

**Ashley Board of Education  
Ashley Community Schools  
Regular Meeting  
Media Center  
Monday, December 19, 2022  
7:00 pm**

**Members Present:**

Kurt Densmore, President  
Cindy Wilson, Secretary  
Ashleigh Shaw, Treasurer  
Lynne Burlingame, Trustee  
Dustin Crumbaugh, Trustee

**Guests:**

Jeff Reser  
Joe Smolka  
Lucas Studt  
Carrie Juhas

Traci Gavenda, Superintendent/HS Principal  
Stephanie Combs, K-8 Principal/Pre-K Director

**Members Absent:**

Steve Hardman, Vice-President  
Stephanie Throop, Trustee

**1.0 Call to Order**

The Regular Meeting was called to order by President Densmore at 7:00 pm.

**2.0 Pledge of Allegiance**

**3.0 Roll Call**

Members Present: Densmore, Wilson, Burlingame, Crumbaugh, Shaw  
Members Absent: Hardman, Throop

**4.0 Audience Participation**

Carrie Juhas requested an update on Bookworms. Mrs. Juhas expressed her frustration with the lengthy process and with teacher.

**5.0 Approval of Consent Agenda**

Motion by Shaw seconded by Crumbaugh to approve the December 19, 2022, Regular Meeting agenda as presented; approve the November 21, 2022, Regular Meeting minutes as presented, and approve the bills presented. Motion passed.

Burlingame	-	Yes	Shaw	-	Yes
Crumbaugh	-	Yes	Throop	-	Absent
Densmore	-	Yes	Wilson	-	Yes
Hardman	-	Absent			

**6.0 Correspondence**

None.

**7.0 District Reports**

Athletics – Mr. Cartwright

- Winter Sports
  - Boys and Girls Varsity play tonight. Tipoff at 5:00 pm.
  - Boys and Girls Varsity basketball play at Bay city on Thursday.
  - MS Boys basketball will begin after winter break.

- Spring Sports
  - League gold schedule is complete and will begin looking for a golf coach.
  - Finishing up baseball and softball non-league schedule.
- No news on the NCTL league. They are still working through the merger possibility and not accepting anyone new in the league at this time. Hoping to have some update after tonight's game if there has been anymore movement.
- Queen of Hearts Progressive Raffle and Can Wagon have been successful and will continue to generate funds for athletics. Queen of Hearts drawing is tonight at 7:00 pm.
- Flippgive information has been re-posted as it continues to gain revenue for athletics directly benefiting athletes.
- Farwell, Morrice, Webberville, and Portland St. Pats are asking to join the MSAC for 8-man football only. All 8-man schools in the league have said yes except Montabella and Coleman, who hasn't voted yet. Carson City is going to 8-man football next year. This doesn't affect us as we are in the NCTL for football.
- Morrice has applied to the MSAC to become a full league member. They sent a letter to the league last week. Webberville and Farwell will most likely ask the league to join fully as well in the coming weeks. No action has taken place as it is in the beginning stages for discussion amongst admin and boards.
- Reconditioning for football will be picked up by Riddell on Thursday.

#### Pre-K-8 – Ms. Combs

- Thank you again for the delicious breakfast on December 8. It was a nice way to kick off the Christmas holiday.
- There have been holiday dress-up days for Pre-K through 12<sup>th</sup> grade students, as well as staff for the month of December. It has been fun seeing the holiday spirit from ALL!
- End of the first marking period is December 22, 2022.
- Preschool and Elementary:
  - 12/21/22 – Holiday concert with two performances (one during school day starting at 9:00 a.m. and one in the evening starting at 6:00 p.m.).
  - 12/22/22 – Holiday parties are taking place in the classrooms.
- Middle School:
  - Exams 12/20, 12/21, and 12/22.
  - Students will be receiving schedules for next semester this week.

#### 9 – 12 – Mrs. Gavenda

- RESD – Internet updates finished last weekend.
- Meeting with students to complete schedules for January.
- Exams start tomorrow with 7<sup>th</sup> hour.
- Doors decorates for Christmas.

#### District – Mrs. Gavenda

- Received over \$15,000 from Gratiot Community Foundation.
- We have another lead for used bus from neighboring district.

## 8.0 New Business

None.

**9.0 Action Items**

**Bank Account Changes:**

Motion by Burlingame seconded by Shaw to remove Anmarie Bradley from all Mercantile Bank Signature Cards (General Fund-2601) that she is currently on for Ashley Community Schools. Motion passed.

Burlingame	-	Yes	Shaw	-	Yes
Crumbaugh	-	Yes	Throop	-	Absent
Densmore	-	Yes	Wilson	-	Yes
Hardman	-	Absent			

Motion by Burlingame seconded by Shaw to remove Ben Engelter from Day/Night Depository Agreement between Mercantile Bank and Ashley Community Schools, and remove from Internet Banking (Payroll-3701). Motion passed.

Burlingame	-	Yes	Shaw	-	Yes
Crumbaugh	-	Yes	Throop	-	Absent
Densmore	-	Yes	Wilson	-	Yes
Hardman	-	Absent			

Motion by Burlingame seconded by Shaw to add Amber Hinterman to the following Mercantile Bank Signature Cards (Food Service-9201, 04 (14) Bond Debt-4235, 17 Bond Debt-3099, Money Market-2116, General Fund-2601, Payroll-3701, Flex Savings-9907, Activities-8101) for Ashley Community Schools. Motion passed.

Burlingame	-	Yes	Shaw	-	Yes
Crumbaugh	-	Yes	Throop	-	Absent
Densmore	-	Yes	Wilson	-	Yes
Hardman	-	Absent			

Motion by Burlingame seconded by Crumbaugh to add Ashleigh Shaw to the following Mercantile Bank Signature Cards (Food Service-9201, 04 (14) Bond Debt-4235, 17 Bond Debt-3099, Money Market-2116, General Fund-2601; Flex Savings-9907) for Ashley Community Schools. Motion passed.

Burlingame	-	Yes	Shaw	-	Yes
Crumbaugh	-	Yes	Throop	-	Absent
Densmore	-	Yes	Wilson	-	Yes
Hardman	-	Absent			

**Approve one-time payment of \$600 over regular schedule/non-recurring stipend for teachers to be paid January 27, 2023.**

Motion by Crumbaugh seconded by Wilson to approve one-time payment of \$600 over regular schedule/non-recurring stipend for teachers to be paid January 27, 2023. Motion passed.

Burlingame	-	Yes	Shaw	-	Abstain
Crumbaugh	-	Yes	Throop	-	Absent
Densmore	-	Yes	Wilson	-	Yes
Hardman	-	Absent			

**10.0 Audience Participation**

None.

**11.0 Board Comments**

None.

**12.0 Executive Session – Staffing**

The Board went into Executive Session at 7:45 p.m.  
 The Board reconvened to Regular Session at 8:30 p.m.

Motion by Shaw seconded by Crumbaugh to approve Executive Session minutes. Motion passed.

Burlingame	-	Yes	Shaw	-	Yes
Crumbaugh	-	Yes	Throop	-	Absent
Densmore	-	Yes	Wilson	-	Yes
Hardman	-	Absent			

Motion by Shaw seconded by Crumbaugh to approve one-time payment of \$600 over regular schedule/non-recurring stipend for non-teaching staff to be paid on January 27, 2023.

Burlingame	-	Abstain	Shaw	-	Yes
Crumbaugh	-	Yes	Throop	-	Absent
Densmore	-	Yes	Wilson	-	Yes
Hardman	-	Absent			

**13.0 Upcoming Events**

- December 18, 2022 – Band Concert
- December 21, 2022 – Elementary PTO Christmas Program (9:00 am & 6:00 pm)
- December 23-January 03, 2023 – Holiday Break

**14.0 Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.