

Yuma School District-1  
April 21, 2025 Regular Meeting  
Board of Education

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

John Deering, President  
Terri Cooper, Vice President  
Tyson Brown, Director  
Lindsey Galles, Director  
Heath Roundtree, Director

Dianna Chrisman, Superintendent  
Sherry Dennis-Murphy, Business Manager/Treasurer  
Dani Crossland, Executive Secretary/Board Secretary

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT**

None

**1.0 CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Board President, John Deering called the regular meeting of the Board of Education to order at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, April 21, 2025, in the Yuma School District Board Room.

**2.0 AGENDA-ADDITIONS/DELETIONS-APPROVAL**

- None

Motion by Cooper, seconded by Brown to approve the agenda.

Voting Aye: Brown, Cooper, Deering, Galles, Roundtree. Motion carried.

**3.0 FINANCIAL OFFICER REPORT**

- Business Manager Sherry Dennis-Murphy gave the financial report for the month of March.
  - Expenditures \$869,921; Revenue \$2,600,418, including property taxes, insurance reimbursements, title reimbursements, and state equalizations; Payroll and Benefits \$746,596
  - Larger Bills
    - BSN - \$8,295 to replace wrestling mats at YMS, covered by insurance
    - Four Seasons Fencing - \$5,000 for final payment for replacements batter's eye, covered by insurance
    - Rasmussen - \$10,500 for repairs for issues during preventative maintenance
    - Ritchey's Redi Mix - \$10,050 for cement work at track for shot put and long jump and bollards for YMS

**4.0 SUPERINTENDENT REPORT**

- Superintendent Chrisman stated that the food service request for proposal is live.
- Continuing to work on budget to stay up to date with what the State is going to do. Will have updates in May as we get closer to the end of the legislative session.

## **5.0 PRINCIPAL REPORTS**

- Brady Nighswonger, Principal at Yuma High School
  - FBLA students left for State FBLA this morning
  - FFA State CDE's for FFA coming up later this month
  - Spring sports are in full swing

## **6.0 CONSENT AGENDA**

### **6.1 Approval of Minutes**

6.1.1 March 31, 2025 – Regular Board Meeting

### **6.2 Routine Business**

6.2.1 Financial Reports as of March 31, 2025

6.2.2 March 2025 Check Register

### **6.3 Personnel**

#### **6.3.1 Recommendations**

- ❖ Zuseth Rodriguez - Nurse's Aide
- ❖ Brian Black - YMS Head Track Coach
- ❖ Tyson Brown - Substitute Bus Driver (Mini Bus)
- ❖ Michelle Reyes - YMS Assistant Track Coach
- ❖ Joe Oss - YMS Assistant Track Coach
- ❖ John Horn - Maintenance Assistant
- ❖ Kayla Jones - Secondary Student Support and Intervention Coordinator
- ❖ Presley Papachek - YMS Dean of Students

#### **6.3.2 Separations and Resignations**

- ❖ Tammy Law - YMS 7th/8th Grade Science Teacher
- ❖ Dannica Kalcevic - YHS Special Ed Para

### **6.4 Activity Trip Requests**

6.4.1 YHS Football to football camp in Gunnison, CO 7/15/25-7/17/25

6.4.2 YHS Boys Wrestling to wrestling camp in Gunnison, CO - 6/16/25-6/19/25

Motion by Roundtree, seconded by Galles, to approve the Consent Agenda.

Voting Aye: Brown, Cooper, Deering, Galles, Roundtree. Motion carried.

## **7.0 VISITORS COMMENTS/REQUESTS**

- None

## **8.0 SCHEDULED AUDIENCE WITH BOARD**

- None

## **9.0 CORRESPONDENCE**

- None

## **10.0 DISCUSSION ITEMS**

### **10.1 Superintendent Transition Support Plan**

- Superintendent Chrisman welcomed Mr. Fraley to the board meeting. Superintendent Chrisman and Mr. Fraley have been working together to help the transition go smoothly. Superintendent Chrisman reviewed the superintendent transition support plan that she and Mr. Fraley have worked on together.
  - Superintendent Chrisman will be available to Mr. Fraley for 20 days between July and December 2025 in a consultant role.
  - Mr. Fraley will be able to start up to 5 days before July 1, 2025 depending on his June schedule to work with Mrs. Chrisman on the transition.
  - No action required, the agreement would be the contract approval with certified contracts.

### **10.2 2025-2026 Budget Planning/Discussion and Update**

- Superintendent Chrisman provided the Board of Education with an update, explaining that we are still awaiting action from the state as they are working on various changes with the new finance formula.

#### **10.2.1 Staffing/Administration Plan Discussion**

- ❖ With enrollment decreasing and some positions shifting, this is an appropriate time to consider reconfiguring some areas.
- ❖ Presley Papachek will transition to the role of Dean of Students at YMS. It is recommended that the Athletic Director position at the high school not be filled.
- ❖ With the addition of a Secondary Student Support and Intervention Coordinator, the responsibilities previously handled by YHS administrators will be reallocated, allowing the building administrators to take on the responsibilities of the athletic director.
- ❖ With this plan, the Dean of Students will take on the athletic director duties for the middle school, while the high school administrators will handle those responsibilities at the high school level.

#### **10.2.2 Approval of 2025-2026 Certified Contracts**

- ❖ Recommend step increases for certified staff

Motion by Cooper, seconded by Brown, to approve the 2025-2026 Certified Contracts.  
Voting Aye: Brown, Cooper, Deering, Galles, Roundtree. Motion carried.

### **10.3 Honorary Proclamation of Staff Appreciation Week May 6-9**

- Superintendent Chrisman read the proclamation and explained that instead of recognizing staff during multiple separate weeks, all staff appreciation is now combined into one week that is celebrated the 1st week of May each year.

Motion by Cooper, seconded by Roundtree, to approve the Honorary Proclamation of Staff Appreciation week, May 6th-9th.

Voting Aye: Brown, Cooper, Deering, Galles, Roundtree. Motion carried.

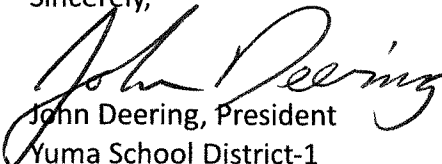
#### 11.0 BOARD REPORTS/COMMENT


- Director Brown
  - Offered condolences to staff members that have recently lost loved ones.
- Vice President Cooper
  - Thanked Mr. Fraley for working with Superintendent Chrisman on the transition.
- President Deering
  - Thanked Mr. Fraley for coming to the meeting tonight and thanked Superintendent Chrisman for working with Mr. Fraley.
- Director Galles
  - Thanked the staff at Yuma High School for working with her and the drama club for the plays.
  - Shane Galles is working on a grant for lights at the baseball fields, softball fields, football field and practice field. Going to present at next month's Board Meeting regarding the grant.

#### 12.0 ADJOURNMENT

The Board Meeting was adjourned at 7:28 P.M. by President Deering.

Sincerely,

  
John Deering, President  
Yuma School District-1  
Board of Education

  
Dani Crossland, Secretary to the Board of Education  
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