

**Ashley Board of Education  
Ashley Community Schools  
Regular Meeting  
Media Center  
Monday, March 16, 2015  
7:00 pm**

**Members Present:**

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

**Guests:**

Amber McAllister  
Denise Koppkeberger  
Brandee West  
Bryan, Julie, Derek, & Kara Moon  
Paul, Sandy, & Saige Slowinski

Tim Hughes, Superintendent  
Traci Gavenda, Principal  
Joe Shaw, Athletic Director

**Members Absent:**

Cindy Wilson, Secretary

**1.0 Call to Order**

Board President Andrews called the Board of Education Regular meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

**2.0 Pledge of Allegiance**

**3.0 Roll Call**

All Board members were present with the exception of Cindy Wilson.

**4.0 Audience Participation**

None.

**5.0 Student Recognition**

First grade teacher Mrs. Koppkeberger and students Gibby Jason and Derek Moon and fourth grade teacher Mrs. McAllister and students Saige Slowinski and Logan Drummond presented to the Board an overview of the planting of vegetables that has taken place in the greenhouse.

**6.0 Approval of Consent Agenda**

Motion by T. Fabus seconded by Hardman to approve the board agenda for the March 16, 2015, meeting as presented; to approve the board minutes from the February 16, 2015, regular meeting as presented; and to approve bills payable for March 2015, in the amount of \$189,201.05 as presented. Motion passed.

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

General Fund-Revenue for Feb 2015, was \$222,476.69 with Expenditures of \$176,840.16  
General Fund-YTD Revenue \$1,104,960.56 with YTD Expenditures of \$1,348,217.66  
Hot Lunch Fund-Revenue for Feb 2015, was \$14,397.87 with Expenditures of \$12,360.89  
Hot Lunch Fund- YTD Revenue \$72,031.43 YTD Expenditures of \$74,538.71

**7.0 Correspondence**

**8.0 Student Body Recognition**

The student body representative updated the Board on current district events:

- This week is Sprit Week

**9.0 District Reports**

Athletics – Mr. Shaw

- The girls’ basketball banquet will be Monday March 23 at 6:00 pm; the boys banquet will be Wednesday, March 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm.
- Thank you to all of those that volunteered their time to make basketball season a success.
- Baseball/softball season has started. First game is Thursday, March 26 at 4:00 pm at Merrill.
- Breckenridge votes on league admission tonight. If their Board accepts, Merrill and Breckenridge will become league members starting with the 2016-2017 school year.
- The basketball alumni games went well Saturday. Thanks to all those that organized, worked and played.

PreK – 12 – Mrs. Gavenda

- March is Reading Month
- Girls on the Run has started
- Received a portrait of George Washing to be hung in a public place
- Kindergarten Round-Up – 16 or 17 kids registered

District – Mr. Hughes

**Action Items:**

**10.0 Approve Coaching Staff Changes**

Motion by Hardman seconded by J. Fabus to accept the resignation of Brian Eyer and to approve the hiring of Daniel Craddock as Varsity Baseball Coach. Motion passed.

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

**11.0 Approve/Adopt Best Practices Resolution**

During the 2014-2015 school year the State of Michigan is providing incentive funding for what they have determined are best practices. The district will receive \$50/student funding based on meeting the prescribed Best Practices.

Motion by Hardman seconded by T. Fabus to approve the Best Practices Resolution as presented. Motion passed.

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

**12.0 Approve Budget Revision**

There are several changes financially that warrant the Board's approval on a new budget that is more accurate.

Motion by T. Fabus seconded by Densmore to approve the Budget Revision as presented. Motion passed.

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

**13.0 Approve Revised Deficit Reduction Plan**

With the revision of our budget, we also need to approve a matching Deficit Elimination Plan.

Motion by T. Fabus seconded by J. Fabus to approve the Deficit Elimination Plan as presented. Motion passed.

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

**Discussion Items:**

**14.0 Board Comments**

- Request was made to move the May Board meeting to May 19, 2015, at 7:00 p.m.

**15.0 Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.