

**ARMADA AREA SCHOOLS  
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
June 18, 2024**

The Regular Board of Education meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Administration Building Board Room, 74500 Burk Street, Armada, MI 48005. The meeting was called to order by Board President, Shawn Wylin.

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

Board of Education Absent: S. Hill, S. Wolak, A. Blake w/notice

Administration Present: M. Musary, K. Skokna

24-46 Motion by M. Meerschaert, supported by C. Murray, that the Board of Education approve the Agenda as presented.

**Voice Vote:** C. Murray, S. Nieman, S. Wylin, M. Meerschaert,

Ayes: All

Nays: None

MOTION PASSED: 4 - 0

24-47 Motion by C. Murray, supported by M. Meerschaert, that the Board of Education meet in closed session for the purpose of negotiations. The meeting will take place in the Board Room at the end of the regular meeting. (Staff Report #1)

**Roll Call Vote:** C. Murray, S. Nieman, S. Wylin, M. Meerschaert,

Ayes: All

Nays: None

MOTION PASSED: 4 - 0

24-48 Motion by M. Meerschaert, supported by S. Nieman, that the Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

1. Approval of Minutes

a. May 21, 2024 (Regular Meeting Minutes)

b. May 21, 2024 (Closed Session Meeting Minutes - Negotiation)

c. May 21, 2024 (Closed Session Meeting Minutes - Personnel)

2. Monthly Bills Payable in the amount of \$1,371,668.03.

3. Personnel Report

**Voice Vote:** C. Murray, S. Nieman, S. Wylin, M. Meerschaert,

Ayes: All

Nays: None

MOTION PASSED: 4 - 0

24-49 Motion by C. Murray, supported by M. Meerschaert, that the attached names of Armada High School students having completed the requirements for graduation and received diplomas on May 22, 2024, be placed in the Official Minutes of the Armada Board of Education. (Staff Report #2)

**Voice Vote:** C. Murray, S. Nieman, S. Wylin, M. Meerschaert

Ayes: All

Nays: None

MOTION PASSED: 4 - 0



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24-55 Motion by C. Murray, supported by S. Nieman, that the Board of Education approve the three year contract for the Armada Food Service Association for the period of 7/1/2024 through 6/30/2027. (Staff Report #8)

**Voice Vote:** C. Murray, S. Nieman, S. Wylin, M. Meerschaert

Ayes: All

Nays: None

MOTION PASSED: 4 – 0

24-56 Motion by C. Murray, supported by M. Meerschaert, that the Board of Education approve the three year contract for the Armada Education Association for the period of 8/1/2024 through 7/31/2027. (Staff Report #9)

**Voice Vote:** C. Murray, S. Nieman, S. Wylin, M. Meerschaert

Ayes: All

Nays: None

MOTION PASSED: 4 – 0

24-57 Motion by M. Meerschaert, supported by S. Nieman, that the Board of Education approve the three year contract for the Armada Custodial and Maintenance Association for the period of 7/1/2024 through 6/30/2027. (Staff Report #10)

**Voice Vote:** C. Murray, S. Nieman, S. Wylin, M. Meerschaert

Ayes: All

Nays: None

MOTION PASSED: 4 - 0

24-58 President, S. Wylin, adjourned the meeting at 8:12 p.m. with the motion to adjourn from C. Murray and supported by M. Meerschaert.

**Hearing of the Public:**

No public comments were made.

**Communications:**

- None

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**Superintendent's Report:**

Superintendent Musary shared the Budget information that had been previously shared at the Budget Hearing prior to the regular meeting.

**2023 -2024 Budget Amendment Highlights**

In the General Fund:

Bottom line (Fund Equity) increased by \$7,000 from March 19, 2024 budget amendment.

Revenues and expenditures both are down overall due to \$1.2 million MPSERS One Time Deposit eliminated for the 2023/24 school year.

Budgeting a decrease to fund equity, but very possible that actual fund equity will increase based on historical spending.

In the Food Service Fund:

Amended based on actual revenue and expenditures.

Minimal change to the bottom line (Fund Equity), which is \$55,286 (was \$56,000). However, both revenues and expenditures up over \$400,000 due to state funding all breakfasts and lunches during the 2023/24 school year.

**2024-2025 Budget Highlights**

In the General Fund:

State budget not approved at this time, so using Governor Whitmer's proposal of a \$245 per pupil funding increase for 24/25.

Budget model keeps enrollment flat at 1,702.

Utilizing a 2% reduction in MPSERS rate (5% - 7% reduction on the table in Lansing)

\$995,000 COVID Relief Funds no longer in budget.

In the Food Service Fund:

Budget model assumes the state will be paying for breakfast and lunches.

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

- I. Curriculum Committee Presentation: Textbook adoption recommendations
  - A. United States History: Preparing for the Advanced Placement Examination
  - B. HMH's Into Math: Algebra 2
  - C. SAVVAS's Precalculus: Graphical, Numerical, Algebraic
- II. NWEA & School Improvement Goals
- III. Additional Updates
  - A. Summer Learning
  - B. Continuing the Number Corners Pilot at the elementary school (2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> grade)
  - C. Reviewing all Social Studies Needs in 2024-2025
  - D. School Improvement Goals
    1. Improving growth in all subject areas
    2. Continuing to build our SEL supports
  - E. 2024-2025 Professional Development
    1. Kagan
    2. CKLA/ELA

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**Board Reports:** None

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:** The MASB Summer Institute will be offering courses in August.

**Points of Pride:**

**C. Murray:**

- Member Murray is proud of the food service staff, the trap team, and Miracle Foster for being recognized by the MISD as Armada's 2024 Literacy Ambassador.

**M. Meerschaert:**

- Member Meerschaert said that the graduation ceremony was extra special to her and it was well done.

**S. Wylin:**

- Member Wylin is pleased with the many summer programs, especially those for special needs. She is grateful to the staff involved.

**S. Nieman:**

- Member Nieman is amazed and proud of all of the bond work that is going on. She said that a lot is happening and it is looking good.

**K. Skokna:**

- Ms. Skokna is happy with all of the summer learning opportunities and is proud of those students and staff.

**M. Musary:**

- Mr. Musary is proud of the Trap Team and their coach, Mr. Cliff Urbanek, as the team took second place at States this past weekend. They competed against 92 other teams.



Michele Meerschaert  
Secretary, Board of Education