

**ARMADA AREA SCHOOLS**  
**BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**  
**June 15, 2021**



The Regular Board of Education meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 15, 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 President, Jordan Ackerman.

Board of Education Present: S. Kline, E. Cooper, J. Ackerman, S. Nieman, A. Blake, C. Murray, M. Meerschaert

Board of Education Absent:

Administration Present: M. Musary, P. Jankowski, K. Skokna

School Personnel Present:

21-59 Motion by S. Kline, supported by A. Blake that the Board of Education approve the Agenda as presented.

Voice Vote:

Ayes: J. Ackerman, A. Blake, E. Cooper, S. Kline, S. Nieman, C. Murray, M. Meerschaert

Nays: None

MOTION PASSED: 7-0

21-60 Motion by C. Murray and supported by M. Meerschaert, that the Board of Education agree to meet in Closed Session at the end of this meeting for the purpose of discussing negotiations. (Staff Report #1)

Roll Call:

Ayes: J. Ackerman, A. Blake, E. Cooper, S. Kline, S. Nieman, C. Murray, M. Meerschaert

Nays: None

MOTION PASSED: 7-0

21-61 Motion by M. Meerschaert, supported by A. Blake, that the Board of Education approve the consent agenda as presented.

1. Approval of Minutes

a. May 18, 2021 Workshop Minutes

b. May 18, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes

2. Monthly bills payable in the amount of \$534,727.04

3. Personnel Report

Voice Vote:

Ayes: J. Ackerman, A. Blake, E. Cooper, S. Kline, S. Nieman, C. Murray, M. Meerschaert

Nays: None

MOTION PASSED: 7-0

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21-62 Motion by A. Blake, supported by S. Kline, that the Board of Education accept that the attached list of names of Armada High School students having completed the requirements for graduation and received diplomas on May 26, 2021 (or thereafter), be placed in the Official Minutes of the Armada Board of Education. (Staff Report #2)

Voice Vote:

Ayes: J. Ackerman, A. Blake, E. Cooper, S. Kline, S. Nieman, C. Murray, M. Meerschaert

Nays: None

MOTION PASSED: 7-0

21-63 Motion by C. Murray, supported by S. Nieman, that the Board of Education approve the Michigan High School Athletic Association membership resolution (attached) for the year August 1, 2021 through July 31, 2022, and that it be signed by the Secretary of the Board. (Staff Report #3)

Voice Vote:

Ayes: J. Ackerman, A. Blake, E. Cooper, S. Kline, S. Nieman, C. Murray, M. Meerschaert

Nays: None

MOTION PASSED: 7-0

21-64 Motion by S. Kline, supported by A. Blake, that the Board of Education approve the resolutions amending the 2020-2021 budgets. (Staff Report #4)

Voice Vote:

Ayes: J. Ackerman, A. Blake, E. Cooper, S. Kline, S. Nieman, C. Murray, M. Meerschaert

Nays: None

MOTION PASSED: 7-0

21-65 Motion by E. Cooper, supported by S. Nieman, that the Board of Education approve the Attached Budget Resolutions for the 2021-2022 school year. (Staff Report #5)

Voice Vote:

Ayes: J. Ackerman, A. Blake, E. Cooper, S. Kline, S. Nieman, C. Murray, M. Meerschaert

Nays: None

MOTION PASSED: 7-0

21-66 Motion by A. Blake, supported by E. Cooper, that the Board of Education approve the Resolution authorizing the district to borrow against the 2021-2022 school year a sum not to exceed \$1,700,000 via a State Aid Note through the Michigan Finance Authority. (Staff Report #6)

Voice Vote:

Ayes: J. Ackerman, A. Blake, E. Cooper, S. Kline, S. Nieman, C. Murray, M. Meerschaert

Nays: None

MOTION PASSED: 7-0

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21-67 Motion by E. Cooper, supported by C. Murray, that the Board of Education approve the textbooks and new course as presented in the attached documentation. (Staff Report #7)

Voice Vote:

Ayes: J. Ackerman, A. Blake, E. Cooper, S. Kline, S. Nieman, C. Murray, M. Meerschaert

Nays: None

MOTION PASSED: 7-0

Meeting moved to Closed session at 8:03 p.m.

Returned to open session at 8:20 p.m.

21-68 Motion by C. Murray, supported by A. Blake, that the Board of Education ratify the agreement with the Armada Food Services Association, for a three-year contract beginning July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2024. (Staff Report #8)

Voice Vote:

Ayes: A. Blake, E. Cooper, C. Murray, S. Nieman, S. Kline, J. Ackerman, M. Meerschaert

Nays: None

MOTION PASSED: 7-0

21-69 Motion by M. Meerschaert, supported by E. Cooper, that the Board of Education approve the ratification of the agreement with Armada Transportation Association, for a three-year contract beginning July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2024. (Staff Report #9)

Voice Vote:

Ayes: A. Blake, E. Cooper, C. Murray, S. Nieman, S. Kline, J. Ackerman, M. Meerschaert

Nays: None

MOTION PASSED: 7-0

21-70 President, Jordan Ackerman, adjourned the meeting at 8:22 p.m. with the motion to adjourn from A. Blake and supported by C. Murray.

**Hearing of the Public:**

Two members of the public made comments.

**Communications:**

None

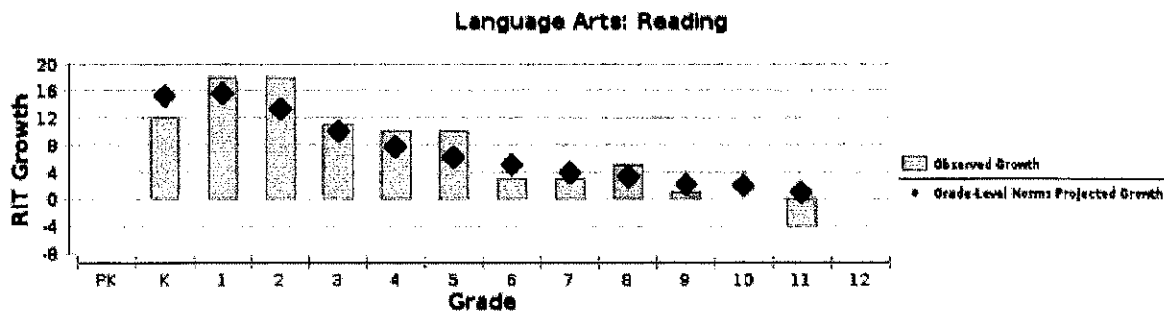
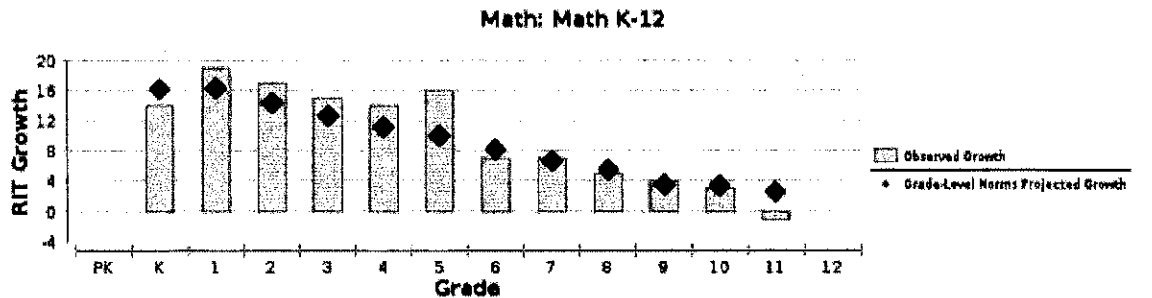
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**Curriculum Update:** Assistant Superintendent of Instruction and Curriculum, Mr. Phil Jankowski, provided an update of the following:

1. **COVID guidelines for 2021-22**
  - a. Three-foot quarantine zone in classroom only; otherwise six-foot
  - b. Summer school mask requirements - mask up until June 30
2. **Secondary Schedule for 2021-22**
  - a. Met with MDE and Auditor
    - i. Will calculate hours based on 5-O-D tomorrow for auditor review
    - ii. Should be able to get away without a waiver

3. **NWEA**

2020-21 Results



4. **SAT 2022**
  - a. April 13 - Move to Wednesday after Spring Break
5. **3rd Grade Reading Law**
  - a. Pending revision to make it for grades 3 & 4 next year - passed Senate committee
  - b. Currently - no Armada students are slated for retention - 10 for supports
  - c. State letters began going out May 26

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**Board Reports:** Member C. Murray voted for the MISD Candidate on June 7, 2021 and Theresa Genest was unanimously re-elected to the MISD Board of Education.

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:** President, Jordan Ackerman, announced that effective midnight, June 21, 2021, he will be stepping down from the Board of Education. In turn, Cheryl Murray nominated Scott Kline to become President with support from Andrew Blake. Scott Kline then nominated Cheryl Murray as Vice President with support from Andrew Blake.

**Points of Pride:**

**E. Cooper:**

- Member Ed Cooper thanked Phil and Jordan for their service and wished them well.

**J. Ackerman:**

- Member Jordan Ackerman is proud of Phil and all of his accomplishments. He thanked him for his data driven approach and for being an extreme powerhouse. He also thanked the board members for their support and all they have taught him during his last three years of service on the board.

**S. Nieman:**

- Sue is proud of the fact that two of our administrators have been offered Superintendent positions in other districts and feels that it proves the caliber of our staff members. She is proud of everyone in all departments and thinks we have the best staff in all of the county.

**C. Murray:**

- Cheryl is proud of the staff who made the graduation ceremony possible. It was a great night and it felt good getting back to normal.

**M. Meerschaert:**

- Michele is proud of Phil Jankowski for all he has done. She said that Anchor Bay is lucky to have him.

**S. Kline:**

- Scott is proud of Jordan Ackerman and thanked him for his three years of service. He enjoyed working with him and mentoring him.

**A. Blake:**

- Andrew is proud of Phil and agrees that Anchor Bay is lucky to have him. He is also happy to hear that Rob Girvin will be the new Elementary Assistant Principal.

**P. Jankowski:**

- Phil thanked everyone for everything both professionally and personally.

**M. Musary:**

- Superintendent Musary said that he has known Jordan since he was in 8<sup>th</sup> grade and is proud of the adult he has become. He also wished Phil good luck and said that he was happy for him.

Michele Meerschaert  
Secretary, Board of Education