

**ARMADA AREA SCHOOLS  
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
July 20, 2021**

The Regular Board of Education meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 20, 2021. The meeting was held in-person in the Macomb Academy of Arts & Sciences Gallery, 23211 Prospect St. Armada, MI 48005. The meeting was called to order by Board Vice-President, Cheryl Murray.

Board of Education Present: E. Cooper, S. Nieman, C. Murray, M. Meerschaert

Board of Education Absent: S. Kline and A. Blake/w notice

Administration Present: M. Musary, K. Skokna

School Personnel Present:

- 21-71 Motion by S. Nieman, supported by C. Murray that the Board of Education approve the Agenda as amended. (note: The approval of the Closed Session minutes of 6-15-2021 had been omitted from the original agenda.)

Voice Vote:

Ayes: E. Cooper, S. Nieman, C. Murray, M. Meerschaert

Nays: None

MOTION PASSED: 4-0

- 21-72 Motion by M. Meerschaert, supported by E. Cooper, that the Board of Education approve the consent agenda as amended.

**1. Approval of Minutes**

- a. June 15, 2021 Board Workshop Minutes
- b. June 15, 2021 Budget Hearing Minutes
- c. June 15, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes
- d. June 15, 2021 Closed Session Meeting Minutes

**2. Monthly bills payable in the amount of \$314,100.89**

**3. Personnel Report**

Voice Vote:

Ayes: E. Cooper, S. Nieman, C. Murray, M. Meerschaert

Nays: None

MOTION PASSED: 4-0

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21-73 Motion by S. Nieman, supported by M. Meerschaert, that the Board of Education approve the attached appointments/designations for the 2021/2022 school year. (Staff Report #1)

Voice Vote:

Ayes: S. Nieman, C. Murray, M. Meerschaert, E. Cooper

Nays: None

MOTION PASSED: 4-0

21-74 Motion by E. Cooper, supported by S. Nieman, that the Board of Education approve the recommended Administrative/Business Office salary schedule for the 2021/2022 school year. (Staff Report #2)

Voice Vote:

Ayes: S. Nieman, C. Murray, M. Meerschaert, E. Cooper

Nays: None

MOTION PASSED: 4-0

21-75 Motion by M. Meerschaert, supported by E. Cooper, that the Board of Education approve the contracts for Armada's administrative staff as presented with salary and benefits through the 2022-2023 school year. (Staff Report #3)

Voice Vote:

Ayes: E. Cooper, S. Nieman, C. Murray, M. Meerschaert

Nays: None

MOTION PASSED: 4-0

21-76 Motion by C. Murray, supported by M. Meerschaert, that the Board of Education approve the Appointment of Shawn Wylín to fill the Board of Education vacancy until the next regular school election for which the vacant seat is qualified. (Staff Report #4)

Voice Vote:

**Ayes:** E. Cooper, S. Nieman, C. Murray, M. Meerschaert

Nays: None

MOTION PASSED : 4-0

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21-77 Vice-President, Cheryl Murray, adjourned the meeting at 7:24 p.m. with the motion to adjourn from M. Meerschaert and supported by S. Nieman.

**Hearing of the Public:** One member of the public spoke.

**Communications:**

None

**Superintendent's Report:**

- At Krause Elementary, 48 students are participating in summer school.
- At the M.S., 14 students are participating in summer school.
- At the H.S., 36 students are participating in summer school.
  - The above numbers are typical in a “regular” school year.

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

I. Secondary Schedule for 2021-22

A. Waiver was applied for; however, shouldn't be necessary

II. Course Text Approval for August

A. [Environmental Science for the AP Course, 3rd Edition](#)

III. School Improvement Goals

A. Math: 62% of students will meet their projected growth on the NWEA and M-STEP math assessments in 2022.

B. Reading: 56% of students will meet their projected growth on the NWEA and M-STEP reading assessments in 2022.

C. Building Relationships ([SEL](#)): 70% of stakeholders will report on the annual survey that teachers and students are respectful of each other and are treated fairly by 2022.

D. Systems: All teachers will use a standards-based grading system to report student progress and achievement to parents and students in a continuous and consistent manner by 2022.

IV. Supporting School Improvement Goals

A. Empower in-person training on August 25th

B. Dedicated time for revisiting and aligning grading practices, common assessments, and rubrics

C. NWEA and student SGP and [NWEA MAP Accelerator](#) for grades 3-8 in math

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**Board Reports:** None

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:** None

**Points of Pride:**

**E. Cooper:**

- Member E. Cooper said that all four of the board member candidates did an excellent job. He is proud of them for taking a “leap of faith” and applying for the position. They were all really good.

**S. Nieman:**

- Member S. Nieman said her point of pride is Mrs. Skokna for jumping in and providing her first curriculum report. She has big shoes to fill and she did well.

**C. Murray:**

- Member C. Murray is proud of the bowling coach, Mr. Randy Medley, who won Michigan’s Bowling Coach of the Year.

**M. Meerschaert:**

- Member M. Meerschaert is most proud of the teachers who show interest in the students even after they have graduated.

**K. Skokna:**

- Mrs. Skokna is grateful that amid all the staff changes, she has been supported and felt welcomed and part of the team. She is also proud of the students who are attending summer school and the teachers and staff members who are assisting them.

**M. Musary:**

- Superintendent Musary said that he is also very proud of the summer school students, teachers and staff. He is proud of the maintenance staff and coaches who work extra hard in the summer as well. This summer is feeling more normal and we want to continue that for the fall.



Michele Meerschaert  
Secretary, Board of Education