

Yuma School District-1  
January 15, 2018 Regular Meeting  
Board of Education

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Dan Ross, President

Duane Brown, Vice President

Kim Langley, Secretary/Treasurer

Thomas Holtorf, Director

Lindsey Galles, Director

Dianna Chrisman, Superintendent

Sherry Dennis-Murphy, Business Manager

Angela Weathers, Executive Secretary

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT**

None

**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 7:00 p.m. on Monday, January 15, 2018 in the Yuma School District Board Room.

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

- Superintendent Chrisman suggested moving item 6.0 Scheduled Audience with the Board up to follow agenda item 2.0.

Motion by Holtorf. Seconded by Langley to approve moving item 6.0 Scheduled Audience with the Board to follow agenda item 2.0 as presented.

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

**3.0 SCHEDULED AUDIENCE WITH BOARD**

- Superintendent Chrisman presented the Board with a handout of an overview of the 2016-17 Vocational Funding Activity Account.
- 3.1 Business Program
  - Marylu Smith-Dischner, YHS Business Teacher and FBLA Advisor presented an overview of the Business Department, including courses offered at the high school, as well as Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA).
    - ❖ Provided a handout on FBLA's goals and action steps to achieve the goals for the school year.
      - Incorporate community service to Chapter projects.
    - ❖ FBLA areas of focus are community outreach, community service, service learning, career prep, leadership and life skills including technical and soft skills.
    - ❖ Business courses are not required to participate in FBLA.
    - ❖ Have identified need for more elderly support in Yuma.
    - ❖ Fundraising – runs concessions during volleyball season.
  - FBLA officers; Emmanuel Fierro, Emma Walter, Stephanie Favela, Crystal Yanez, Kadi Rayl and Evely Valenzuela provided information on their projects.
  - YHS Principal Jodene Boerner added that Jenny Noble is credentialed to

- teach a Business Math course for CTE that counts toward the Business program.
- 3.2 Family Consumer Science Program
  - Tara Lubbers, FCS department teacher and Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) advisor presented an overview of the program and courses offered at the high school.
    - ❖ Classes change every semester
    - ❖ First year of FCCLA, focusing on fundraising.
    - ❖ Family based program, community service and outreach
    - ❖ Time extensive projects; no district competitions, projects qualify for state level competition.
  - Principal Boerner noted that Financial Literacy is a required course for all juniors to fulfill graduation requirements.
  - FCCLA members; Tania Morales, Kenzie Morris, Emily Denney and Stephanie Sauer shared information with the Board on the FCCLA program.
  - Director Brown asked how many male students participate in the FCS program courses and FCCLA.
    - ❖ Ms. Lubbers stated that the program has a decent number of male students enroll in the courses, there are currently three male students participating in FCCLA.
    - ❖ Lubbers noted that feedback from the male students is positive, they enjoy the courses and encourage other male students to enroll in Family Consumer Sciences program coursework and FCCLA.
- 3.3 Agriculture Program
  - Lee Vetter and Kristina Lebsock presented information of the Ag program and Future Farmers of America (FFA) to the Board, along with FFA members, Preston Blach, Alicia Smith and Stacie Higgins.
    - ❖ Mr. Vetter teaches Ag mechanics courses, Ms. Lebsock teaches Ag sciences courses.
      - Examples of work done in Ag mechanics – building crow’s nest for the Yuma County Fairgrounds.
      - Ag science course work examples – dissection labs, aquaponics, floriculture
    - ❖ Agriculture department has large enrollment – 104 students; FFA has 63 active members.
      - Students can earn percentage of grade through active FFA participation, Career Development Events (CDE) and Supervised Agricultural Experiences (SAE).
    - ❖ Recent FFA activities include volunteering at the Ronald McDonald House to prepare food, and preparing meals at the Food Bank of the Rockies.
    - ❖ Student/FFA member, Preston Blach gave described the Aquaponics projects the Ag classes are working on, also sharing his experiences through involvement with FFA – attending the National Convention in Indianapolis and FFA Day at the Stock Show.

#### 4.0 FINANCIAL OFFICER REPORT

- Business Manager Sherry Dennis-Murphy gave financial report for the months of November and December 2017. Noting that the financial reports for November were not available at December meeting, statements had not yet been received.
  - ❖ Highlighted expenditures for November
    - Rasmussen Mechanical
    - Lauer & Szabo for audit expenses.
  - ❖ Highlighted expenditure for December
    - Deposit for boiler project
  - ❖ Noted Donations
    - YHS Wrestling and YHS Sped received donations
- Secretary/Treasurer Langley asked if return had been made on post-secondary options. Dennis-Murphy answered that it is expected, but has not yet been received.

#### 5.0 CONSENT AGENDA

##### 5.1 Approval of Minutes

##### 5.1.1 December 4, 2017 Regular Board Meeting

##### 5.2 Routine Business

##### 5.2.1 Financial Reports as of November 30, 2017

##### 5.2.2 November 2017 Check Register

##### 5.2.3 Financial Reports as of December 31, 2017

##### 5.2.4 December 2017 Check Register

##### 5.2.5 Donations

- ❖ YHS Wrestling Activity Fund
  - \$25.00 from Ron's Car Care
  - \$400 from Kenny & Susan Dreyer
  - \$200 from Gregg McDonald/McDonald Associates
  - \$50 from Sue Kester for wrestling warm-ups
- ❖ YHS Special Education
  - \$200 from Bob Korf Memorial for purchase of technology

##### 5.3 Personnel

##### 5.3.1 Recommendations

- ❖ Brittnee Blach – MES Special Education Paraprofessional
- ❖ Seirra Hernandez – Custodian
- ❖ Letitica Bancroft – Custodian

##### 5.3.2 Separations and Resignations

- ❖ Jessie Vance - Custodian

Motion by Holtorf. Seconded by Langley to approve Consent Agenda as presented.

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

#### 6.0 VISITORS COMMENTS/REQUEST

None

## 7.0 CORRESPONDENCE

- Ross noted the Board received holiday greeting cards and thank you notes. Adding that the board greatly appreciates receiving communications and recognition from the community and staff.

## 8.0 DISCUSSION ITEMS

### 8.1 YMS Boiler

- Brian Sobnosky with Rasmussen Mechanical presented a recap of the current boiler problems within the schools and an update on the boiler project at YMS.
  - ❖ The old boiler unit on the gymnasium side of the middle school was removed.
  - ❖ Installation was delayed one and a half days due to a company vehicle issue.
  - ❖ The boiler in the middle school cafeteria had a steam coil blow and is having problems maintaining pressure. Needs replaced.
  - ❖ The boiler in the elementary school is having problems with the bladder, is in need of repair.
- Chrisman stated that the boilers in the pit are failing.
  - ❖ Sobnosky noted that the current boilers in the pit cannot be repaired; the manufacturer is no longer operating and the boiler is obsolete - parts cannot be purchased.
  - ❖ Chrisman added that the board will need to schedule an additional meeting to further discuss and approve action on the boilers in the pit.
- Sobnosky recapped the Board on the boiler system options presented in a previous meeting for the middle school 5/6 section of the building. He provided the board with the proposal of Rasmussen's recommendation.
  - ❖ Rasmussen recommends replacing steam boiler with more efficient Lochinvar water boiler and chilled water loop.
    - 4 pipe system to heat and cool simultaneously, meets needs better.
    - Proposed bid for 4 pipe system with chiller option; \$554,129.
  - ❖ Chrisman stated that a district will apply for a BEST grant with the information from the approved boiler system.
  - ❖ Vice President Duane Brown asked if the current piping will need to be replaced and if that cost is part of the proposal. Sobnosky answered that it will need to be all new piping and it is included in the cost bid.
  - ❖ Director Holtorf asked what building modifications will need to be done. Sobnosky stated that the system will replace the current system without need for modification of building.

### 8.2 Final 2017-2018 Budget

- Sherry Dennis-Murphy presented overview of 2017-18 Final Budget to the Board.
  - ❖ \$528,000 of guaranteed funds will be received.
  - ❖ Added \$24,000 to reserves in addition to the \$220,000 already budgeted for in preliminary budget.
  - ❖ Will not need to use reserves funds, but will remain tight on budget.
  - ❖ Chrisman stated there is a possible re-appropriation of state funds that could potentially be paid out during 2017-18 school year.
    - Dennis-Murphy noted that the budget is solely based on guaranteed funds. If the state were to re-appropriate funding, the amount received will be added to the budget, when it is received.
  - ❖ Brown asked when the final budget needs submitted to state. Dennis-Murphy answered by the end of January.
  - ❖ Brown asked about supplemental appropriations. Dennis-Murphy stated a supplemental is usually done around May if more funds need appropriated, but if needed, can do monthly.
  - ❖ Chrisman noted a supplement needs completed when costs for items or projects that are planned for the next school year (after July 1<sup>st</sup>) are paid for or purchased prior to June 30<sup>th</sup>, it must go on the current budget year.
    - Dennis-Murphy added examples of this, are when teachers purchase supplies for the next school year before break in order for the supplies to be in when they return. Anything purchased prior to June 30<sup>th</sup> must go on the current budget.
  - ❖ Dennis-Murphy stated that the budget amounts are based on projections, there is not a way to know definite numbers ahead of time.

### 8.3 Final Appropriation Resolution

- No discussion

### 8.4 Ratify Activity Trip Request for FFA trip to Ronald McDonald House of Aurora and Food Bank of the Rockies on 1/4/18-15/18.

- No discussion

### 8.5 Executive Session called at 8:31 p.m. by President Ross for the purpose of discussing a personnel matter involving Superintendent evaluation pursuant to C.R.S. §24-6-402(4)(f).

Moved by Ross, seconded by Galles, to move in to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing a personnel matter involving Superintendent Contract pursuant to C.R.S. §24-6-402(4)(f).

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

- Brought in to Executive Session at 8:33 p.m. by President Ross. Those present on the outset of Executive Session are Dan Ross, Duane Brown, Kim Langley, Thomas Holtorf, Lindsey Galles, Superintendent Dianna Chrisman and Executive Secretary Angela Weathers.
- Executive Session adjourned at 8:59 p.m. by President Ross, continued the general session.

## 9.0 ACTION ITEMS

9.1 Approval of recommended Lochinvar boiler 4-pipe system with chiller for Yuma Middle School at \$554,129.

Moved by Langley, seconded by Brown to approve recommended Lochinvar boiler 4-pipe system with chiller for Yuma Middle School \$554,129 as presented.

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

9.2 Approval of Final 2017-2018 Budget

Moved by Brown, seconded by Galles to approve Final 2017-2018 Budget as presented.

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

9.3 Approval of Final Appropriation Resolution

Moved by Brown, seconded by Galles to approve Final Appropriation Resolution as presented.

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

9.4 Ratify Activity Trip Request for FFA trip to Ronald McDonald House of Aurora and Food Bank of the Rockies on 1/4/18-1/5/18.

Moved by Galles, seconded by Langley to Ratify Activity Trip Request for FFA trip to Ronald McDonald House of Aurora and Food Bank of the Rockies on 1/4/18-1/5/18 as presented.

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

9.5 Approval of Superintendent Contract

Moved by Brown, seconded by Galles to approve Superintendent Contract through June 30, 2000 as presented.

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

## 10.0 SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- January is Board Appreciation Month. Superintendent Chrisman read aloud proclamation signed by Colorado Governor, John Hickenlooper.
- Calendar committee to meet on Monday to prepare 2018-2019 school year calendar proposal for February Board meeting. Many changes not anticipated.
- Budget planning for 2018-2019
  - ❖ Requesting early healthcare renewal information.
  - ❖ GAP program seems to be working well.
  - ❖ Following PERA legislation closely. May not affect 2018-19 budget as much, but will be large budget issue for 2019-20.
    - Increase estimated at \$75-\$100,000, not including raises if proposed

- changes pass to base deductions on gross income, currently figured on net.
- District contribution could increase to 23%
- Transportation planning
  - ❖ Need to update fleet
    - May be beneficial to add another bus as well as one or two additional smaller, economy vehicles.
- Has been working with Janna Young in Human Resources/Payroll to evaluate pay scale competitiveness with other districts.
- Summer maintenance projects
  - ❖ Goal to have planning, supplies by May
- State Superintendent Meeting
  - ❖ Superintendents have proposed a bill to adequately fund school districts.
    - Old formula is out of date; enacted in 1994 – factors do not correlate with today’s economy and are unrelated to student needs.
    - Proposed bill is not a tax increase
      - Underlies improved distribution of funds when increase in revenue occurs.
      - Estimated increase in Yuma School District budget by \$3million per year.

#### 11.0 BOARD REPORT/COMMENTS

- Langley stated that she received word that Coach Jerry Callahan has passed away. Holtorf added that he was the winningest football coach in Yuma history. Director Galles added that he was also a CSU quarterback.
  - ❖ A condolence arrangement will be sent on behalf of the School Board and Yuma School District.

#### 13.0ADJOURNMENT

The Board Meeting was adjourned at 9:20 p.m. by Dan Ross.  
Motion by Langley, seconded by Galles 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

