

**Ashley Board of Education  
Ashley Community Schools  
Special Meeting  
Media Center  
Friday, May 20, 2016  
5:30 pm**

**Members Present:**

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

**Guests:**

Sandy Slowinski  
Roger Slavik  
Mike Burlingame  
Dee Smith  
Gratiot County Herald Reporter

Traci Gavenda, Principal  
Dr. Jan Amsterburg, GIRESD Superintendent  
Wendy Giles, GIRESD Administrative Assistant

I. Call to Order

Board President Andrews called the Special Board Meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. Recognition of Visitors and Public Comment

None.

III. Action Item

- Candidate Interviews
  - **Dr. Margie Baldwin**
    - Education / Experience
      - Public Relations
      - Fundraising / Marketing
      - Started at large church
      - Administrator / Doctorate Degrees
      - Private Schools vs. Public Schools
      - Family oriented / Similar sizes
    - Very calm, relaxed
    - Sharing and innovative is very important. Doing it in tandem if it needs to be changed, fix it.
  - **Jeff Rohrer**
    - Education / Experience
      - Alma High School Graduate
      - CMU – BS/MS

- Teacher / Principal
  - Carson City Crystal – Curriculum Director
  - Over 9 years as Principal
  - Election / Millage / Bond Experience
  - Chelsea School District until his children graduated from HS
  - Genesee School District Superintendent – worked with budget, learned school finance. Was a failing district – was able to cut \$1 million from a \$7 million budget.
  - Volunteers for Ski Patrol / Red Cross
  - Coming out of retirement because he misses using his skills and experience.
- Likes small districts to utilize his skills and experience
  - School finance
  - Budget
  - Curriculum
  - Community relationships
  - In education over 35 years with a lot of experience / problem solving

Motion by T. Fabus seconded by Hardman to enter closed session at 7:30 p.m. for deliberation of candidates. Motion passed.

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

Motion by Hardman seconded by J. Fabus to accept the closed session minutes. Motion passed.

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

#### IV. Discussion Items

Motion by T. Fabus seconded by Densmore to conduct second interviews with both candidates on Monday, June 06, 2016, at 6:00 pm and 7:30 pm as arranged by Dr. Amsterburg at the GIRESD. Motion passed.

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- V. Other  
The Board of Education Special Meeting adjourned at 8:26 p.m.