

**ARMADA AREA SCHOOLS  
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
January 16, 2024**

The Organizational/Regular Board of Education meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Armada High School Auditorium, 23655 Armada Center Road, Armada, MI 48005. The meeting was called to order by Superintendent, Michael G. Musary, acting as temporary chair until the election of the Board President. Terri Tomayko was appointed temporary secretary until the election of officers took place.

Board of Education Present: M. Meerschaert, S. Nieman, S. Wylin, S. Hill,  
S. Wolak, C. Murray

Board Members Absent: A. Blake

Administration Present: M. Musary, K. Skokna

24-01 Motion by M. Meerschaert, supported by S. Wolak, that the Board of Education approve the Agenda as presented.

**ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS**

24-02 Nomination by C. Murray to elect S. Wylin as President.

No other nominations were made.

Shawn Wylin was elected **President** (with a 6-0 vote) of the Armada Board of Education:

Ayes: All

Nays: None

Shawn Wylin assumed the meeting as Board President and continued the nominations for officers:

24-03 Nomination by M. Meerschaert to elect C. Murray as Vice President.

No other nominations were made.

Cheryl Murray was unanimously elected **Vice-President** of the Armada Board of Education.

24-04 Nomination by M. Meerschaert to elect S. Nieman as Treasurer.

No other nominations were made.

Susan Nieman was unanimously elected **Treasurer** of the Armada Board of Education.

24-05 Nomination by C. Murray to elect M. Meerschaert as Secretary.

No other nominations were made.

Michele Meerschaert was unanimously elected **Secretary** of the Armada Board of Education.

24-06 Motion by S. Wolak, supported by M. Meerschaert, that the Board of Education designate regular board meetings to be held on the third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. per the attached schedule. (Staff Report #1)

**Voice Vote:**

Ayes: M. Meerschaert, S. Wylin, S. Nieman, S. Hill, S. Wolak, C. Murray

Nays: None MOTION PASSED: 6-0

President, Shawn Wylin, asked the board members to contact her with their choices for committees and she will bring it to the next meeting.



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Convened to Closed Session at 8:27 p.m.  
Returned to Open Session at 8:50 p.m.

24-12 President, S. Wylin, adjourned the meeting at 8:51 p.m.

**Hearing of the Public:**

A community member spoke about Senate Bill No. 463 regarding FAFSA.

**Communications:** None

**Presentations**

**Student Awards**

Superintendent Musary introduced “Students of the Month” for January 2024, from Armada High School. He also recognized the elementary students for their Principal Awards for the months of November and December of 2023.

**School Board Recognition Month**

Mr. Musary recognized all of the board members with a certificate and a gift to thank them for their service.

**BOARD OF EDUCATION 2023**

<u>Board Member</u>	<u>Years of Service</u>	<u>Term Ends</u>
Susan Nieman	21	December 31, 2024 (Partial term 2024)
Michele Meerschaert	9	December 31, 2024
Andrew Blake	3	December 31, 2026
Shawn Wylin	2.5	December 31, 2028
Sherrie Hill	1	December 31, 2028
Stacey Wolak	1	December 31, 2028
Cheryl Murray	16	December 31, 2024 (Partial term 2026)

**Armada High School Report: Andy Kastl**

The Armada High School Principal, Andy Kastl, provided the board and the audience with a presentation about what makes Armada High School such a great place. The full presentation can be found on the website. The staff at Armada High School makes it a great place because they are all committed to one goal and that is: Doing what is best for our students! Mr. Kastl provided information about the courses and extracurricular opportunities, great test scores, the success and accomplishments in theater, choir, robotics, academics and athletics. The future of Armada High School will continue to thrive because of consistently looking for ways to improve through PLC and professional development, adding new classes and technical opportunities, challenging the student to be their best by taking AP and honors courses, and of course, continuing to build the Armada High School family culture.

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**Superintendent's Report:**

At Krause Elementary, they will be holding auditions on January 25th for their Armada's Got Talent show which will take place on the evening of February 8th at 6:00 pm.

At the M.S., 15 MS students will be actors in the HS spring play and 6 MS students will be part of the crew. The 7th and 8th grade girls basketball teams both went undefeated this season.

At the H.S, the HS spring play will be Charlie and the Chocolate Factory on April 19 - 21 and will include 17 HS actors and 11 HS crew members.

At MA2S, the Fighting Pi will begin preparing for their game called "CRESCENDO". The robots will be collecting musical notes with each team starting the game with a 15-second autonomous period where the robots run purely on code. Their competitions will be at Kettering University (March 7-9) and Troy Athens HS (March 22-24). The State Championship will be at SVSU (April 4-6) and the FIRST Championship will be in Houston, TX (April 17-20).

**Curriculum Update:** Assistant Superintendent of Instruction and Curriculum, Kelly Skokna, provided the following information:

- Schoology access for parents
- January Professional Development
  - PLCs, vertical alignment, and CKLA
- Requesting approval to move forward with CKLA, our elementary ELA curriculum
- Requesting approval for Ceramics and Foundational English for 2024-2025, change in 8th grade math enhancement to include CPM's "Inspiration and Ideas"

**Board Reports:** None

**Old Business:**

- Walking is allowed at the high school. Contact the school if interested

**New Business:**

- Macomb County School Board Association's next meeting is January 23, 2024 at Lake Shore
- MASB Winter Institute will take place virtually on February 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>

**Points of Pride:**

**M. Meerschaert:**

- Member Meerschaert is proud of the bowling teams and their performance this past weekend.

**C. Murray:**

- Member Murray is proud of the competitive cheer team and the members of the Quiz Bowl. They are all doing well.

**S. Nieman:**

- Member Nieman is pleased with the theater department and how it has evolved and now includes all grade levels.

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S. Wylin:

- Member Wylin enjoyed seeing the article about our test results in the Macomb Daily. It is great publicity for all of the amazing work done in the district.

S. Hill:

- Member Hill is proud of the cheer team and the choir that performed this evening.

S. Wolak:

- Member Wolak really enjoyed the performance of the high school chorale this evening.

K. Skokna:

- Mrs. Skokna is proud of the efforts being made to improve the FAFSA application process.

M. Musary:

- Mr. Musary is proud of Mr. Kastl, the students, and is impressed with the phenomenal test scores. He said the kids and staff worked hard to put us over the top.



Michele Meerschaert  
Secretary, Board of Education