

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

Board President Jeff Stern called the regular board meeting to order at 5:30 pm. Members present: Jeff Stern, Terry Schettler, Candace Reid, Nancy Janowski, Jennifer Zgonina and Jason Wisniewski. Member absent: None.

Motion made by Terry Schettler and seconded by Nancy Janowski to approve consent agenda.

<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Jeff Stern			
Terry Schettler			
Candace Reid			
Nancy Janowski			
Jennifer Zgonina			
Jason Wisniewski			

Motion carried: 6-0

Public Recognition: Angela Smith was present.

Motion made by Jeff Stern and seconded by Nancy Janowski to approve the second reading of IASB Press Policies, Exhibits, and Procedures 5:120E, 5:130, 5:130AP, 5:140, 5:170, 5:170AP1, 5:170AP2, 5:170AP3, 5:170AP4, 5:170E1 and 5:180.

<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Jeff Stern			
Terry Schettler			
Candace Reid			
Nancy Janowski			
Jennifer Zgonina			
Jason Wisniewski			

Motion carried: 6-0

Motion made by Jeff Stern and seconded by Jennifer Zgonina to approve the Christmas program to be held on December 18, 2024 at 10:00 am. The program will be recorded/live-streamed.

<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Jeff Stern			
Terry Schettler			
Candace Reid			
Nancy Janowski			
Jennifer Zgonina			
Jason Wisniewski			

Motion carried: 6-0

Motion made by Jeff Stern and seconded by Jason Wisniewski to authorize Superintendent Brian Hodge to apply for the FY2025 Round 1 School Maintenance Project Grant with matching funds to be utilized from the Operations/Maintenance Fund.

<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Jeff Stern			
Terry Schettler			
Candace Reid			
Nancy Janowski			
Jennifer Zgonina			
Jason Wisniewski			

Motion carried: 6-0

Motion made by Jeff Stern and seconded by Candace Reid to set the date for the Administrative Cost Waiver Hearing for November 18, 2024 at 5:25 pm.

<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Jeff Stern			
Terry Schettler			
Candace Reid			
Nancy Janowski			
Jennifer Zgonina			
Jason Wisniewski			

Motion carried: 6-0

Motion made by Terry Schettler and seconded by Jennifer Zgonina to approve the first reading of IASB Press Policies, Exhibits, and Procedures 2:160, 2:160-E, 5:20-AP, 5:20-E, 5:100-AP, 5:110, 7:10-AP1, 7:10-E, 7:185, 7:185-E and 7:280.

<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Jeff Stern			
Terry Schettler			
Candace Reid			
Nancy Janowski			
Jennifer Zgonina			
Jason Wisniewski			

Motion carried: 6-0

Motion made by Jeff Stern and seconded by Terry Schettler to enter into closed session at 5:36 pm 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).

<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	<u>Absent</u>
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Jeff Stern
Terry Schettler
Candace Reid
Nancy Janowski
Jennifer Zgonina
Jason Wisniewski

Motion carried: 6-0

Motion made by Jeff Stern and seconded by Terri Schettler to return to public session at 5:47 pm.

<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	<u>Absent</u>
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Jeff Stern
Terry Schettler
Candace Reid
Nancy Janowski
Jennifer Zgonina
Jason Wisniewski

Motion carried: 6-0

Motion made by Jeff Stern and seconded by Jason Wisniewski to approve the closed session minutes dated September 23, 2024 as read in closed session.

<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	<u>Absent</u>
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Jeff Stern
Terry Schettler
Candace Reid
Nancy Janowski
Jennifer Zgonina
Jason Wisniewski

Motion carried: 6-0

Superintendent Report: Student enrollment – K-8 112, PreK 16, and Off Campus 4, for a total of 132. This is an increase of 1 from the September report. Mt. Vernon Overhead Door Company has been contacted regarding the bus barn overhead door openers. A quote for two openers amounted to \$2,200.00 (parts and labor). A worker came Friday to get started, but informed me he would have to do some carpentry work in order to install the openers. Parent/Teacher conferences were held October 24. The Mt. Vernon Conference was held October 25. The Washington County second property tax distribution was \$496,784.64, and the third distribution was \$157,872.76. Fire alarm testing was done last Friday. Our district's 2024 annual summative designation was commendable. This designation took into account items such as ELA/Math growth, ELA/Math proficiency, Science proficiency and chronic absenteeism. Discussion was held regarding Brain Games. As has been done in the past, our district will send at least

one team (7th and 8th graders) and two teams if there's enough interest shown. Our shooter drill was held October 18. Washington County Deputy Howard was on hand to help facilitate the drill. There were no student opt-outs. We also had a fire drill (with fire department participation) on October 11 and a bus drill on October 7. Discussion was held regarding weapon detectors. A newspaper article indicated that Centralia City Schools had approved the purchase of these detectors, and the board authorized Mr. Hodge to gather more information regarding these detectors. Discussion was held regarding the recent ROE13 Health Life Safety visit. As part of this visit, Clinton Electric was called to install a new circuit and GFI for the district washing machine and two new duplex receptacles to the existing circuit in the computer lab. Fourteen staff members elected to receive flu shots. Congratulations to Wade Zgonina! Wade recently competed in the Class S State Cross Country meet at DuQuoin State Fairgrounds. Wade placed 54th out of 132 runners. The basketball season has begun. Boys and girls are on the same team, and we have 21 players (9 girls; 12 boys). We play this week in the Tamaroa/St. Bruno tournament. The new basketball uniforms are in. As of this moment, I have no price. The basketball fund will contribute \$592.26. It has been respectfully requested that the board approve the purchase of new volleyball uniforms. The stipulations for these uniforms are that they be long sleeved and no short shorts. The volleyball fund will contribute \$847.12 toward the uniforms.

Motion made by Jason Wisniewski and seconded by Jeff Stern to adjourn the meeting at 6:06 pm.

<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Jeff Stern			
Terry Schettler			
Candace Reid			
Nancy Janowski			
Jennifer Zgonina			
Jason Wisniewski			

Motion carried: 6-0

Board President

Board Secretary