provided an update of the following:

- New District and School Improvement Process
- Marshall Plan Update
- MI Stem Works Grant
- 31A (At Risk) Revised Guidelines
- Opening Days for PD pending State SCECH Approval
- Textbook Pilot - Elementary Science - plan to pilot this year and possibly purchase and adopt in June

Board Reports

Kayley Tolin, Student Representative :

Recent Events:

- Today was the first day of kindness week and student council made positive clothes pins and have been pinning them to people every day of the week.
- Snowcoming is next week. The theme is “Glowing out of this World”.
- The drama department is almost ready for their winter play, *Game of Tiaras*.

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Old Business:

None

New Business:

T. Seago-Fry is interested in working with the athletic boosters. Mr. Musary said he will be scheduling a Building and Site Committee meeting soon where they can have a discussion. Tami wanted the Athletic Boosters to know that she is happy with their ideas and the fact that they want to work and cooperate with everyone.

Points of Pride:

J. Tobey:

- Kate Felcyn and her idea to use the plastic grocery bags to make mats for the homeless

C. Murray:

- The Robotics team - The students were awesome and articulate and clearly love what they are doing. They seemed mature and represent our school well.

M. Meerschaert:

- Impressed with the community involvement from the robotics to National Junior Honor Society to the family holiday support

J. Ackerman

- The Middle School is "rockin it". He is impressed and thinks they are all doing a great job.

T. Seago-Fry

- Impressed with the Middle School in general and enjoys how well the board members work together, where the kids are the center

P. Jankowski:

- Proud of the maker spaces, the counselors, Xello, and the teachers of the year

S. Kline

- Proud of Justin Bigelow for the extra time outside of school that he sets aside to work with the robotics team

M. Musary:

- Proud of the teachers of the year. Mr. Schafer's presentation announced this evening that Michelle Genereaux is the Middle School teacher of the year, and the names of the other two teachers will be provided soon.

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Kayley Tolin, Student Representative:

- Mr. Moore's advisory students have been doing volunteer work and on this past Valentine's day, they went to the elementary school to read books and create crafts with the younger kids.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Judy Tobey".

Judy Tobey, Secretary
Armada Board of Education