

**Ashley Board of Education
Ashley Community Schools
Organizational Meeting
Media Center
Monday, July 24, 2017
6:45 pm**

Members Present:

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

Guests:

Jeff Rohrer, Superintendent
Traci Gavenda, Principal

Members Absent:

1.0 Call to Order

Board President Andrews called the Organizational Board Meeting to order at 6:52 p.m.

2.0 Pledge of Allegiance

3.0 Roll Call

All Board members were present.

4.0 Audience Participation

None

5.0 Election of Officers

The board is required by law to hold an Organizational Meeting prior to its regular meeting and elect officers to serve for the 2017-2018 academic year.

5.1 President

Board Member Andrews was nominated for President
Motion by Hardman supported by Densmore to close nominations.

Roll call vote:

Andrews - Abstain

Bowman - Yes

Densmore - Yes

Fabus - Yes

Hardman - Yes

Schneider - Yes

Wilson - Yes

5.2 Vice-President

Board Member Hardman was nominated for Vice-President
Motion by Schneider supported Bowman to close nominations.

Roll call vote:

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| Andrews - Yes | Hardman - Abstain |
| Bowman - Yes | Schneider - Yes |
| Densmore - Yes | Wilson - Yes |
| Fabus - Yes | |

5.3 Secretary

Board Member Wilson was nominated for Secretary.
Motion by Fabus supported by Densmore to close nominations.

Roll call vote:

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| Andrews - Yes | Hardman - Yes |
| Bowman - Yes | Schneider - Yes |
| Densmore - Yes | Wilson - Abstain |
| Fabus - Yes | |

5.4 Treasurer

Board Member Densmore was nominated for Treasurer
Motion by Fabus supported by Bowman to close nominations.

Roll call vote:

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| Andrews - Yes | Hardman - Yes |
| Bowman - Yes | Schneider - Yes |
| Densmore - Abstain | Wilson - Yes |
| Fabus - Yes | |

6.0 Establishment of Agenda Format

Motion by Bowman supported by Fabus to approve the current agenda format for the 2017-2018 school year.

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| Andrews | - Yes | Hardman | - Yes |
| Bowman | - Yes | Schneider | - Yes |
| Densmore | - Yes | Wilson | - Yes |
| Fabus | - Yes | | |

7.0 Approval of Routine Business Operations and Designates

7.1 Recommended Action: The board adopts current **board policies and by-laws** as presented.

Motion by Wilson supported by Densmore to adopt the current board policies and by-laws as presented. Motion passed.

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| Andrews | - Yes | Hardman | - Yes |
| Bowman | - Yes | Schneider | - Yes |
| Densmore | - Yes | Wilson | - Yes |
| Fabus | - Yes | | |

7.2 Recommended Action: The board adopts the **Public Participation Procedures** as written and established.

Motion by Wilson supported by Densmore to adopt the current board policies and by-laws as presented. Motion passed.

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| Andrews | - Yes | Hardman | - Yes |
| Bowman | - Yes | Schneider | - Yes |
| Densmore | - Yes | Wilson | - Yes |
| Fabus | - Yes | | |

7.3 Recommended Action: The board adopts **Roberts' Rules of Order**.

Motion by Wilson supported by Densmore to adopt Robert's Rules of Order. Motion passed.

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| Andrews | - Yes | Hardman | - Yes |
| Bowman | - Yes | Schneider | - Yes |
| Densmore | - Yes | Wilson | - Yes |
| Fabus | - Yes | | |

7.4 Recommended Action: The board accepts **season passes as compensation** for Board Members for the 2017-2018 school year.

Motion by Wilson supported by Densmore to accept season passes as compensation for Board Members for the 2017-2018 school year. Motion passed.

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| Andrews | - Yes | Hardman | - Yes |
| Bowman | - Yes | Schneider | - Yes |
| Densmore | - Yes | Wilson | - Yes |
| Fabus | - Yes | | |

7.5 Recommended Action: The board appoints _____ to **District Library Board Director position.**

Motion by Hardman supported by Bowman to appoint Densmore and Schneider to the District Library Board Director position. Motion passed.

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| Andrews | - Yes | Hardman | - Yes |
| Bowman | - Yes | Schneider | - Yes |
| Densmore | - Yes | Wilson | - Yes |
| Fabus | - Yes | | |

7.6 Recommended Action: The board approves The Gratiot County Herald **and The Weekly as our publication of official notices** for the 2017-2018 school year.

Motion by Hardman supported by Fabus to approve The Gratiot County Herald **and The Weekly** as our publication of official notices for the 2017-2018 school year. Motion passed.

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| Andrews | - Yes | Hardman | - Yes |
| Bowman | - Yes | Schneider | - Yes |
| Densmore | - Yes | Wilson | - Yes |
| Fabus | - Yes | | |

8.0 Establish Date, Time, and Place of the Regular Meeting

State law requires a minimum of one monthly meeting. The board must take action specifying the date, location, and time of its regular meeting.

Motion by Hardman supported by Bowman to approve the dates of Regular Board Meeting as presented in the Media Center at 7:00 p.m. These meetings will be the 3rd Monday of the month with the exception of January 22, 2018, February 12, 2018, and June 25, 2018.

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| Andrews | - Yes | Hardman | - Yes |
| Bowman | - Yes | Schneider | - Yes |
| Densmore | - Yes | Wilson | - Yes |
| Fabus | - Yes | | |

9.0 Designation of Bank Depository for Funds and Signatories

It is required that the board names a depository for our school funds. The district currently uses Mercantile Bank.

Motion by Bowman supported by Densmore to approve Mercantile Bank as the depository for school funds for the 2017-2018 school year. Motion passed.

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| Andrews | - Yes | Hardman | - Yes |
| Bowman | - Yes | Schneider | - Yes |
| Densmore | - Yes | Wilson | - Yes |
| Fabus | - Yes | | |

10.0 Designation of Legal Services

The board has over the years retained the Lansing law firm of Thrun Law Firm, PC, as the district's legal advisors.

Motion by Hardman supported by Fabus to appoint Thrun Law Firm, as the district's legal advisors for the 2017-2018 school year. Motion passed.

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| Andrews | - Yes | Hardman | - Yes |
| Bowman | - Yes | Schneider | - Yes |
| Densmore | - Yes | Wilson | - Yes |
| Fabus | - Yes | | |

11.0 Designation of Audit Services

The district currently retains Roslund, Prestage & Company (RPC) as the financial auditors for the 2016-17 school year. The board can continue with RPC as the financial auditor or bids can be accepted for the 2017-2018 school year.

Motion by Wilson supported by Densmore to approve Roslund, Prestage & Company as the auditors for the district for the 2017-2018 school year. Motion passed.

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| Andrews | - Yes | Hardman | - Yes |
| Bowman | - Yes | Schneider | - Yes |
| Densmore | - Yes | Wilson | - Yes |
| Fabus | - Yes | | |

12.0 Other

Would like to retain both the Building Site Committee and the Personnel Committee.

13.0 Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.