

**ARMADA AREA SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
March 19, 2019**

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, J. Tobey, M. Meerschaert, C. Murray, J. Ackerman, S. Nieman, Student Representative, Taylor Chambers

Absent: T. Seago-Fry

Administration Present: M. Musary, T. Schafer

School Personnel Present: D. Ackerman, B. Husken

Guests Present: Student of the Month and Principal's award recipients and their family members, along with the Student-Athlete Excellence Award recipients and their families.

- 19-20 Vice President C. Murray requested a separate vote on the Monthly Bills Payable (Item 2) of the Consent Agenda Items due to a conflict of interest. Motion by C. Murray, supported by J. Tobey that the Board of Education approve the agenda as amended.

Voice Vote

Ayes: All

Nays: None MOTION PASSED : 6-0

- 19-21 Motion by J. Tobey, supported by M. Meerschaert, that the Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda as amended less the monthly bills payable:

1. Approval of Minutes
 - a. February 19, 2019 (Finance Committee Meeting Minutes)
 - b. February 19, 2019 (Special Meeting Minutes)
 - c. February 19, 2019 (Closed Session from Special Meeting)
 - d. February 19, 2019 (Regular Meeting Minutes)
 - e. March 4, 2019 (Building and Site Committee Meeting Minutes)
2. Personnel Report
 - New hire, Nicole Izworski, Childcare Aide Aide at Krause, effective 3-4-2019
 - Appointment of Cammy Taylor from Childcare Aide to Childcare Lead, effective 3-4-2019
 - Appointment of Spring Coaches

Voice Vote

Ayes: All

Nays: None MOTION PASSED : 6-0

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- 19-22 Motion by M. Meerschaert, supported by S. Nieman, that the Board of Education approve the the monthly bills payable for a total amount of \$474,988.90.

Voice Vote

Ayes: S. Kline, S. Nieman, J. Tobey, M. Meerschaert, J. Ackerman

Abstain: C. Murray

Nays: None

MOTION PASSED : 5-0

- 19-23 Motion by S. Nieman, supported by C. Murray, that the Board of Education approve the sinking fund projects for spring/summer 2019 as presented for the estimated total cost of \$351,491.00

Voice Vote

Ayes: All

Nays: None

MOTION PASSED : 6-0

- 19-24 Motion by J. Tobey, supported by J. Ackerman, that the Board of Education approve the curriculum courses with the modifications discussed in the committee meeting and included in the attached documentation.

Voice Vote

Ayes: All

Nays: None

MOTION PASSED : 6-0

- 19-25 Motion by C. Murray, supported by S. Nieman, that the Board of Education designate Tim Woelkers, Director of Student Safety at Armada Area Schools, as the District's liaison to the Office of School Safety and the School Safety Commission per Act 549. In addition, the Board of Education also designates Tim Woelkers as the emergency contact for receiving information related to the Attorney General's hotline as required by Public Act 670 and as stated in the attached resolution.

Voice Vote

Ayes: All

Nays: None

MOTION PASSED : 6-0

- 19-26 President , Scott Kline, adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m. with the motion to adjourn from J. Tobey and supported by M. Meerschaert.

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Hearing of the Public:

- No public comments were made.

Communications:

- There were no communications made.

Presentations:

1.) Superintendent Musary recognized Students of the Month from Krause Elementary School, Armada Middle School, and Armada High School. They were each introduced and awarded with a Certificate.

2.) Student-Athlete Excellence Awards were presented to seven (7) boys bowling team members and seven (7) girls bowling team members for qualifying for State Finals. Two Student-Athlete Excellence Awards were also presented to the BWAC wrestling champs.

3.) Middle School Principal Todd Schafer along with Teacher Dean Ackerman and Counselor Becky Husken provided a detailed Middle School Update covering the following areas:

- M-STEP Preparation and results
- Michigan School Index System
- Curriculum and Initiatives
- Student Council
- National Junior Honor Society
- Robotics: Armada Pi-Gears Team 14706
- Counseling and Student Supports
- Technology Update
- Points of Pride
- Looking Ahead to 2019-2020

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Musary shared the following Armada School Updates:

- At Krause elementary, March is reading month with the theme being "Camp Read A Lot". Students are enjoying extra reading fun with guest readers and teacher swaps all month.
- The Middle School Student Council held a student "Pajama Day" and raised over \$400 for the March of Dimes. The Middle School band and orchestra performed at the MSBOA District Band & Orchestra and both earned a Division 2 rating. The Middle School orchestra earned a Division 1 rating in sight reading.
- Armada High School was rated the #1 high school in Macomb County for the second consecutive year by the MDE school accountability index. Armada High School received an AP Computer Diversity Award for females in the program. Also, an Armada High School student scored in the top 2.5% on the PSAT/NMSQT exam among all Hispanic and Latino test takers in our region and will be invited to participate in the National Hispanic Recognition Program. In addition, the Armada High School play was successful and raised \$1,550 for the Holocaust Museum – the

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theatre department has raised \$11,529 the last three years since it started our "minute to give it" initiative.

- At MA2S, the Fighting Pi robotics team took 1st place at their District competition in Gibraltar as well as the Entrepreneurship Award. Also, one of our Fighting Pi team members won the Dean's List Award and will compete at the State competition for an individual title.
- Thanks to our safety grant, we have ordered 7 additional card readers for exterior doors at the elementary (3), middle school (2), and high school (2).
- Legislation is moving in Lansing to allow two additional snow days, but nothing official yet. At this time we have to make up one day which will most likely be at the end of the school year moving the last school day to Friday, June 14th. We are not making an official announcement until Lansing makes a decision.

Curriculum Update: Assistant Superintendent of Instruction and Curriculum, Mr. Phil Jankowski, was not in attendance but provided an update which included the following:

- Marshall Plan - Timeline
- State Report Card Ranking
- WIDA Testing is complete for 2019
- Summit Learning Platform
- Strategic Planning held on March 11th
- CBE Training held on March 2, 2019
- Accountability Rankings
- NWEA Data

MISD Budget Oversight Committee Representative Appointment

President, Scott Kline, agreed to be the Board's appointed alternate representative for the MISD Budget Oversight Committee. The meeting is to be held at the Macomb Intermediate School District at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 28, 2019.

Board Reports

Taylor Chambers, Student Representative :

- Business Professionals of America (BPA) states competition was this previous weekend. Although they did not have anyone that advanced to nationals, they did have several students place in the top 10
- Health Occupations Students of America (HOSA) students are leaving tomorrow after school for the states competition and many students have worked very hard in hopes that they will place in the top 3 to advance to nationals.
- Winter sports this year have come to an end and the spring sports began tryouts last week. This week is the first week of practice and they are all excited to see how their seasons turn out.
- The theatre program put on a performance that was very emotional about the Holocaust. Students from both the middle and high school had the opportunity to view the play during school hours.

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- The Fighting Pi won their district competition and earned an entrepreneurship award.
- Two individuals on the wrestling team advanced to the state competition. One individual placed 5th while the other placed 3rd in their weight class.
- The boys bowling team placed in the top 4 at the state finals.
- The band earned 11 Division I rankings and 3 Division II rankings at the State Solo and Ensemble Festival
- As AP exams and SATs are approaching, the AP teachers have been busy preparing the students and an affordable SAT prep class is being offered at the high school

Old Business:

None reported

New Business:

- Member J. Ackerman made the suggestion that Mr. Tim Woelkers, our Director of Student Safety, have access to a golf cart so that he may travel between buildings faster when there is an emergency. Mr. Musary will look into providing him availability to the existing golf cart used for athletics.
- Member C. Murray said that a parent approached her at a robotics function at the Academy and asked if they could get another trophy case for the Academy building. Mr. Musary said that he would make that happen.

Points of Pride:

J. Tobey:

- Happy to hear that the Fighting Pi Robotics team did well in competition.

C. Murray:

- Proud of Mr. Schafer and his staff on their presentation and their focus on the culture of the building to motivate the students, especially during M-STEP testing.

M. Meerschaert:

- Proud of Josh Bobeck for the solo and ensemble and its success.
- It is heartwarming to see the culture of caring in the schools and outside of school in the community.

J. Ackerman:

- Happy to hear that Armada High School was rated the #1 high school in Macomb County for the second consecutive year by the MDE.

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S. Nieman:

- She liked the robotics demonstration and was impressed with the level of respect the students had for each other.

S. Kline:

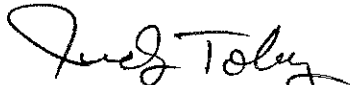
- Proud of the attitude of the Middle School students and how they handle the testing process.

M. Musary:

- Proud of the student athletes and their academic and athletic success.

Taylor Chambers, Student Representative:

- Impressed by the theatre department for putting on such an emotional play, *I Never Saw Another Butterfly*. She enjoyed the fact that they raised a lot of money and that the students were allowed to come and watch the performance during the school day.


Judy Tobey, Secretary
Armada Board of Education