

**ARMADA AREA SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
April 21, 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

Absent: T. Seago-Fry

Administration Present: M. Musary, P. Jankowski

School Personnel Present: C. Finkbeiner - remotely

Guests Present: E. Cooper - remotely

20-23 Motion by C. Murray, supported by S. Nieman that the Board of Education approve the agenda as amended with items 2 and 3 of the consent agenda removed for a separate vote.

Roll Call

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

Nays: None MOTION PASSED : 6-0

20-24 Motion by J. Tobey, 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. February 18, 2020 (Regular Meeting)
 - b. February 18, 2020 (Special Meeting)
2. Personnel Report
 - o Resignation of Becky Phillion effective 3-5-2020
 - o Resignation of Colleen Chunn effective 3-27-2020
 - o Resignation of Cassandra Farrugia effective 6-30-2020

Roll Call

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

Nays: None MOTION PASSED : 6-0

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20-25 Motion by M. Meerschaert, supported by J. Ackerman, that the Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda's monthly bills payable.

1. Monthly Bills Payable - February 2020
2. Monthly Bills Payable - March 2020

Roll Call

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

Abstain: C. Murray

Nays: None

MOTION PASSED : 5-0

20-26 President , Scott Kline, adjourned the meeting at 7:50 p.m. with the motion to adjourn from J. Tobey and supported by M. Meerschaert.

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, the teaching staff has regular office hours on Zoom, Google Hangouts, and See Saw. Some of the online support includes iXL, RAZ Kids, Khan Academy, Summit Learning, and Accelerated Reader. We have provided learning packets that are available on our website and also for pickup outside the building 24/7 – these are offered every 3 weeks.
- At the M.S., the teaching staff has online office hours and is sending out lessons via emails or their websites. Hard copies of lessons are prepared on a request basis. The NJHS is collecting artwork via a bin outside of AMS to be displayed at local hospitals to show nurses support for National Nurses' Week (May 6 -12).
- At the H.S., the teaching staff has online office hours and is sending out lessons via emails or on their websites. Hard copies of lessons are prepared on a request basis. Counselors have been

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individually calling students if teachers notify us they haven't been engaging. Also, the boys Bowling Team won a MHSAA D3 State title in March and the girls Bowling Team placed 8th in the state. 12 AHS students earned All-Macomb County Academic Dream Team status. The girls Bowling Team and boys Basketball team both earned all-state academic team status.

- At MA2S, the Fighting Pi were District Event Champions and Chairman Award Winners at their only competition of the year at Macomb Community College on February 27-29, 2020.
- In technology, we will be delivering over 400 Chromebooks to families this week via a drive-thru pick-up process. If there is adequate supply, the plan is to replace all of the district desktop computers this summer.
- For the 3rd consecutive year, Armada Area Schools was named a 2020 BEST Communities for MUSIC EDUCATION by the NAMM Foundation.

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

- Continuous Learning Plan - Developed in conjunction with MISD and broken into three modes of delivery; virtual, hybrid, and hard copy
- The remainder of the school year is broken into three week increments.
- Teachers will provide lessons and instruction as needed through Building Website, by following up with individual students, checking in with IEP and 504 students weekly.
- Counselors and administrators are following up with students who have not attended or have other concerns.
- Counselors are holding virtual support groups.
- Participation is averaging around 70% on instruction and office hours.
- Teachers have scheduled office hours for questions.
- Grading - Seniors will get grades for classes per the executive order and all other students will get Credit, Incomplete, or No Credit
- 2020-21 School Year - the MDE advises that school will likely see significant disruption next year so we are planning for additional hybrid learning such as EMPOWER Learning Management System and XELLO Career Readiness System.

Board Reports:

No Board Reports

Old Business:

No old business

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New Business:

Member C. Murray asked if graduation and end of the year events were still on the radar for a later date. Mr. Musary responded that they are looking at late July for some of the events if the “stay at home” ban is lifted. They are hoping to do what they can, especially for the seniors.

Points of Pride:

J. Tobey:

- Proud of the teachers of the year and Mrs. Cmarik for being named the Macomb County Elementary Teacher of the Year.

M. Meerschaert:

- Proud of the twelve high school students who earned All-Macomb County Academic Dream Team status.

S. Nieman:

- Proud of the staff, teachers, food service and all of the departments. Everyone is doing a great job.

J. Ackerman

- Proud of the community as a whole as everyone is pulling together and getting things done with the best interest of the kids.

P. Jankowski:

- Said that Armada students have always done well academically, but he is proud of the social and emotional support being shown by the teachers and staff. He feels they are going above and beyond to make that human connection.

C. Murray:

- Proud of the teaching staff and coaches and the staff who are trying to recognize the seniors who did not get to finish their high school athletic careers.

S. Kline

- Understands the difficulty of students dealing with a change in the direction of the plans they had laid out, but proud of the way everyone is dealing with the acceptance of that change. He is thankful to the staff for all of their hard work.

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M. Musary:

- Proud of the community coming together and everyone working together, including staff, food service, custodians and parents. The parents are doing a great job and he is appreciative of the community as a whole.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Judy Tobey".

Judy Tobey, Secretary
Armada Board of Education