

MARCH 13, 2018

The Ashley School Board held their regular meeting on Tuesday, March 13, 2018 at 6:30am in the ITV room. Present: Lyle Fey, Gwyn Schumacher, Kevin Nitschke, Ross Litsey, *Trisha Schneider (6:32), Jason Schmidt, Cary Hauth, Teresa Dockter, Corey Ulmer.

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

Motion by Nitschke to approve the minutes of the February 7th meeting as written. Second by Litsey, motion carried unanimously.

*Trisha Schneider entered the meeting at 6:32am. Discussion on bus repairs for #9 and #10. Motion by Schumacher to approve payment of general fund bills (\$28,435.03). Second by Nitschke, motion carried unanimously.

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

Corey Ulmer was present to discuss using the facilities for his training business--would be Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6-7am. He is currently running a similar training program in the Wishek armory. Would also like to work with wrestlers during the off-season. Mr. Schmidt is waiting on NDSBA samples of liability release forms and other recommendations regarding rent. Motion by Nitschke to allow Corey Ulmer to use the facilities upon NDSBA clearing of any legal issues. Second by Litsey, motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Schneider to approve the resignation from Jennifer Ellingson effective at the end of the 17/18 school year. Second by Schumacher, motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Schumacher to approve the resignations from Staci Just (Head VB coach) and Sara Crossingham (Asst VB coach). Second by Schneider, motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Schumacher to approve the early retirement application from Lisa Eszlinger, effective at the end of the 17/18 school year. Second by Nitschke, motion carried unanimously. Mrs. Eszlinger has chosen 1 payment of \$29,191.25 on 1/2/19 and there will be an additional \$4,000 towards insurance.

Bus bids were reviewed: 1) Hartley's--2019 59 passenger seated to 53-\$79,990; 2) Harlow's--2019 59 passenger seated to 53-\$82,655; 3) Trucks of Bismarck--2018 53 passenger seated to 47-\$77,797 (stock unit) or 2019 53 passenger seated to 47-\$78,697. Some discussion on warranty and the clean diesel grant that's still pending. Motion by Nitschke to purchase the 2018 unit from Trucks of Bismarck for \$77,797. Approval based on warranty information requested and purchase terms of grant application. Second by Schumacher, motion carried unanimously.

The board held the second reading of the following policies: Bullying, Compensation and Expenses for Board Members, Accessibility, Wellness. Motion by Schumacher to approve and adopt the policies as written. Second by Schneider, motion carried unanimously.

President Fey reported that the superintendent evaluations have been completed and Mr. Schmidt received satisfactory ratings in all categories.

South Border co-op meeting will be held on March 19, 2018 at 6:30pm in the Ashley school library.

The long-range planning meeting will be held on April 11th at 7pm in the library, with the regular school board meeting to follow.

Superintendent's report: 1) Developmental screening for 3-5 year olds will be held on April 5th; 2) 19 qualifiers for state science fair; 3) Will not have to make up the storm day, as we have one day built into our calendar due to extra length of the school day.

Principal's report: 1) Upcoming events--Acalympics in Linton 3/13, Anatomy field trip 3/14, ACT for juniors 3/20, Tom Gibson presentation 3/21, Parent-Teacher conferences 3/22 from 3:30-9:30pm; 2) Registration for 18/19 has been completed--several online courses included--may have to think about limiting those.

President Fey stated at 7:32am that the board and Teresa Dockter would adjourn to executive session under NDCC 44-04-19.2 to discuss principal negotiations.

The board reconvened the regular meeting at 7:42am. Motion by Nitschke to adjourn, second by Litsey. Motion carried unanimously, meeting adjourned at 7:43am.

Teresa Dockter, Business Manager

Lyle Fey, President