

**ARMADA AREA SCHOOLS  
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
May 19, 2020**

The Regular Board of Education meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Virtually through Google Hangouts. The meeting was called to order by Board President, Scott Kline.

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

Absent: None

Administration Present: M. Musary, P. Jankowski

Guests Present: E. Cooper - remotely

20-27 Motion by C. Murray, supported by M. Meerschaert that the Board of Education approve the agenda as amended with items 1 and 2 of the consent agenda removed for a separate vote.

**Roll Call**

Ayes: S. Kline, J. Tobey, M. Meerschaert, J. Ackerman, C. Murray, S. Nieman, T. Seago-Fry

Nays: None MOTION PASSED : 7-0

20-28 Motion by J. Ackerman, supported by M. Meerschaert, that the Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda as amended (monthly bills payable will be a separate item).

1. Approval of Minutes
  - a. April 21, 2020 (Regular Virtual Meeting)
2. Personnel Report
  - o Nothing to report

**Roll Call**

Ayes: S. Kline, J. Tobey, M. Meerschaert, J. Ackerman, C. Murray, S. Nieman, T. Seago-Fry

Nays: None MOTION PASSED : 7-0

20-29 Motion by J. Tobey, supported by T. Seago-Fry, that the Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda's monthly bills payable in the amount of \$368,845.60.

**Roll Call**

Ayes: S. Kline, J. Tobey, M. Meerschaert, J. Ackerman, S. Nieman, T. Seago-Fry

Abstain: C. Murray

Nays: None MOTION PASSED : 6-0

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20-30 Motion by T. Seago-Fry, supported by J. Ackerman, that the Board of Education approve the attached resolution regarding the Macomb Intermediate School District Budget.

**Roll Call:**

Ayes: S. Kline, J. Tobey, M. Meerschaert, J. Ackerman, C. Murray, S. Nieman, T. Seago-Fry

Nays: None

MOTION PASSED : 7-0

20-31 Motion by C. Murray, supported by S. Nieman, that the Board of Education approve the attached resolution regarding funding to preserve educational services for children.

**Roll Call:**

Ayes: S. Kline, J. Tobey, M. Meerschaert, J. Ackerman, C. Murray, S. Nieman, T. Seago-Fry

Nays: None

MOTION PASSED : 7-0

20-32 President , Scott Kline, adjourned the meeting at 7:50 p.m. with the motion to adjourn from J. Tobey and supported by S. Nieman.

**Hearing of the Public:**

No public comments

**Communications:**

No communications

**Presentations: Superintendent's Report**

Superintendent Musary shared the following Armada School Updates:

**ARMADA SCHOOL UPDATES**

At the elementary, staff continues to hold Zoom meetings, interacting with students using Seesaw, writing letters to students, and even participating in some drive by birthday parties. The 4th grade teachers are moving forward with our Wax Museum in which students research a famous American and present to others with a short speech – this year it will be a virtual wax museum.

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At the M.S., scheduling requests are in for the 20/21 school year and they are working on several scenarios based on funding and social distancing. Karen Markey's 3D printer has been making PPE supplies.

At the H.S., scheduling requests are in for the 20/21 school year and they are also working on several scenarios based on funding and social distancing. Teachers have been sending home personalized letters with words of encouragement to all seniors. The top 20 seniors were recognized on social media. Josh Bobek was named Co-Vice President of MSBOA District XV. Staff and administration is making plans to deliver graduation supplies (i.e. cap & gowns) to the homes of seniors.

All four buildings are measuring classrooms and any available rooms to come up with a social distancing capacity. For example, most elementary classrooms are approximately 30' X 29' which means we could fit between 16 -18 students with 6' of distance between students.

The district is tentatively planning a Sunday, July 19 AHS commencement ceremony on the football field – social distancing rules will dictate our options.

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

- Empower - new site being built for standards. Training for teachers will be held in June.
- Back to School Task Force held its first meeting on May 12, 2020. The next meeting will be held on May 26th where they will break into sub groups by topics.
- Fall Parent Survey Responses: A survey was sent out to parents and the results will continue to be monitored, however, so far, approximately 98.5 percent of those who have responded plan to send their children to school for face to face sessions in the fall.
- Summer office schedules will be revisited after May 28, 2020.
- Other issues of future discussion are: Tiger Days format, yearbook distribution, summer tutoring, Graduation ceremony concepts (tentatively scheduled for Sunday, July 19, 2020.)
- New computers are coming soon and teachers must have their computers cleaned off by June 10, 2020.

**Board Reports:**

- A Board workshop will be planned in June, a week before the budget hearing.
- It was discussed that both of our Student Representatives be asked to join the next meeting as their feedback has been missed.

**Old Business:**

No old business

**New Business:**

- The question of fall sports was raised, but there are no definite answers yet.

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**Points of Pride:**

**J. Tobey:**

- Proud of everyone involved in doing what they can to make graduation happen in some way for the seniors.

**M. Meerschaert:**

- Proud of the teachers who are individually reaching out to students to let them know they are there and care about their mental health as well as their physical health.

**S. Nieman:**

- Congratulations to Josh Bobek for being named Co-Vice President of MSBOA and to Karen Markey for making the PPE supplies.

**J. Ackerman**

- Proud of all of the students for doing the best they can. They are stepping into a new realm and he is proud of how they are handling it.

**T. Seago-Fry**

- Thankful to Mike and Phil for all that they are doing during this trying time.

**P. Jankowski:**

- Thankful to Debbie Szydloski and Nancy Couto for all they have been doing behind the scenes with computer and technical issues and keeping things up and running.

**C. Murray:**

- Proud of teachers, administrators and board members who are part of the "Back to School Task Force". They will have people agree and disagree along the way, but she is thankful they are taking on that responsibility.

**S. Kline:**

- Future point of pride is when a year from now, when things are going really great, he can be thanking Mike and Phil and everyone for how well they handled things during this crisis.

**M. Musary:**

- Proud of the staff, students, Board, and community for their support during COVID-19. Everyone wants to do their part. People care and that's what Armada is all about.

Judy Tobey, Secretary  
Armada Board of Education

