

JUNE 7, 2021

The Ashley school board held their regular meeting on Monday, June 7, 2021 at 8pm in the ITV room. Present: Kyle Thiery, Amy Schlepp, Lyle Fey, Kevin Nitschke, Ross Litsey, Jason Schmidt, Chris Doane, Teresa Dockter, Sabrina Hornung.

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

Motion by Litsey to approve the minutes from the May 12th meeting as written. Second by Schlepp, motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Schlepp to approve payment of general fund bills (\$13,622.01). Second by Nitschke, motion carried unanimously.

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

Motion by Nitschke to approve the contract for Melissa Meyer as yearbook advisor (\$1,700). Second by Thiery, motion carried unanimously.

Rehire notices for 21/22 were reviewed as listed:

Teresa Dockter--\$23.11/hour

Todd Dockter--\$1,956.15/month for 9 months

Kristy Glaesman--\$15.90/hour

Link Golz--\$55.04/day

Jim Heupel--\$22.64/hour

Marlon Lippert--\$15.30/hour

Fern Schauer--\$21.00/trip

Larry Schauer--\$1,956.15/month for 9 months

Mike Schumacher--\$14.67/hour

Teresa Thiery--\$15.11/hour, \$13.32/hour FFV program

Monica Wolf--\$16.20/hour through 10/31/21

Board members canvassed the June 1 election results--137 votes were cast as follows:

Rural At Large Representative:

Jordan Jenner 82

Kary Lindgren 55

Publishing Minutes:

For 116

Against 9

Motion by Litsey to approve the election results and declare Jordan Jenner the winner of the Rural at Large position as well as approval to publish minutes for the next two years. Second by Thiery, motion carried unanimously.

The updated Restart Plan was reviewed--motion by Litsey to approve the plan as presented. Second by Thiery, motion carried unanimously. The plan will be published on the school website as required.

Supt. Schmidt provided information on ESSER II and ESSER III funding--the school will receive approximately \$460,000 over the next three years. Some of ESSER II must be spent for learning loss--intend to pay for new reading curriculum (about \$25,000). 20% of ESSER III must be spent on learning loss (approximately \$64,000)--intend to pay for the intervention strategist with those funds over the next three years. The idea of using ESSER funds to build a community weight/cardio room onto the elementary gym was discussed. It would free up two classrooms for use, allow more room for phy ed classes to social distance and allow the community to use it without having to enter the school building. Board members authorized Mr. Schmidt to contact an engineer to research the project. Will be putting a committee together to further discuss how to spend learning loss funds as well as remaining ESSER funds and bring information back to the board. Amy Schlepp will be on the committee as well as the administrators, Cognia team, special ed and title teachers.

The second reading was held for the following policies: Students in Foster Care; Foster Care Transportation Procedure, Foster Care Student Transportation Dispute Resolution Procedure. Motion by Schlepp to approve the policies as written. Second by Nitschke, motion carried unanimously.

Superintendent's report: 1) Two cook positions open and only one applicant so far. It is critical that we find another cook or we won't be able to provide a meal program and students would have to bring their own lunch; 2) Two applicants for intervention strategist, interviews soon; 3) Martell would pay \$1,000 for each old bus. Mr. Schmidt was directed to advertise for bids with a minimum bid of \$1,000; 4) 16 students participating in state FFA competition; 5) Former Ashley student, Katie Schmidt, has been named an Astronaut Scholar and will travel to Florida in August to receive her award and present her research; 6) Discussion on using ESSER funds for retention bonuses for those who sign their contracts--propose \$1,000. Will discuss again in July.

Principal's report: Learned at recent principal's meeting that truancy issues will be handled by the Health department, rather than the Sheriff's office.

On behalf of the board, President Fey thanked Kevin Nitschke for his years of service on the Ashley school board.

Annual meeting will be July 19, 2021 at 8:00pm. Motion by Schlepp to adjourn, second by Thiery. Motion carried unanimously, meeting adjourned at 8:52pm.

Teresa Dockter, Business Manager

Lyle Fey, President

