JULY 12, 2017

The Ashley school board held their annual meeting on Wednesday, July 12, 2017 at 8:00pm in the ITV room. Present: Gwyn Schumacher, Lyle Fey, Ross Litsey, Trisha Schneider, \*Kevin Nitschke (8:31), Jason Schmidt, Teresa Dockter, Breigh Schlepp\*, \*Kary Lindgren (8:46).

Motion by Schumacher to approve the agenda with one addition. Second by Schneider, motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Litsey to accept the Oath of Office forms for Gwyn Schumacher and Trisha Schneider. Second by Fey, motion carried unanimously.

Fey called for nominations for president of the board. Motion by Schneider to nominate Fey as president for 2017-18. Second by Litsey, motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Schumacher to approve the minutes of the June 12th and June 27th meetings as written. Second by Schneider, motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Litsey to approve payment of general fund bills ($64,758.00) and building fund bills ($4,860.75). Second by Schneider, motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Schneider to designate McIntosh County Bank as the depository for school funds. Second by Schumacher, motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Schumacher to approve the pledge of securities by McIntosh County Bank. Second by Litsey, motion carried.

Motion by Schumacher to designate the Ashley Tribune as the official newspaper. Second by Schneider, motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Schumacher to set the regular meeting schedule on the second Wednesday of the month, subject to change due to conflicts. Second by Schneider, motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Litsey to approve yearly reports A-K as presented. Second by Schumacher, motion carried unanimously.

\*Breigh Kretschmar took pictures of the board members and left the meeting at 8:16pm.

Supt. Schmidt reported that Cheyenne Dockter has returned her contract to teach Vo Ag for the 2018-19 school year. He stated that Michael Schlepp wouldn’t have been able to teach construction to grades 7-9 according to CTE guidelines. He presented a revised class schedule and recommended hiring a study hall supervisor for the afternoons. Motion by Schumacher to authorize Mr. Schmidt to hire a study hall supervisor for 3 periods per day for the 17-18 school year. Second by Schneider, motion carried unanimously. \*Kevin Nitschke entered the meeting at 8:31pm.

Revenue projections were reviewed--corrected information shows the estimated taxable valuation increasing by about $30,000. Mr. Schmidt noted that next year, depending on the taxable valuation, the board may not be able to levy the full 12% increase on the general fund due to the 70 mill cap. \*Kary Lindgren entered the meeting at 8:46pm.

The baseball co-op was discussed. Motion by Nitschke to move forward with a baseball co-op with Lamoure/LMM with the following conditions: 1) The school will pay the $35 annual fee to NDHSAA, however parents will be responsible for all other costs involved in the program; 2) Parents will provide all transportation; 3) Participants will not be allowed to leave school early, except on game days. Second by Schneider--roll call vote: Schumacher-yes, Schneider-yes, Fey-yes, Nitschke-yes, Litsey-yes, motion carried unanimously. All of the boards from the involved schools will have to approve the co-op and conditions before it can be finalized. \*Kary Lindgren left the meeting at 9:00pm.

The board discussed the proposed budget and certificate of levy. President Fey called for a meeting break from 9:27-9:34. Following a more lengthy discussion, motion by Schumacher to move forward with the tax levies and budget as presented, second by Schneider. Roll call vote: Schumacher-yes, Schneider-yes, Fey-yes, Nitschke-no, Litsey-yes, motion carried. The proposed increased tax levy will require a public hearing prior to approval.

Motion by Litsey to approve the .10 lunch and breakfast price increase as proposed. Second by Nitschke, motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Nitschke to approve the 2016/17 district financial report as presented. Second by Litsey, motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Nitschke to approve Mr. Schmidt as the authorized representative for Title I, Title II, Title III, Title IV and REAP funds. Second by Schumacher, motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Schumacher to approve Mr. Schmidt as the authorized representative for the following: Title IX, Homeless Liaison, ADA, Section 504, SE High Tech, Great Western Network, SCPSEU, MREC, AHERA & DOT Drug & Alcohol Safety. Second by Schneider, motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Nitschke to approve the following contracts: Wendy Bichler--$200 (student council), Amanda Indergaard--$1,940 (JHVB), Lucas Moldenhauer--$800 (sophomore/junior class advisor), Kyle Thiery--$1,050 (ElemBBB), Kaitlyn Weszner--$1,940 (JHVB), Cheyenne Dockter--$37,675 (Vo Ag Teacher 2018-19). Second by Schumacher, motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Schneider to approve handbook revisions as presented. Second by Schumacher, motion carried unanimously.

Superintendent’s report: 1) Ross Litsey has volunteered to help with elementary football;

2) Spoke to Mr. Kuntz about a co-op prom, he doesn’t think they would be interested; 3) HA Thompson repaired some broken louvers in the gym so the noise problem is fixed; 4) They expect 20 kids for HS football and 20 for JH so committee is recommending hiring Trey Peterson for HS and Josh Wolff for JH. Trey would be able to help out for JV games also. It appears there will be a need for a c-squad volleyball coach, so would like to advertise for that as well. Motion by Schumacher to approve the coaches as recommended. Second by Litsey, motion carried unanimously.

The next meeting will be August 14, 2017 with a public hearing for the tax levy at 7pm and the regular meeting to follow. Motion by Schumacher to adjourn, second by Schneider. Motion carried unanimously, meeting adjourned at 10:34pm.

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