FEBRUARY 8, 2017

The Ashley School Board held their regular meeting on Wednesday, February 8, 2017 at 7:00pm in the ITV room. Present: Trisha Schneider, Lyle Fey, Kevin Nitschke, Ross Litsey, \*Gwyn Schumacher (7:08), Jason Schmidt, Cary Hauth, Teresa Dockter.

Motion by Nitschke to approve the agenda with one addition. Second by Litsey, motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Litsey to approve minutes of the January 11th meeting as written. Second by Schneider, motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Nitschke to approve payment of general fund bills ($28,103.66). Second by Schneider, motion carried unanimously. \*Gwyn Schumacher entered the meeting at 7:08pm.

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

Motion by Schumacher to hold the annual election on June 6, 2017. Second by Schneider, motion carried unanimously. Schumacher (city) and Schneider (at large) positions are up this year. Teresa Dockter noted the June meeting to canvas the election will be June 12th. She also stated the July annual meeting will need to be held July 10th due to vacation schedules.

President Fey distributed superintendent evaluation forms and directed board members to complete and return them by March 1st.

Motion by Schneider to approve the AEA’s petition for recognition as the sole negotiating unit for licensed teachers employed or to be employed by the board. Second by Schumacher, motion carried unanimously. Fey and Schumacher will be the board’s representatives for teaching staff and administrative negotiations.

Motion by Schumacher to approve the contract for Bryan Schumacher to teach driver’s education with the date changes to 6/1,6/2 & 6/5-7 at the rate of $1000 for classroom instruction and $171.96 per student for BTW. Second by Schneider, motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Hauth presented a contract draft that ITV students and parents would have to sign before taking ITV classes. The ITV classes are year-long and cost $600 per student—if the student drops the class after billing has occurred, that money is lost. The contract would make the students/parents aware that if they choose to drop the class after billing or at semester time, they would be responsible for reimbursement to the school. Motion by Litsey to approve the use of the ITV contract. Second by Nitschke, motion carried unanimously.

Supt. Schmidt stated Mr. Garnaas has applied for the music position—there have been no other applicants or interest as of this date. He stated Mr. Garnaas is doing a great job and recommends hiring him for the position. Motion by Nitschke to offer Mr. Garnaas a contract for 2017-18 at BA/BS +40/MA step 21. Second by Schneider, motion carried unanimously.

Superintendent’s report: 1) Discussion on auditor’s recommendation to transfer special reserve money to be in compliance with century code. Discussion also on purchasing a 77-passenger bus to accommodate the city route and possible additional mini-bus. Board members directed Mr. Schmidt to put specs together for a 77-passenger and a mini-bus to advertise for bids, but also to check if used units are available in either of those capacities; 2) Discussion on head lice protocol; 3) Joint board co-op meeting will be March 13th at 6pm in Wishek—agenda items should be submitted by 3/1; 4) Legislative updates.

Principal Hauth presented a draft of the 2017-18 schedule for discussion.

Next meeting will be March 15, 2017 at 7:00pm. Motion to adjourn by Schneider, second by Litsey. Motion carried unanimously, meeting adjourned at 9:08pm.

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Teresa Dockter, Business Manager Lyle Fey, President

FEBRUARY 27, 2017

The Ashley School Board held a special meeting on Monday, February 27, 2017 at 7:30am in the ITV room. Present: Lyle Fey, Gwyn Schumacher, Trisha Schneider, \*Kevin Nitschke (7:32), Jason Schmidt, Teresa Dockter. Ross Litsey was absent.

Agenda item was an early retirement application from Lynn Rerick effective at the end of the 2016-17 school year. She is eligible for $14,760 in early retirement payments as well as $6,393.36 for insurance. Motion by Schumacher to approve the early retirement application. Second by Schneider, motion carried unanimously. \*Kevin Nitschke entered the meeting at 7:32am).

Mr. Schmidt will begin advertising the position immediately. Schumacher and Schneider volunteered to be on the interview committee.

Motion to adjourn by Schumacher, second by Schneider. Motion carried unanimously, meeting adjourned at 7:34am.

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