

**Ashley Board of Education
Ashley Community Schools
Regular Meeting
Media Center
Monday, October 17, 2022
7:00 pm**

Members Present:

Kurt Densmore, President
Steve Hardman, Vice-President
Cindy Wilson, Secretary
Ashleigh Shaw, Treasurer
Dustin Crumbaugh, Trustee @ 7:06 pm
Lynne Burlingame, Trustee
Stefanie Throop, Trustee

Guests:

Sarah Stewart
Zack Throop
Amber Hinterman
Tom Keller
Joe Shaw
Carrie Juhas

Traci Gavenda, Superintendent/HS Principal
Stephanie Combs, K-8 Principal/Pre-K Director
Marty Cartwright, Dean of Students/AD

1.0 Call to Order

The Regular Meeting was called to order by President Densmore at 6:58 p.m.

2.0 Pledge of Allegiance

3.0 Roll Call

Members Present: Densmore, Hardman, Wilson, Burlingame, Crumbaugh, Shaw, Throop
Members Absent: None

4.0 Audience Participation

None.

5.0 Approval of Consent Agenda

Motion by Hardman seconded by Shaw to approve the October 17, 2022, agenda as presented; approve the September 12, 2022, Regular meeting minutes as presented; approve the bills. Motion passed.

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

6.0 Correspondence

None.

7.0 District Reports

Athletics – Mr. Cartwright

- Fall sports are wrapping up
 - JV Volleyball last game 10/29/22
 - MS Volleyball last game is Wednesday
 - Varsity football last game is Friday
 - Cross country last regular season meet is Wednesday

- Winter schedules are just waiting on numbers to see what levels we have for basketball
 - Girls MS has a meeting Thursday.
 - Coaches need to have meetings for boys and girls to know numbers as soon as possible.
- NCTL has been taken to their superintendents; we should hopefully know more tomorrow after the NCTL AD meeting.

Pre-K-8 – Ms. Combs

- Pre-K was awarded a grant from the MDE this year.
- Elementary did walking field trip to the Fire Department.
- Halloween parties are scheduled for Friday, October 28, 2022.
- Mr. Barr started MS Robotics Team.
- Students going to Delta College on November 02, 2022 to see Treasure Island. Weston Smith will be in the production.
- Began tutoring again.
- PTO organized a penny donation. Kids are having fun with it.

9 – 12 / District – Mrs. Gavenda

- Marking period ends Friday, October 21, 2022.
- Memorial plaques placed outside of the gym entrance and one in the gym.
- Still looking for a Guidance Counselor. The position has been reposted.
- Homecoming went well. A lot of people liked the Saturday for a change. Refs were available, tailgates and activities between the parade and game.
- Reviewed B.E.A.R.S. and Bear Community Standards.
- MSU College of Education for Rural Schools – teacher recruitment/retention, Broadband, WiFi, housing. Conference in November.
- Librarian, Tammy Fath, is working on a grant for the summer program.
- 98C grant learning-loss.
- Should hear about the electric bill grant at end of the month.
- Exit doors are installed. Drywallers here today; looking good.

8.0 Executive Session – Negotiations

At 7:34 p.m., the Board adjourned to Executive Session.

The Board reconvened to Regular Session at 7:45 p.m.

Motion by Hardman seconded by Burlingame to accept the Executive Session minutes.
Motion passed.

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

9.0 Ratify the AEA Contract

Motion by Hardman seconded by Burlingame to ratify the AEA Contract as presented.
Motion passed.

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

10.0 New Business

- Audit Presentation – RPC
 - Reviewed short version of audit dated June 30, 2022.
 - Fund equity recommendation is between 8%-12%; for smaller districts 15% is recommended. Management has agreed that Ashley Schools should be at 20% fund equity.

- Budget Revision Presentation – Amber Hinterman, Business Manager
 - Reviewed changes that affect the budget
 - Child Care Stabilization Grant
 - Foundation Allowance
 - \$39,568 decrease
 - Two staff left; replaced with newer staff
 - Upcoming Changes
 - New grant application
 - Section 98
 - Section 97
 - Section 31aa
 - Child Care Stabilization
 - Staff changes
 - Staff stipends
 - Are of Focus
 - One-time funding
 - Staffing costs
 - Declining enrollment
 - Transportation costs
 - Economic climate

- 98C Grant – Amber Hinterman & Traci Gavenda working on grant to address learning loss and possible areas to address.
 - Tutoring
 - Student Success Coach
 - Math Intervention
 - Curriculum supports/activities to support and engage student and decrease learning loss.
 - Summer School Programs

11.0 Action Items

Approve the 2021-2022 Financial Audit as presented

Motion by Hardman seconded by Shaw to approve the 2021-2022 Financial Audit as presented. Motion passed.

Revenues: \$3,255,055
Expenditures: \$1,780,708
Fund Balance: \$ 632,365
Fund Equity %: 19.4%

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

Approve the 2022-2023 Budget Revision

Motion by Hardman seconded by Burlingame to approve the 2022-2023 Budget Revision. Motion passed:

Revenues: \$3,772,974
Expenditures: \$2,110,860
Fund Balance: \$ 657,723
Fund Equity %: 17.4%

12.0 Audience Participation

None

13.0 Board Comments

None.

14.0 Executive Session – Superintendent Evaluation

At 8:30 p.m., the Board adjourned to Executive Session.

The Board reconvened to Regular Session at 9:30 p.m.

Motion by Hardman seconded by Burlingame to accept the Executive Session minutes. Motion passed.

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

15.0 Upcoming Events

- November 08, 2022, Staff PD - No School for Students
- November 15, 2022, Safety Day – No School for Students & Staff

16.0 Adjournment

The regular meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m.