# Yuma School District-1 September 20, 2021 Regular Meeting Board of Education

#### **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Dan Ross, President
Duane Brown, Vice President
Dani Crossland, Board Secretary
Lindsey Galles, Director
Rhonda Metcalfe, Secretary
Kim Langley, Secretary/Treasurer – Attended Virtually

## **BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT**

Thomas Holtorf, Director

# 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 7:09 p.m. on Monday, September 20, 2021, in the Yuma School District Board Room.

# 2.0 AGENDA-ADDITIONS/DELETIONS-APPROVAL

- Superintedent Chrisman stated two additions to the consent agenda 4.3.1
  - o Authorization of Christine Daugherty YHS Assistant Cheer Coach
  - o Authorization of Kory Wakefield YHS Volunteer Cheer Coach

Motion by Ross, seconded by Brown, to accept the agenda as amended. Voting Aye: Brown, Galles, Langley, Ross. Absent: Holtorf Motion carried.

## 3.0 FINANCIAL OFFICER REPORT

- Superintendent Chrisman gave the August financial report in Business Manager, Sherry Dennis-Murphy's absence.
  - Expenditures \$779,449; Revenue \$994,698; Payroll and Benefits \$584,953.
  - Larger Bills Paid
    - ❖ Heartland School Solutions \$2,262 for food service renewal
    - ❖ Alma \$12,504 for student information system
    - Carolina Biological \$67,719 for science curriculum
    - ❖ Cengage Learning \$5,360 for science curriculum
    - Gertge Technology \$39,825 for switches with a large portion of this being e-rate reimbursed
    - ❖ JJ Pratt Enterprises \$7,098 for resurfacing gym floors
    - ❖ Lexia Learning \$9,000 for renewal of software program
    - ❖ Savvas Learning Company \$12,631 for science curriculum
  - Auditors were here last week. Questions are being finalized. The goal is to have everything submitted and completed with auditor presentation to the board in November. Audit looks good thus far.
  - Donations listed on agenda.

## 4.0 CONSENT AGENDA

- 4.1 Approval of Minutes
  - 4.1.1 August 16, 2021 Regular Board Meeting
- 4.2 Routine Business
  - 4.2.1 Financial Reports as of August 31, 2021
  - 4.2.2 August 2021 Check Register
  - 4.2.3 Donations
    - Yuma Community Foundation \$335.00 to Cheer
    - ❖ First FarmBank \$350.00 to football concessions
- 4.3 Personnel
  - 4.3.1 Authorization
    - Cliff Evett Maintenance
    - Angel Chavez Cook
    - ❖ Connor Morton YMS Para
    - ❖ Brittany Cowen YHS Para
    - ❖ Shannon Harrington YHS Para
    - ❖ Sarah Leifheit 5/6 Science/Social Studies
    - Brendy Allen YMS Assistant Wrestling Coach
    - ❖ Brooks Alvarez YMS Volunteer Wrestling Coach
    - ❖ Shay Northrup Head 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Volleyball Coach
    - ❖ Rory Lynch Summer Weight Room Supervisor
    - ❖ Dave Sheffield Summer Weight Room Supervisor
    - ❖ Laura Elena Martinez YMS Cashier
    - ❖ Lorna Winkler YHS Para
    - ❖ Dani Crossland BOE Secretary/Purchasing Agent
    - Christine Daugherty YHS Assistant Cheer Coach
    - ❖ Kory Wakefield YHS Volunteer Cheer Coach
  - 4.3.2 Resignations and Separations
    - Elizabeth Basham Cook
- 4.4 Policy Parameters and Special Policy Updates
  - 4.4.1 2<sup>nd</sup> & Final Reading
    - ❖ GBGL Staff Victim Leave
    - ❖ GBGG Staff Sick Leave
    - ❖ IKF Graduation Requirements
    - ❖ IKF-2 Graduation Requirements
    - ❖ IC/ICA School Year/School Calendar/Instruction Time
- 4.5 Assessment Calendar

Motion by Ross, seconded by Brown, to approve Consent Agenda as presented and amended.

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

# 5.0 VISITORS COMMENTS/REQUESTS

None

There was brief discussion of moving visitor comments further down on the agenda in the future.

# 6.0 SCHEDULED AUDIENCE WITH BOARD

- 6.1 Neenan/Project-1 Update Chad Rayl
  - Chad Rayl gave a project and schedule update.
    - ❖ Update the new addition at YHS. This area has been turned over to the district. Currently working on punch list items. Ag shop has one more electrical inspection to complete. Space is usable however equipment cannot be plugged in and used until the final inspection has taken place. Discussion.
    - ❖ South renovation all studs are up. Insulation and dry walling has started.
    - ❖ Furniture All of the furniture has now been signed off for last south section of classrooms.
    - ❖ Transportation building demo clean demo is complete. Asbestos is out. All should be down in approximately 2 weeks.
    - ❖ South parking lot − all curb, gutter and sidewalks are poured. Waiting on asphalt contractor to come in approximately 1-1/2 to 2 weeks.
    - Chrisman reports the district is putting together an RFQ for the metal building, storage and ticket booth on the south side. This will be from general fund reserve.
    - ❖ Budget update More money has been put back into contingency making the balance in contingency approximately \$400,000. Neenan's contingency is at \$260,000. Chrisman explained some open items where the contingency may possibly be used. Discussion followed.

# 7.0 CORRESPONDENCE

None

## 8.0 DISCUSSION ITEMS

# 8.1 YHS Handbook Approval

 Superintendent Chrisman stated that Principal Nighswonger has made adjustments to the YHS handbook to address questions that arose at the August board meeting. Brown agreed that the corrections that were made clarified the issues of concern for him.

Motion by Brown, seconded by Galles, to approve the YHS handbook as presented. Voting Aye: Brown, Galles, Langley, Ross. Absent: Holtorf. Motion carried.

### 8.2 Mascot Discussion

- Superintendent Chrisman gave an overview of all mascot submissions.
  There were 36 total submissions resulting in 22 options. Chrisman stated
  that the plan for this board meeting is to narrow the selections down and
  make a list to submit to the community for additional community feedback.
  President Ross read through the timeline for the remainder of the mascot
  selection process. Discussion followed.
- Vice President Brown gave his concerns of submissions that have ties to Native American culture that he feels would not be appropriate under the statute. Discussion followed.
- Submissions were narrowed down and a list compiled to present to the community.
  - Pioneers
  - Tribe
  - Aggies
  - Lightning
  - Bison
  - Yetis
  - Ringnecks
  - Renegades
  - Thunder
  - Fliers
  - Huntsmen
  - Railroaders
  - Phoenix
  - Balers
- Work session will be scheduled for October 11, 2021, at 7:00 P.M. to discuss the mascot submissions and look at the community feedback on these selections. Submission deadline for community feedback is October 8, 2021.

#### SUPERINTENDENT REPORT 9.0

- Superintendent Chrisman gave a COVID update. The district is seeing numbers not so much in Yuma but more to the south of the district. Currently the district has had 4 positive cases in the school community, 2 of those are staff members. If a staff member is positive then contract tracing is used to look at exposures. The district has been able to avoid some quarantining measures due to vaccination statuses. This is being watched closely. Chrisman explained some measures that may be taken if numbers continue to climb.
- Chrisman addressed the President's mandate on vaccination for business or organizations over 100. Currently this does not apply to the district as the district is not considered private sector.
- Superintendent Chrisman announced that CASB, Colorado Association of School Boards, met last Monday for the regional meeting. Every year CASB gives the McGuffey Award recognizing board members for outstanding service and dedication to the difficult role of being a board member. This year the district received 2 awards going to Kim Langley and Dan Ross. Chrisman stated it has been remarkable all that has been accomplished during the time frame and Langley and Ross have served on the YSD-1 board of education. Chrisman thanked Ross and Langley for their service.
- Chrisman reported that athletics and academics are moving forward. Superintendent Chrisman reported that the district is fully staffed.

#### BOARD REPORT 10.0

- Director Galles stated that she would like to see a master list of projects needing completed so that goals and timelines are set. Chrisman stated that she will bring this list to the next board meeting.
- President Ross reported that he and Superintendent Chrisman had attended the regional CASB meeting. He stated that they attended a new board orientation presentation. Ross stated he will be willing to spend time with new board members to show them procedural things that would be helpful for them to know.

#### **ADJOURNMENT** 11.0

The Board Meeting was adjourned at 8:35 P.M. by President Dan Ross.

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

Sincerely,

Kim Langley, Secretary/Treasurer Yuma School District-1 **Board of Education** 

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Dan Ross, President