

**Ashley Board of Education
Ashley Community Schools
Regular Meeting
Media Center
Monday, October 19, 2009
7:00 pm**

Members Present:

Anmarie Andrews, President
Ron Koppleberger, Vice-President
Cindy Wilson, Secretary
Melissa Payne, Treasurer
Allen Burk, Trustee
Annette O'Dell, Trustee @ 7:02 pm
Pat Wilk, Trustee @ 7:05 pm

Tim Hughes, Superintendent
Tom Saylor, Principal
Joe Holloway, Athletic Director

Guests:

Traci Gavenda
Trevin Gavenda
Jaden Gavenda
James Gavenda
Connie Andersen
Freddie Willbanks
Travis Baker
Connie Stehlik

1.0 Call to Order

President Anmarie Andrews called the October 19, 2009, Board of Education meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

2.0 Pledge of Allegiance

3.0 Roll Call

All Board members were present with the exceptions of Annette O'Dell and Pat Wilk. Ms. O'Dell entered the meeting at 7:02 p.m. and Mr. Wilk entered the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

4.0 Audience Participation

None.

5.0 Citizens of the Month

Elementary – Jaden Gavenda
Middle School – Devin Saylor
High School – Dominic Salazar

6.0 Approval of Consent Agenda

Recommended Action: The board approves the consent agenda items, as presented:

1. Approve the board agenda for the October 19, 2009, meeting, as presented or amended.
2. Approve the board minutes from the September 21 regular meeting, as presented or corrected.
3. Approve bills payable for October 2009, in the amount of \$243,870.13 - General Fund, \$7,426.07 - Hot Lunch Fund, and \$13,851.56 - Athletic Fund, for a total of \$265,147.76, as presented or amended.

Motion by Allen Burk seconded by Melissa Payne to approve the board agenda for the October 19, 2009, meeting as presented, the board minutes from the September 21, 2009, regular meeting as presented, and the bills payable for October 2009. Motion passed.

Andrews	- Yes	Payne	- Yes
Burk	- Yes	Wilk	- Yes
Koppleberger	- Yes	Wilson	- Yes
O'Dell	- Yes		

- General Fund-Revenue for Sept 2009, was \$237,532.01 with Expenditures of \$243,870.13
- General Fund-YTD Revenue \$321,359.12 with YTD Expenditures of \$743,019.33
- Hot Lunch Fund-Revenue for Sept 2009, was \$4986.60 with Expenditures of \$7,426.07
- Hot Lunch Fund- YTD Revenue \$6,830.83 with YTD Expenditures of \$17,145.02
- Athletic Fund- Revenue for Sept 2009, was \$4522.00 with Expenditures of \$13851.56
- Athletic Fund-YTD Revenue was \$8,111.50 with YTD Expenditures of \$22,336.08

7.0 Correspondence

None.

8.0 Student Body Recognition

Nathaniel Sperling and Jaclyn Cartwright gave update. Now that Homecoming is wrapped up, student council is working on Christmas week.

9.0 District Reports

Athletics – Mr. Holloway

- See attached.

PreK – 12 – Mr. Saylor

- Completed half of MEAP weeks. Next week is make-up week for MEAPs.
- Halloween parade on October 30, 2009, with fire truck and band participating.

District – Mr. Hughes

- Mr. Hughes discussed the Senate and State Aid funding. Another foundation cut of \$100/\$150 per pupil has been proposed.
- Grant of the Community Foundation for Motor Mom & Dad to stimulate the students from Pre-K to second grades.
- The ice machine needs to be repaired. Mr. Hughes asked the board how they want to proceed. The consensus of the board is to have the ice machine repaired. Mr. Hughes will contact Ernie Evans for another quote.
- The hours of the District Library were questioned. The Library is supposed to be open 10 hours beyond school hours. There was also question as to the accessibility of the library to students working on projects and whether they need to be supervised by a certified teacher. Mr. Hughes will meet with Ruth Steffen and discuss the hours and determine if we are in compliance.

Action Items:

10.0 MSAC Constitution

At the September Board Meeting Mr. Saylor and Mr. Holloway mentioned the changes to the Mid-State Activities Conference Constitution. Mr. Holloway will highlight those changes Monday evening for the board. The Executive Council of the league has approved the changes effective 9/1/09.

Recommended Action: The board approves the MSAC Constitution as presented.

Motion by Allen Burk seconded by Pat Wilk to approve the MSAC Constitution as presented. Motion passed.

Andrews	- Yes	Payne	- Yes
Burk	- Yes	Wilk	- Yes
Koppleberger	- Yes	Wilson	- Yes
O'Dell	- Yes		

11.0 Audit Presentation-Mr. Hirschmann to arrive at 8:00 p.m.

Bill Hirschmann from RPC Accounting Firm discussed the "Audit Presentation" handout. Financial statements with supplemental information as of June 30, 2009, were presented.

Recommended Action: The board accepts the audit as presented.

Motion by Pat Wilk seconded by Ron Koppleberger to accept the audit as presented. Motion passed.

Andrews	- Yes	Payne	- Yes
Burk	- Yes	Wilk	- Yes
Koppleberger	- Yes	Wilson	- Yes
O'Dell	- Yes		

12.0 Long Range Planning

The board has not completed the final step of Long-Range Planning. We now need to set priorities and identify goals. The Long-Range Planning Survey results were reviewed and the following were identified as top priorities:

1. Foreign Language Teacher
2. Class is outfitted with calculators 30/\$3000
3. Elementary class size
4. Latchkey / afterschool program
5. Resurfacing gym floor

No action was taken. Long-Range Planning will be discussed at next month's board meeting and action will be taken at that time.

Discussion Items:

13.0 Annual Election – November

Discussion took place regarding moving the annual school election to November. The change will take place in 2010.

14.0 Board Comments

- GIRESD responded to the advertisement for Technology Director. They would like to do it for a couple days a week at the cost of \$29,000 per year. The cost of some services may be negotiated since we are paying GIRESD as our Internet provider. It was determined to move forward and find out about cost, etc.
- There is concern regarding student's safety and a teacher's capability to teach. Mr. Hughes will keep the board updated.
- Mr. Wilk asked if anyone witnessed the parental outburst at the football game.
- Mr. Wilk commented on the budget and the planning and cutting of expenses and Mr. Hughes job of adjusting the budget.

15.0 Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.