

JULY 10, 2019

The Ashley school board held their annual meeting on Wednesday, July 10, 2019 at 8:00pm in the ITV room. Present: Gwyn Schumacher, Ross Litsey, Lyle Fey, *Kevin Nitschke (8:02), Jason Schmidt, Teresa Dockter, *Tony Bender (8:01).

Motion by Schumacher to approve the agenda with one change. Second by Litsey, motion carried unanimously.

*Tony Bender entered the meeting at 8:01pm. Motion by Schumacher to accept the Oath of Office forms Lyle Fey and Ross Litsey. Second by Litsey, motion carried unanimously.

*Kevin Nitschke entered the meeting at 8:02pm. Fey called for nominations for president of the board. Schumacher nominated Lyle Fey. Second by Nitschke, motion carried unanimously. Lyle Fey was elected school board president for the 19/20 school year.

Motion by Schumacher to approve the June 10th and June 20th minutes as written. Second by Litsey, motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Litsey to approve payment of general fund bills (\$121,747.11) and building fund bill (\$5,191.92). Second by Schumacher, motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Nitschke to designate McIntosh County Bank as the depository for all school funds. Second by Litsey, motion carried unanimously.

Board members reviewed the pledge of securities by McIntosh County Bank.

Motion by Litsey to designate the Ashley Tribune as the official newspaper for the Ashley school district. Second by Schumacher, motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Nitschke to set the regular meetings for the second Wednesday of each month, subject to change if conflicts arise. Second by Schumacher, motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Schumacher to approve financial reports A-J as presented. Second by Nitschke, motion carried unanimously.

Supt. Schmidt reviewed the revenue projections--he pointed out the district is currently \$58,000 off the state aid formula and the estimate for 20/21 is about \$168,000 off the formula. It looks like there could be legislation coming during next session to begin state aid deducts to bring districts like ours back onto the formula. He also reviewed the budget proposal and budget comparisons. Motion by Nitschke to approve the 19/20 budget as proposed--total budget is \$2,551,155. Second by Schumacher, motion carried unanimously.

The certificate of levy was discussed--could not levy the full 12% increase in general fund due to mill levy cap. Proposing an increased general fund levy of \$41,032, however dropped all of the miscellaneous levy (9 mills) out for 19/20 so net decrease in tax dollars is \$31,968. Mr. Schmidt pointed out it's very likely all or some of the miscellaneous levy will need to be put back in for 20/21. Total general fund levy is \$599,637 and building fund is \$15,000. Motion by Schumacher to approve the certificate of levy as proposed. Second by Nitschke, motion carried unanimously.

Teresa Dockter stated no meal price increase is required this year for students, however the teacher meal price must increase 10 cents to \$2.75 due to DPI requirements that the adult price must be .75 above the highest priced student meals.

Motion by Litsey to approve the 18/19 financial report to be filed with DPI. Second by Schumacher, 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 Litsey, motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Nitschke 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 Litsey, motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Schumacher to approve contracts as listed. Second by Litsey, motion carried unanimously.

Christopher Doane--\$75,000
Teresa Dockter--\$21.27/hr
Todd Dockter--\$1,519.45/mo (9 months)
Kristy Glaesman--\$14.63/hr
Link Golz--\$50.65/day
Dawn Goehring--\$15.50/hr
Jim Heupel--\$20.83/hr
Marlon Lippert--\$14.08/hr
Holly Meidinger--\$12.50/hr
Larry Schauer--\$1,519.45/mo (9 months)
Teresa Thiery--\$13.90/hr (para), \$12.25/hr (FFV)
Monica Wolf--\$14.91/hr
Mike Schumacher--\$13.50/hr
Matt Schlepp--\$900 (PWWR)
Jessica Schmidt--\$925 (Sophomore/Jr advisor)
Kyle Thiery--\$1,050 (Elem BBB)

The Ashley School District moves to approve the consolidated application for Title I, Title II, Title III, Title IV and REAP funds. The authorized representative (Mr. Schmidt) has the board's permission to submit this application. Motion by Schumacher, second by Nitschke. Motion carried unanimously.

The 19/20 schedule revision for 7-12 has been completed to accommodate math with Kulm (Mrs. Ellingson will teach via ITV M/W/F, with Dawn Goehring supervising the classroom and will teach from Ashley T/TH), Mr. Paulsrud will teach 7/8 social studies, Mr. Doane will teach 9th Phy Ed/Health and Ms. Morrison will be the elementary reading strategist.

Open positions--Mr. Schmidt stated JHFB and speech are still open. There is still one rural bus driver position open that he's been unable to fill. Distributed information on 2 rural routes instead of 3--would have to leave about 30 minutes earlier to accommodate & would take longer in evenings but looks like it could work. Would need a driver to take the 3 families out west home in the evenings but that could be a suburban. Proposed an increase in pay for the 2 remaining rural drivers. Board members agreed it's a viable solution and asked that the routes be driven to determine timeframes so they can make a final decision at the August meeting.

Mr. Schmidt distributed the handbook with revisions for board members to review. Will need to approve at the August meeting so it will be ready for the start of school.

The second reading of the sports co-op guidelines policy was held. Motion by Litsey to approve the policy as presented contingent upon legal approval. Second by Schumacher, motion carried unanimously.

Superintendent's report: 1) Will start on the gym floor 7/12; 2) Mini bus sustained minimal damage during national FBLA trip, will not file with insurance as Jim can take care of it.

Next meeting will be August 14, 2019 at 8:00pm. The public tax hearing will be held on September 11, 2019 at 7pm with the regular meeting to follow. Motion to adjourn by Schumacher, second by Nitschke. Motion carried unanimously, meeting adjourned at 9:18pm.

Teresa Dockter, Business Manager

Lyle Fey, President