

**Ashley Board of Education
Ashley Community Schools
Regular Meeting
Media Center
Monday, April 20, 2015
7:00 pm**

Members Present:

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

Guests:

Charles Clevenger
Amber McAllister

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

Members Absent:

Tom Fabus, Vice-President

1.0 Call to Order

Board President Andrews called the Board of Education Regular meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

2.0 Pledge of Allegiance

3.0 Roll Call

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

4.0 Audience Participation

None.

5.0 Student Recognition

Several 1st-4th grade students who were top readers during March is Reading Month were recognized.

6.0 Approval of Consent Agenda

Motion by Hardman seconded by J. Fabus to approve the board agenda for the April 20, 2015, meeting as amended to include agenda item 11.1 Trading Days Little League All-Star Game; to approve the board minutes from the March 16, 2015, regular meeting as presented; and to approve bills payable for April 2015, in the amount of \$240,048.27 as presented. Motion passed.

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

General Fund-Revenue for Mar 2015, was \$272,334.86 with Expenditures of \$226,084.13

General Fund-YTD Revenue \$1,377,295.42 with YTD Expenditures of \$1,574,301.79

Hot Lunch Fund-Revenue for Mar 2015, was \$14,094.18 with Expenditures of \$13,964.04

Hot Lunch Fund- YTD Revenue \$86,125.41 YTD Expenditures of \$88,502.75

7.0 Correspondence

None.

8.0 Student Body Recognition

The student body representative was not available to update the Board on the current district events.

9.0 District Reports

Athletics – Mr. Shaw

- Baseball and softball seasons have started. Would like to thank Mike for all the work he has done to make the fields ready to play.
- Baseball and softball districts will be May 30th at Merrill. Draw to be announced.
- Thank you to Ashley Sports Boosters for their purchase of all the new baseball equipment and uniforms.
- The Annual Sports Boosters Golf Outing will be June 13th at the North Star Golf Course.
- Mrs. Harmon has officially resigned as the JV Girls Basketball Coach.

PreK – 12 – Mrs. Gavenda

- M-Step testing has begun. Testing is being done on the computers.
- April 23 – NHS will be having a drinking/driving/prom presentation during 5th-7th hours.
- April 24 – MSAC Talent Review – all league schools invited.
- April 25 – Prom “Under the Sea” from 6:00 pm – 11:30 pm at Agro-Culture Liquid Fertilizer in St. Johns.
- May 02 – Greenhouse opens to purchase plants and flowers.
- May 20 – High School Awards Night @ 6:30 pm

District – Mr. Hughes

- Upcoming vote on May 5th – Proposal 1 – additional funding for Michigan schools and protection of the school aid fund.
- Seniors approached Mr. Hughes about having graduation outside this year. No decision has been made yet.
- Monsanto Agricultural Grant – recommended again this year - \$25,000.
- Mr. Hughes received a thank-you from former staff member Mike Watson. He read the article on M-Live and expressed he was very proud of Ashley Schools.

Action Items:

10.0 Accept Resignation

Jennifer Passmore-Gilpin has submitted a letter of resignation as a Pre-School parapro (Associate Teacher) effective 4/16/2015.

Motion by Hardman seconded by J. Fabus to accept the resignation of Jennifer Passmore-Gilpin from Ashley Schools. Motion passed.

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

11.0 Trading Days Fireworks Request

The Trading Days Committee is again asking approval to allow the use of school athletic fields for the Trading Days Fireworks. The request was granted last year and there were not issues.

Motion by J. Fabus seconded by Hardman to approve the use of the athletic facilities by the Ashley Trading Days Committee for fireworks display, meeting the set forth requirements. Motion passed.

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

11.1 Trading Days Little League All-Star Game

Motion by Hardman seconded by Densmore to approve the use of the high school softball field for the Little League All-Star game during Trading Days. Motion passed.

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

12.0 Closed Session - Negotiations

Motion by _____ seconded by _____ to go to closed session for the purpose of discussing Collective Bargaining Strategies. Motion passed.

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

The board adjourned at 7:40 pm to closed session.

The board reconvened at 8:31 pm to open session.

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

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

Discussion Items:

13.0 Board Comments

14.0 Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:32 pm.