

SEPTEMBER 14, 2022

The Ashley school board held a public tax hearing on Wednesday, September 14, 2022 at 7:30pm in the library. Present: Lyle Fey, Ross Litsey, Jordan Jenner, Amy Schlepp, Jason Schmidt, Chris Doane, Teresa Dockter, Tucker Meidinger, Tony Bender. Kyle Thiery was absent.

Superintendent Schmidt reviewed the following: 1) projected enrollment numbers; 2) personnel; 3) revenue/expenses for the past four years & current year projections; 4) mill levy history; 5) Covid money uses and remaining funds to be spent; 6) impact of taxes on residential & agricultural property. The district asked for the same amount of tax dollars as last year so net result is a decrease of \$1.44 and \$4.80 respectively.

The regular school board meeting was convened at 7:50pm.

Motion by Schlepp to approve the agenda. Second by Jenner, motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Litsey to approve the minutes of the August 10th meeting as written. Second by Schlepp, motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Jenner to approve payment of general fund bills (\$48,696.14). Second by Litsey, motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Schlepp to approve financial reports as presented. Second by Jenner, motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Schmidt stated the architect plans to meet with the building committee next week so he will have more information available at the next meeting.

Motion by Jenner to approve the budget revisions within the current budget as proposed with no change to the total budget figure. Second by Litsey, motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Schmidt distributed a proposal from Valuations Northwest for appraisal and inventory services for insurance purposes. It was done in 2016 and is required every six years—cost would be approximately \$6,000. The board tabled the matter in order to review the proposal.

Motion by Schlepp to approve the open enrollment application for Mylah Glaesman. Second by Litsey, motion carried unanimously.

The bullying policy was reviewed--no changes are necessary. Motion by Schlepp to approve the policy as written. Second by Jenner, motion carried unanimously.

Superintendent's report: 1) NFHS camera system—there have been some problems with glitches in the system. FB camera is active & ready for this week's game; 2) Currently having issues with the wireless network dropping on some student computers. Appears the 60 newest computers have chips that aren't compatible with the new network access points. DRN will install new chips as soon as they're available. The older computers seem to work ok so Mr. Doane is switching some of them out in the meantime; 3) Received a quote for shower replacement in elementary locker rooms—will review with architect; 4) Will start implementation of 7 Mindsets program on 10/3;

5) Met with legislators/area superintendents—good discussion; 6) Tri-County Fair board made a donation which Supt. Kuntz from Wishek is using to buy South Border signs—7-12 athletes will be getting free yard signs—they are also available for purchase by patrons.

Principal's report: 1) NWEA testing is done, staff is working on goals; 2) Haley Kaseman qualified for state golf; 3) Discussion on the proposed 3-class system.

Next meeting will be October 10, 2022 at 8:00pm. Motion by Jenner to adjourn, second by Litsey. Motion carried unanimously, meeting adjourned at 8:45pm.

Teresa Dockter, Business Manager

Lyle Fey, President