

OCTOBER 8, 2025

The Ashley school board held their regular meeting on Wednesday, October 8, 2025 at 8:00pm in the Ashley school conference room. Present: Lyle Fey, Jordan Jenner, Corey Ulmer, Jason Schmidt, Chris Doane, Teresa Dockter, *Daniel Julson (via zoom). Amy Schlepp and Ross Litsey were absent.

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

Motion by Ulmer to approve the minutes of the September 10th meeting as written. Second by Jenner, motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Jenner to approve payment of general fund bills (\$83,470.65). Second by Ulmer, motion carried unanimously.

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

Daniel Julson joined the meeting via zoom to review the 24/25 audit report. Motion by Ulmer to approve the 24/25 audit report as presented. Second by Jenner, motion carried unanimously. Daniel Julson left the meeting at 8:12pm.

Mr. Schmidt explained how the state on-time funding works. Funding is based on our prior year's ADM, which was 113.08. They take an enrollment count on 9/10 each year (which was 124) and plug that into the state aid worksheet. The difference in our numbers could result in an approximate \$160,000 more. However, any decrease in the enrollment number after 9/10 gets subtracted from the following year's funding (which they call "clawback" funds). We have already lost 3 of the students from the 124 count so that could be a potential clawback of \$48,000 next year unless 3 students would move in to replace them.

After final bills have been submitted from Consolidated Construction and EngTech, the remaining funds from the referendum are \$175,255.38. Bills totaling \$152,629.75 were paid from the general fund during the renovation project for things outside of Consolidated Construction's scope of work. Consolidated Construction did have a contingency figure built into the project and there were several change orders along the way also, so the combination of those things created the leftover balance. Following discussion, motion by Jenner to use \$125,000 to offset project expenses incurred by the general fund and use the remaining \$50,255.38 to reduce the indebtedness of the renovation project balance. Second by Ulmer, motion carried unanimously.

Snow removal agenda item was tabled until November.

The cost for G&R Controls to replace the coil in the 4th grade unit is \$12.465—waiting on parts. They plan to switch the units in grades 2, 3, 4, 5 over to their control system November 10-11.

SB2330 mandates education on human trafficking prevention for grades 6, 10 and 12. Kedish House will provide the curriculum and education through grant funding.

Mr. Schmidt sent out a message regarding local ground beef—no new responses so will continue to buy from the two people we've been buying from. Will need more very soon.

Mr. Alcala will have to renew his H1B Visa in the spring. Federal government regulations have changed so not sure if that will have an effect on the renewal.

Mr. Schmidt's report: 1) Will interview an Ag teacher on 11/24 (would be for next school year); 2) Cognia review on 11/5; 3) First meeting for Infinite Campus implementation will be 11/7; 4) Put a committee together for playground equipment; 5) Elementary standards training is going well; 6) Staff members are reviewing NDA+ test results.

Mr. Doane's report: 1) Parent-Teacher conferences on 10/15; 2) Will be interviewing someone for JHBBB, also 4 applicants for girls track so will interview them in the future.

Next meeting is November 19, 2025 at 7:00pm. Motion by Jenner to adjourn, second by Ulmer. Motion carried unanimously, meeting adjourned at 9:29pm.

Teresa Dockter, Business Manager

Lyle Fey, President