

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE ASHLEY COMMUNITY  
CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT #15 BOARD MEETING**

**REGULAR MEETING  
NOVEMBER 23, 2015**

Board President Jeff Stern called the regular board meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Members present: Jeff Stern, Andy Rynski, Donna Hicks and Jeff Pelka. Members absent: Terry Schettler, Ross Schultze and Tammy Ebert.

Board President Jeff Stern appointed Donna Hicks secretary pro tem due to the absence of Tammy Ebert.

Motion made by Jeff Pelka and seconded by Andy Rynski to approve consent agenda.

Aye

Jeff Stern  
Andy Rynski  
Jeff Pelka  
Donna Hicks

Nay

Abstain

Absent

Ross Schultze  
Terry Schettler  
Tammy Ebert

Motion carried: 4-0.

Public Recognition: Margie Clark, Julie Brake, Melanie Coultas, Chrystal Barbee, Rachel Copus, Conner Pabst, Bob Pabst, Rod Sides, Amanda Haring and Shawn Cooper.

Motion made by Jeff Stern and seconded by Donna Hicks to enter closed session at 5:54 p.m. for the purpose of considering the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees or legal counsel of the public body, or to hear testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee or against legal counsel to determine its validity, student disciplinary cases, the placement of individual student(s) in special education program(s) and other matters relating to individual student(s).

Aye

Jeff Stern  
Andy Rynski  
Jeff Pelka  
Donna Hicks

Nay

Abstain

Absent

Ross Schultze  
Terry Schettler  
Tammy Ebert

Motion carried: 4-0.

Motion made by Jeff Stern and seconded by Andy Rynski to return to public session at 6:54 p.m.

<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Jeff Stern			Ross Schultze
Andy Rynski			Terry Schettler
Jeff Pelka			Tammy Ebert
Donna Hicks			

Motion carried: 4-0.

Motion made by Jeff Stern and seconded by Jeff Pelka to approve the closed session minutes of November 23, 2015 as read in closed session.

<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Jeff Stern			Ross Schultze
Andy Rynski			Terry Schettler
Jeff Pelka			Tammy Ebert
Donna Hicks			

Motion carried: 4-0.

Discussion was held regarding volunteer volleyball coach/coaches and tabled until the December meeting.

Motion made by Jeff Stern and seconded by Andy Rynski to adopt IASB Press Policies, Exhibits, and Procedures 2:250-AP2, 2:250-E2, 2:250-E3, 2:260-AP1 and 2:260-AP2.

<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Jeff Stern			Ross Schultze
Andy Rynski			Terry Schettler
Jeff Pelka			Tammy Ebert
Donna Hicks			

Motion carried: 4-0.

Motion made by Jeff Stern and seconded by Andy Rynski to adopt the tax levy for 2015 (payable in 2016) as presented. The total tax levy is in the amount of \$623,727.50. This is a 5.12% increase over the previous year.

<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Jeff Stern			Ross Schultze
Andy Rynski			Terry Schettler
Jeff Pelka			Tammy Ebert
Donna Hicks			

Motion carried: 4-0.

Motion made by Jeff Pelka and seconded by Andy Rynski to set the tax levy hearing for 5:15 p.m. on December 14, 2015.

Aye

Jeff Stern  
Andy Rynski  
Jeff Pelka  
Donna Hicks

Nay

Abstain

Absent

Ross Schultze  
Terry Schettler  
Tammy Ebert

Motion carried: 4-0.

Motion made by Jeff Stern and seconded by Donna Hicks to approve MJ Mowing to mow the school grounds during the 2016 mowing season. Cost will be \$100 per mowing.

Aye

Jeff Stern  
Andy Rynski  
Jeff Pelka  
Donna Hicks

Nay

Abstain

Absent

Ross Schultze  
Terry Schettler  
Tammy Ebert

Motion carried: 4-0.

Motion made by Jeff Stern and seconded by Andy Rynski to approve a Christmas bonus payment of \$25 for 17 staff members. Total payments will equal \$425.

Aye

Jeff Stern  
Andy Rynski  
Jeff Pelka  
Donna Hicks

Nay

Abstain

Absent

Ross Schultze  
Terry Schettler  
Tammy Ebert

Motion carried: 4-0.

Motion made by Jeff Stern and seconded by Jeff Pelka to appoint Ross Schultze, Terry Schettler and Tammy Ebert to the Advisory Committee.

Aye

Jeff Stern  
Andy Rynski  
Jeff Pelka  
Donna Hicks

Nay

Abstain

Absent

Ross Schultze  
Terry Schettler  
Tammy Ebert

Motion carried: 4-0.

Motion made by Jeff Stern and seconded by Andy Rynski to approve the 2016 calendar year Southern Illinois Jr. High School Athletic Association (SIJHSAA) Intent to Play Card. Total cost is \$240.00.

Aye

Jeff Stern  
Andy Rynski  
Jeff Pelka  
Donna Hicks

Nay

Abstain

Absent

Ross Schultze  
Terry Schettler  
Tammy Ebert

Motion carried: 4-0.

Motion made by Jeff Stern and seconded by Jeff Pelka to approve the date of December 16, 2015 at 2:00 p.m. for the Christmas program.

Aye

Jeff Stern  
Andy Rynski  
Jeff Pelka  
Donna Hicks

Nay

Abstain

Absent

Ross Schultze  
Terry Schettler  
Tammy Ebert

Motion carried: 4-0.

Motion made by Jeff Stern and seconded by Jeff Pelka to approve one team (and no more than two teams if enough interest is shown) of 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders to participate in the Regional Office of Education's Team Quest competition. The competition will be held on January 27, 2016. Total cost is \$125 per team of four students.

Aye

Jeff Stern  
Andy Rynski  
Jeff Pelka  
Donna Hicks

Nay

Abstain

Absent

Ross Schultze  
Terry Schettler  
Tammy Ebert

Motion carried: 4-0.

Motion made by Jeff Stern and seconded by Andy Rynski to approve the Jr. High (6-8) dance for February 12, 2015 in the school gym from 6-8 p.m. The PTO will sponsor the dance.

Aye

Jeff Stern  
Andy Rynski  
Jeff Pelka  
Donna Hicks

Nay

Abstain

Absent

Ross Schultze  
Terry Schettler  
Tammy Ebert

Motion carried: 4-0.

Motion made by Jeff Stern and seconded by Jeff Pelka to authorize the superintendent to obtain estimates regarding items in the ROE Health/Life Safety Report.

Aye

Jeff Stern  
Andy Rynski  
Jeff Pelka  
Donna Hicks

Nay

Abstain

Absent

Ross Schultze  
Terry Schettler  
Tammy Ebert

Motion carried: 4-0.

Motion made by Jeff Stern and seconded by Jeff Pelka to approve the construction of a concrete sidewalk at the PreK building. John Schettler has volunteered to construct the sidewalk. The Board of Education has authorized up to \$1,000 to assist in the purchase of needed material(s) to complete construction.

Aye

Jeff Stern  
Andy Rynski  
Jeff Pelka  
Donna Hicks

Nay

Abstain

Absent

Ross Schultze  
Terry Schettler  
Tammy Ebert

Motion carried: 4-0.

Motion made by Jeff Stern and seconded by Ross Schultze to approve the first reading of IASB Press Policies, Exhibits, and Procedures 2:100, 2:220, 4:120, 4:120AP and 5:90.

Aye

Jeff Stern  
Andy Rynski  
Jeff Pelka  
Donna Hicks

Nay

Abstain

Absent

Ross Schultze  
Terry Schettler  
Tammy Ebert

Motion carried: 4-0.

Superintendent's Report: Student enrollment K-8 134, Off-Campus 2, PreK 19 for a total of 155, which is an increase of 8 from the October report.

Mr. Hodge reminded the board that the Ashley High School reunion will be held November 28 from 11 am to 3 pm. The tarp will be put down. Trophies from the high school era will be on display. If an attendee would like to have a trophy, he/she is welcome to do so free of charge. Culbertson Heating and Air-Conditioning was here to inspect our heating assemblies. Assemblies were cleaned and inspected. All units are working properly at this time. Total bill was \$738.

Mr. Hodge reported to the board the most recent Washington County tax distribution. Discussion was also held regarding additional Title I funds for our district. A mobile computer lab was discussed.

Johnny and Wendy Smith are trying to annex back into Ashley Grade School District from the Waltonville School District. There is an annexation hearing December 1, 2015 at 6:30 pm at the Regional Office of Education building (Mt. Vernon).

Girls basketball games for the month of December are as follows: 7<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> (home), 12<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> (home). Our boys basketball invitational tournament was canceled due to a lack of teams. I was able to replace the tournament with two regular season games – December 1 at Hoyleton Trinity/Grand Prairie and December 3 at home versus Hoffman Trinity. Their remaining games for this calendar year are as follows: November 24<sup>th</sup> (home), December 8<sup>th</sup> (home), December 14<sup>th</sup> (home), December 15<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup>. Scholar bowl practice has begun. Parent/teacher conferences were held on October 29. We had approximately 75-80% parent/guardian attendance.

Motion made by Jeff Stern and seconded by Jeff Pelka to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

Aye

Jeff Stern  
Andy Rynski  
Jeff Pelka  
Donna Hicks

Nay

Abstain

Absent

Ross Schultze  
Terry Schettler  
Tammy Ebert

Motion carried: 4-0.

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Board President

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Board Secretary