

APRIL 17, 2019

The Ashley school board held their regular meeting on Wednesday, April 17, 2019 at 8:00pm in the ITV room. Present: Gwyn Schumacher, Trisha Schneider, Lyle Fey, Ross Litsey, \*Kevin Nitschke (8:02), Jason Schmidt, Teresa Dockter, Cary Hauth, Tony Bender, Kelly Dockter, Sara Sathre.

Motion by Schumacher to approve the agenda with two additions. Second by Schneider, motion carried unanimously.

\*Kevin Nitschke entered the meeting at 8:02pm. Motion by Schumacher to approve the minutes of the March 18<sup>th</sup>, April 5<sup>th</sup>, April 12<sup>th</sup> meetings as well as the April 8<sup>th</sup> co-op meeting as written. Second by Schneider, motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Schneider to approve payment of general fund bills (\$25,393.57). Second by Schumacher, motion carried unanimously.

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

Ms. Sathre reported on the state FBLA convention. There are 9 qualifiers for the national FBLA convention to be held June 27-July 3 in San Antonio, TX. Ms. Sathre requested 7 extended contract days of compensation for the national convention. Motion by Nitschke to table the request until the May meeting. Second by Schumacher, motion carried.

Mr. Schmidt reported the AdvancEd team review went well. The report will be available in a few weeks.

Mr. Schmidt reported state science fair results on behalf of Mr. Moldenhauer who was unable to attend. There are 2 qualifiers for the International Science Fair to be held in Phoenix, AZ. They will leave on May 10<sup>th</sup> and return on the 18<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Moldenhauer requested 2 extended contract days of compensation due to the event. Board members tabled the request until the May meeting.

The math candidate turned down the contract offer. The committee interviewed a 5<sup>th</sup> grade teacher candidate and recommends offering a contract. Motion by Litsey to offer a contract to BryAnna Outcalt-Ahrens. Second by Nitschke, motion carried unanimously.

Discussion about the need for special meetings following interviews. Motion by Nitschke to allow the hiring committee to extend a contract if it's a unanimous decision to offer a contract to the candidate. Second by Schumacher, motion carried. Discussion on signing bonuses--has not made any difference in the last several contracts offered, seems to be more of a location issue. Board members agreed to suspend offering signing bonuses for now.

Motion by Litsey to accept the resignations of Lucas Moldenhauer (Science) and Chuck Brandner (JHFB). Second by Nitschke. Board recessed from 9:04-9:11pm. Motion carried unanimously.

The second reading was held on the following policies: Extracurricular Participation Requirements, Suspension and Expulsion, Student Publications & Freedom of Expression,

English Language Learners, Title Programs Dispute Resolution Procedure, Patriotic Exercises. Motion by Schumacher to adopt the policies as written. Second by Schneider, motion carried unanimously.

The Crisis Prevention Intervention team needs to be recertified every two years. Mr. Schmidt said the training will be done in the fall before school starts and asked the board to pay the four teachers involved for a half day. Motion by Nitschke to grant the request. Second by Litsey, motion carried unanimously.

Superintendent's report: 1) BBB coach interviews were held--the committee offered Phillip Wanner head coach and Corey Bader asst coach with Kyle Thiery remaining at the JH level; 2) The Detroit DD5 engine for the new bus would have to be special ordered which would delay delivery until September so Mr. Schmidt told them to go ahead with the original Cummins engine instead; 3) Regarding Jim Heupel's resignation from bus driving--the usual method is to offer the route to the city driver and if declined, offer to the longest standing sub driver. Board members would like to advertise the position and leave the hiring decision to Mr. Schmidt.

Principal's report: 1) Upcoming events--4/25-FFA banquet, 5/1-Best of Class, 5/2-lockdown drill, 5/6-Academic awards, 5/7-spring concert, 5/8-state testing will be done, 5/13-presentation on social media for 6-12, 5/19-Graduation at 3pm, Baccalaureate at 2pm; 2) 3 students qualified for state music; 3) Will be doing handbook revisions--Schumacher & Schneider will be on the committee.

President Fey stated the board would move into executive session under NDCC 44-04-19.1 at 9:29pm.

The board reconvened the regular meeting at 9:47pm. Present: Schumacher, Schneider, Litsey, Nitschke, Fey, Schmidt & Dockter.

The next meeting will be May 8, 2019 at 8pm. Motion by Nitschke to adjourn, second by Schumacher. Motion carried unanimously, meeting adjourned at 9:48pm.

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Teresa Dockter, Business Manager

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Lyle Fey, President