

**Ashley Board of Education
Ashley Community Schools
Regular Meeting
Media Center
Monday, October 17, 2016
6:00 pm**

Members Present:

Anmarie Andrews, President
Tom Fabus, Vice-President
Cindy Wilson, Secretary
Steve Hardman, Trustee
Kurt Densmore, Treasurer
Clark Bowman, Trustee

Guests:

Sarah Frisbie
Lori Harmon

Jeff Rohrer, Superintendent
Traci Gavenda, Principal

Members Absent:

James Fabus, Trustee

1.0 Call to Order

Board President Andrews called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.

2.0 Pledge of Allegiance

3.0 Roll Call

All Board members were present with the exception of J. Fabus.

4.0 Community Foundation Presentation

Executive Director of the Gratiot County Community Foundation, Tina Travis, presented the Board of Education with a \$5,000 grant to help fund the security system that was recently installed in the school. To date the Gratiot County Community Foundation has awarded over \$220,000 to the community of Ashley.

5.0 High School Choir Presentation

The Ashley High School Choir led by Mr. Adrian Cervini sang three songs to honor Veteran Edward Paksi who was at the meeting to receive his High School Diploma.

6.0 Diploma Presentation

Veteran Edward Paksi was present to received his High School Diploma. Senator Judy Emmons read and presented Mr. Paksi with a certificate in his honor for his dedication in the Navy.

7.0 10-Minute Break

A short break was given for pictures and for those wishing to leave.

8.0 Audience Participation

None.

9.0 Student Recognition

Student Council members Nathan D., Maddie H. and Anna F. gave the Board an overview of homecoming week. Overall winners were:

1st Place – Juniors

2nd Place – Seniors

3rd Place – Freshmen

4th Place – Sophmores

They are planning a reward party for the Juniors. Student Council will be selling #1225 buttons at the Country Christmas events.

10.0 Audit Presentation

Derek Miller from RPC Accounting Firm presented the 2015-2016 draft audit. There are still some minor details that need to be finalized on the audit.

11.0 Approval of Consent Agenda

Motion by T. Fabus seconded by Hardman to approve the October 17, 2016, agenda, to approve the minutes of the September 19, 2016, meeting as presented, and to approve the bills for October. Motion passed.

Andrews	- Yes	T. Fabus	- Yes
Bowman	- Yes	Hardman	- Yes
Densmore	- Yes	Wilson	- Yes
J. Fabus	- Absent		

12.0 Correspondence

A letter was shared from the MHSAA congratulating Ashley Schools for no official complaints this past year.

13.0 District Reports

Athletics – Mr. Shaw

- Volleyball Parent’s Night October 20th vs. Fowler.
- Cross Country Regional October 29th at Shepherd.
- Middle School Boys’ basketball practice starts Monday, October 24th.
- Varsity Volleyball District game is Wednesday, November 2nd at 7:00 p.m. at Merrill. They will play the winner of Merrill and Fowler.
- JV/Varsity Girls’ basketball practice will begin Monday, November 7th.
- Freshman/JV/Varsity Boys’ basketball practice will begin Monday, November 14th.

PreK – 12 – Mrs. Gavenda

- Blood Drive Wednesday, October 19th from 10:00-3:34 p.m. in gyms.
- Cross Indicator Analysis audit in Special Education to bring attention to things that need improvement such as IEPs, evaluations done in a timely manner.
- Early childhood, age 3, evaluation needs to be done early.

District – Mr. Rohrer

- CIMS-Special education process
- See New Business

14.0 New Business

- **Budget**
 - Working on budget
 - Going back to using Purchase Orders
 - Meeting with GIRESD regarding technology
- **Negotiations**
- **Bond Update**
- **MASB Training Dates**
 - Three-hour training. The GIRESD will train and pay for it and do it on site at the school. Would like to include any new board members so will schedule in January.

Action Items:

15.0 Possible Additional Meeting – Evaluation

It was decided to have a Special Board Meeting on Tuesday, November 01, 2016, at 7:00 p.m.

Possible Additional Meeting/Board Workshop – Budget

The budget will be discussed in detail at the meeting on Tuesday, November 01, 2016.

Hire GSRP Associate Teacher (pending background check) – Nicole Weber

Motion by T. Fabus seconded by Densmore to hire Nicole Weber as the GSRP Associate Teacher. Motion passed.

Andrews	- Yes	T. Fabus	- Yes
Bowman	- Yes	Hardman	- Yes
Densmore	- Yes	Wilson	- Yes
J. Fabus	- Absent		

16.0 Board Comments

None.

17.0 Audience Participation

It was suggested that the Board approve the Alma Mater the choir wrote and sang earlier in the meeting.

Motion by T. Fabus seconded by Hardman to accept the Alma Mater as written. Motion passed.

Andrews	- Yes	T. Fabus	- Yes
Bowman	- Yes	Hardman	- Yes
Densmore	- Yes	Wilson	- Yes
J. Fabus	- Absent		

18.0 Upcoming Events

- October 20, 2016 – JV/Varsity Volleyball Parent’s Night. JV game at 5:30 vs. Fowler.
- October 26, 2016 – PD-2 hr. delay
- November 08, 2016 – NO SCHOOL – Teacher PD
- November 15, 2016 – NO SCHOOL – Deer Safety Day