Yuma School District-1 November 18, 2019 Regular Meeting Board of Education

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Dan Ross, President

Duane Brown, Vice President

Kim Langley, Secretary/Treasurer (Arrived at 7:16 p.m.)

Thomas Holtorf, Director

Lindsey Galles, Director (Arrived at 7:24 p.m.)

Dianna Chrisman, Superintendent
Sherry Dennis-Murphy, Business Manager
Rhonda Metcalfe, Executive Secretary

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

President Ross stated for the record that Langley and Galles would both be late.

1.0 CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Board President, Dan Ross called the regular meeting of the Board of Education to order at 7:04 p.m. on Monday, November 18, 2019 in the Yuma School District Board Room.

2.0 AGENDA-ADDITIONS/DELETIONS-APPROVAL

• Superintendent Chrisman noted a revision to the agenda; addition of Executive Session at 8.6. Added is 8.6.1 with reason listed for Executive Session. Also, added 8.6.2 with 2nd reason for need of Executive Session. Specific reasons for Executive Session are listed in the revised agenda.

Motion by Ross, seconded by Holtorf to approve agenda revision; addition of 8.6.1 and 8.6.2 to Consent Agenda as presented.

Voting Aye: Brown, Holtorf, Ross. Absent: Langley and Galles. Motion carried.

3.0 FINANCIAL OFFICER REPORT

- Business Manager Sherry Dennis-Murphy gave financial report for the month of October.
 - ❖ Expenditures \$746,864; Revenue \$705,277; Payroll and benefits \$633,477
 - Dennis-Murphy gave a reminder that the audit report will be presented next month. Also, Data Pipeline to the State has been completed and filed.
 - Highlighted expenditures
 - ➤ Bedrock, LLC for \$4,004 for wood chips at YMS Playground
 - Rasmussen for \$4,741 for a service call to YMS chiller and repairs to the voltage lug.
 - Several activity fund bills: Little Ceasers Pizza for FCCLA fundraiser for \$5,420; Little Lamb Fundraising for Little Indians Preschool Cookie Sales for \$5,936; Pro Sports Football Gear and Equipment from a donation of \$23,794 from the Football Boosters.
 - > Several small purchases throughout the month.
 - Donations are listed on the agenda.
 - ❖ For follow up from previous month's questions, Dennis-Murphy asked if the breakdown on the Activity Reports is easier to find and read. General discussion. Dennis-Murphy will continue to work on this.

❖ Director Holtorf asked is Rasmussen paid the electrician for the voltage lug repair as normally they do not do electrical repair. Dennis-Murphy explained that they had to order parts for it. She will follow up on this.

4.0 CONSENT AGENDA

- 4.1 Approval of Minutes
 - 4.1.1 October 21, 2019 Regular Board Meeting
- 4.2 Routine Business
 - 4.2.1 Financial Reports as of October 31, 2019
 - 4.2.2 October 2019 Check Register
 - 4.2.3 Donations Stated in Financial Officer Report
- 4.3 Personnel
 - 4.3.1 Recommendations
 - Mirian Molinar Custodian
 - ❖ Diana Bencomo YMS Para
 - 4.3.2 Separations and Resignations
 - ❖ Mary Turney Custodian

Motion by Ross, seconded by Brown to approve Consent Agenda as presented. Voting Aye: Brown, Holtorf, Ross. Absent: Galles and Langley. Motion Carried.

5.0 VISITORS COMMENTS/REQUESTS

None

6.0 SCHEDULED AUDIENCE WITH BOARD

None

7.0 CORRESPONDANCE

• Ross recognized a thank you card from Kris Van Deraa thanking Superintendent Chrisman and the board for their hard work on the bond.

8.0 DISCUSSION ITEMS

- 8.1 Adult Meal Prices
- Chrisman stated there was a review to make sure our meal prices are matching the requirements. The district does have need to increase the adult meal prices. Current prices are \$1.75 for adult breakfast and \$3.50 for adult lunch. Those will need to be brought up to \$2.10 for adult breakfast and \$3.75 for adult lunch. If the district would choose not to raise those then the option is to subsidize the difference in price. Chrisman's recommendation is to raise the adult breakfast price to \$2.10 and adult lunch price to \$3.75. General discussion followed.

Motion by Holtorf, seconded by Ross to approve adult meal prices to \$2.10 for adult

P a g e | 3 Regular Board Meeting November 18, 2019 breakfast and \$3.75 for adult lunch.

Voting Aye: Brown, Holtorf, Ross. Absent: Galles and Langley. Motion carried.

8.2 Activity Trip Requests

- YMS Science Club/STEAM to Lockhead Martin Discovery Center in Colorado Springs, CO 11/22/19
- YMS Knowledge Bowl to Standley Lake High School in Westminster, CO 1/25/20

President Ross noted for the record that Langley arrived at 7:16 p.m. Discussion of activity trips.

Motion by Ross, seconded by Langley, to approve activity trip requests. Voting Aye: Brown, Holtorf, Langley, Ross. Absent: Galles. Motion carried.

8.3 Ratify Activity Trip

 YHS FBLA to Stock Market Challenge in Ft. Collins, CO 11/15/20

Motion by Holtorf, seconded by Langley to ratify FBLA Trip request. Voting Aye: Brown, Holtorf, Langley, Ross. Absent: Galles

8.4 Review of District & School Preliminary Performance Frameworks

- Superintendent Chrisman reported the purpose of this discussion is 2-fold. (1) These frameworks are preliminary and there is no need at this point to do a request for reconsideration on the scoring. Chrisman gave an explanation as to what the state requires for accreditation and how testing is used and what is looked at by the state. Chrisman explained how to look at the results of the Preliminary Performance Frameworks enclosure and the difference between the district's frameworks and the various schools.
- President Ross noted for the record that Lindsey Galles arrived at 7:24 p.m.
- Superintendent Chrisman continued with discussion on the Preliminary Performance Frameworks. (2) Chrisman stated she wants to use this discussion of the current testing procedures, date and accountability measures, as a catalyst to why she is recommending the district look at something different. Chrisman gave Principals Nighswonger and Chapman an opportunity to address their testing and results to the board. Holtorf voiced his concern that the current testing makes the assumption that all students are going on to college. Chrisman addressed this by stating that the expectation by the state is that no matter what students go on to do that they need a good knowledge base with basic core content skills as they go forward.

- Principal Nighswonger added that he feels students are being better prepared for all the different options available to them after graduating. Many students have gone directly into the workforce straight out of high school and have been quite successful. He reminded the board that they have a committee of high school staff that focuses on this area and collects data with test scores to evaluate areas that might be missing in our curriculum.
- Principal Chapman stated that these measures are a little unfair at the elementary level and the way the testing is set up. She doesn't feel it gives an accurate picture of what is done with K-4 grades.
- Vice President Brown asked about participation rates and how the opting out works. Chrisman gave a brief explanation of the rules for opting out. Brief discussion followed.
- Superintendent Chrisman reported that in the last couple of months the State Board of Education has been looking at accreditation and have made some decisions to change the score expectations. If the district were to run the exact same numbers as now with the new expectations the district will be lower in all categories. Of concern is the change in calculations and expectations in growth. There are groups in the state currently who do an alternative accreditation. Chrisman states that she is for accountability and that there should be targets where we strive to get every student to that target. However, using the elementary school as an example, they have multiple measures that they use to determine if students are meeting the progress needed. The current testing is CMAS only. This testing is a one-shot test that takes about a week to complete. There are other methods that would give a more complete picture. Chrisman reported on the SCAP (Student-Centered Accountability Project) that started about 4 years ago. They are recommending putting focus into other measures. The district is working within BOCES currently to explore an alternate assessment model. This is in very early stages. Chrisman gave a brief explanation of what this would look like. Brief discussion followed.

8.5 Discussion of Building Project

• Chrisman reported her excitement that we now have a building project. She reported to the board where the district currently is in the process as follows: The district had an organizational meeting on Wednesday, Nov. 13, 2019. The Neenan Company will be coming for a face-to-face meeting on Wednesday, Nov. 20, 2019, to further look at the schedule and identify the timing and phasing of the project. Tentatively, the district is looking at a kick-off meeting on Monday, Dec. 2, 2019, where community will be invited with an actual collaborative design process taking place the following day on Tuesday throughout the day. Community will be

invited to this as well. Meetings will then be held bi-weekly between now and Christmas break to check in on the process. There will be additional meetings as things get organized. Moving forward the district will focus on three design advisory groups; within the designing phase the User Group and the Community Feedback Group will be more involved than the Mechanical Group. The district is also working on processes for communicating the progress of the building project to the community.

- Chad Rayl, Project One, added that throughout the design process the board will meet to approve the different drawings and phases of the project. The board will be kept informed of each phase.
- General discussion of the project followed including the desire to get as many community members involved as possible.
- Vice President Brown reported that the matching money bond paperwork was approved at last week's Special Meeting and then the paperwork was signed and sent. The schedule to price the certificates of participation should be early next week or the following week and then the closing will be on December 5, 2019. This process seems to be going smoothly.
- 8.6 Approve recommendation of Superintendent pursuant to Policy AC/AC-R Complaint.
 - 8.6.1 Executive Session pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(g) for the purposes of reviewing education records concerning a student underlying a complaint filed pursuant to Policy AC-R that are protected from disclosure under the Colorado Open Records Act.
 - 8.6.2 Executive Session pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(h) to discuss an individual student matter as relevant to a complaint filed pursuant to AC-R.

Motion by Ross, seconded by Langley to go into Executive Session for 8.6.1 and 8.6.2.

Voting Aye: Brown, Galles, Holtorf, Langley, Ross. Motion Carried.

President Ross stated that the Board and Superintendent would be those included in the Executive Session.

The Board and Superintendent met in Executive Session beginning at 8:04 p.m.

President Ross reconvened the regular board meeting at 8:37 p.m.

Motion by Ross, seconded by Holtorf, to accept the recommendation of Superintendent pursuant to Policy AC/AC-R Complaint.

Voting Aye: Galles, Holtorf, Langley, Ross. Abstain: Brown Motion carried.

9.0 SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

- Superintendent Chrisman reported next board meeting will be December 9, 2019. There will be a work session that day at 6:30 p.m. to review budget changes. January will be the budget review and change. During the regular meeting on December 9th, Scott Szabo will be present to review the audit. The regular meeting will start at 7:30 p.m. Chrisman stated she will do an end-of-semester recap on activities and accomplishments at that meeting.
- Chrisman also directed the board members' attention to an itinerary for the upcoming CASB Pre-Convention and Convention asking them to indicate which days they would be able to attend so that changes to current registration and hotel reservations can be made.

10.0 BOARD REPORT

- Various board members recognized the accomplishments of students in Football, Volleyball, Robotics, Knowledge Bowl, and Stock Market Challenge. The board is very proud of the accomplishments and success of the students in the district.
- The board is excited about the passage of the bond issue and all the exciting things to come.
- Langley reported that the play with the Yuma Drama Club is this weekend. Encouraged all to attend.
- Vice President Brown reported that another thing that will need to take place at the BOE meeting on the 9th is approving the Mill Levy Resolution. Brown will meet with Dennis-Murphy to work on this.

The Board Meeting was adjourned at 8:43 p.m. by Dan Ross.

Motion by Holtorf, seconded by Langley to adjourn the meeting. Voting Aye: Brown, Galles, Holtorf, Langley, Ross. Motion Carried

Sincerely,

Kim Langley, Secretary/Treasurer

Yuma School District-1 Board of Education Dan Ross, President Yuma School District-1 Board of Education