

JANUARY 13, 2021

The Ashley school board held their regular meeting on Wednesday, January 13, 2021 at 7:00pm in the ITV room. Present: Kyle Thiery, Amy Schlepp, Lyle Fey, Ross Litsey, \*Kevin Nitschke, Jason Schmidt, Chris Doane, Teresa Dockter, \*Sabrina Hornung.

Motion by Schlepp to approve the agenda with three additions. Second by Thiery, motion carried unanimously.

\*Kevin Nitschke entered the meeting at 7:02pm. Motion by Litsey to approve the minutes of the December 9<sup>th</sup> meeting as written. Second by Schlepp, motion carried unanimously.

\*Sabrina Hornung entered the meeting at 7:04pm. Motion by Nitschke to approve payment of general fund bills (\$23,003.65) and special assessment fund bill (\$997.56). Second by Thiery, motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Nitschke to approve all financial reports as presented. Second by Litsey, motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Schlepp to approve the contract for Tucker Meidinger as assistant baseball coach (\$3,216). Second by Nitschke, motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Thiery to approve Denise Martz as the Ashley school district's homeless liaison and Chris Doane as the foster care liaison. Second by Schlepp, motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Nitschke to hire Ann Bettenhausen to teach driver's ed at \$1,300 for classroom instruction and \$30/hour per student for B-T-W instruction. Second by Schlepp, motion carried unanimously. Mr. Schmidt anticipates 10-14 students.

Mr. Schmidt stated Kidder County school is switching from Arizona State University to NDCDE for their virtual elementary students, therefore they will discontinue providing the monitor. Mr. Doane said we currently have one student and the family is in favor of the change. Motion by Schlepp to switch to NDCDE for elementary virtual students. Second by Thiery, motion carried unanimously.

Schlepp, Thiery and Mr. Schmidt will attend the virtual negotiations seminar.

The board held the first reading on the following policies: Records Retention; District-Schools Parent and Family Engagement.

Discussion on a camera system for the gym. Mr. Schmidt will research options and bring more information to the next meeting.

Legislative session has begun--weekly updates will be emailed.

Superintendent's report: 1) Team bus broke down in Minot & was towed to Bismarck--problem is a control box housing the sensors, waiting on parts; 2) Another CARES act is forthcoming, details on how much and how it can be spent are pending ; 3) Governor mask mandate may be lifted 1/18--board directed administrators to use their discretion regarding masks if that happens.

Principal's report: 1) Intervention/Exact Path is working well; 2) Currently ten NDCDE students--grade scale is different than ours, letter grades will be entered as given. Five students switched back to in-person learning after semester break.

Next meeting will be February 10, 2021 at 7:00pm. Motion by Schlepp to adjourn, second by Thiery. Motion carried unanimously, meeting adjourned at 7:49pm.

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Teresa Dockter, Business Manager

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Lyle Fey, President