

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

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Dan Ross, President

Duane Brown, Vice President

Kim Langley, Secretary/Treasurer

Thomas Holtorf, Director

Dianna Chrisman, Superintendent

Sherry Dennis-Murphy, Business Manager

Rhonda Metcalfe, Executive Secretary

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Lindsey Galles, 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 7:01 p.m. on Monday, February 18, 2019, in the Yuma School District Board Room.

*President Ross noted for the record that Director Galles is absent.

2.0 AGENDA-ADDITIONS/DELETIONS-APPROVAL

- Addition of 8.3 Ratify School Closing on January 22nd and February 7th due to weather

3.0 FINANCIAL OFFICER REPORT

- Business Manager Sherry Dennis-Murphy gave financial report for the month of January 2019.
 - ❖ January - Expenditures \$582,769, Revenue \$691,530, Payroll and benefits \$596,944
 - ❖ Dennis-Murphy reported that some of the bills paid in January included:
 - Devlin Electric for door security system and exterior lights - \$2,657
 - GV Pro Tables for the scorer's table - \$12,682
 - Rasmussen for replacement of the R2U coils which was the insurance claim on the Morris Elementary - \$69,278
 - Neenan Company for 95% completion of the Master Plan - \$10,100
 - The district did receive the reimbursement from NJC for the Fall bill - \$36,778. The Fall classes cost the district \$12,976
 - ❖ Donations
 - \$7,509.20 from Yuma Fine Arts to YHS Fine Arts
 - \$500 from Bill Heberlein to cheer/dance team
 - \$200 from Tina Richardson to FFA
 - \$100 from Yuma District Hospital for safety kits

- ❖ Dennis-Murphy reported that Morris Elementary received a grant from the Colorado Health Foundation for a music garden in the amount of \$102,494. Director Langley asked what a music garden is. Principal Chapman explained that it is a group of standing musical instruments that a whole class could play and it will be located where the tether ball court was. She reported that the grant was written by herself, Vickie Bushner and Wendy Lynch.
- ❖ Dennis-Murphy asked for questions.
 - President Ross asked if the City bill had increased, decreased or stayed the same in the last year. Dennis-Murphy responded that it has pretty much stayed the same. It does depend upon the month but overall stays average to what it has been. The district did have an energy audit performed recently and they should be presenting their results soon and will have a scheduled presentation with the board. Superintendent Chrisman added that as she had been talking with Mr. Etl with DOLA that he suggested the district have an energy audit done to assist with potential grant money.
 - Director Holtorf commented that the tuition for the Fall NJC classes were really high and is assuming the district will be able to recapture some of that cost. Dennis-Murphy reiterated that the reimbursement received from NJC was for this cost.
 - Director Langley noted seeing more line items than usual with insurance and AFLAC. Dennis-Murphy reports this is just due to the fact that she pulled everything and it is just part of the payroll and benefits package.

Motion made by Langley, seconded by Holtorf, to accept the Financial Officer's Report as presented. Voting Aye: Brown, Holtorf, Langley, Ross. Absent: Galles. Motion carried.

4.0 CONSENT AGENDA

4.1 Approval of Minutes

4.1.1 January 31, 2019 – Regular Meeting

4.2 Routine Business

4.2.1 Financial Reports as of January 31, 2019

4.2.2 January 2019 Check Register

4.2.3 Donations

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4.3 Personnel

4.3.1 Recommendations

ENCLOSURE

- ❖ Ana Karen Trevizo – MES ELL Para
- ❖ Kaleb Fech - Custodian
- ❖ Kristy Rutledge – YMS Knowledge Bowl Volunteer
- ❖ Ronella Noble – YMS Knowledge Bowl Volunteer
- ❖ Nickolas Bacon – Custodian
- ❖ Jenny Noble – YHS Boys Volleyball Coach Volunteer
- ❖ Jamie Robinson – YHS Boys Assistant VB Coach Volunteer
- ❖ Jamie Nighswonger – YHS Boys Assistant VB Coach Volunteer
- ❖ Mallory Noble – YHS Boys Assistant VB Coach Volunteer

Discussion on Consent Agenda: Brown asked about starting a boy's volleyball team. Superintendent Chrisman responded that there is a pilot program for boy's volleyball. For this year the organization that is working with CHSAA will be covering all the fees. The coaches that are interested in coaching this program will all be volunteer their time. There is no cost to the district other than fees for a couple of dates. Where this is free it was decided to try the program to see what kind of interest there is. There is no guarantee that this will be available next year. For any dual sport athletes, their other sport will be their primary. This is a Spring program with limited schedule.

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

5.0 VISITORS COMMENTS/REQUESTS

- None

6.0 SCHEDULED AUDIENCE WITH BOARD

- None

7.0 CORRESPONDANCE

- None

8.0 DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

8.1 Approval of Master Plan

- ❖ Superintendent Chrisman reports approval of the Master Plan was tabled from the last meeting to give board members more time to thoroughly go through the plan. When everything is completed the district will receive a PDF of the plan with all adjustments that were needed complete. This will be on the district website when complete.
- ❖ President Ross called for questions or discussion:
 - Vice President Brown reports that this fits right in with the BEST Grant application as well.
 - Director Langley asked for clarification as to which plan the district would be going with. Superintendent Chrisman

responded that in her interpretation of the Master Plan none of those were in Phase 1 right now in all of the B options. Nothing in the Master Plan binds the district to any particular option. It lists all options that have been considered and as the district is ready to move into Phase 2 the plan would be revisited to decide which option was best at that particular time. As far as the BEST Grant, B3 is the option for that, however, the BEST Grant would only cover Phase 1.

- Langley asked about the demolition in Phase 1. Superintendent Chrisman responded that there is no demolition in Phase 1 other than at the high school site where the current bus barn and maintenance building would be demolished.

Motion by Brown, seconded by Holtorf to approve the Master Plan.

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

8.2 Approval of Delegate Assembly Representation

- ❖ President Ross explained that there is a CASB special delegate assembly in February. Vice President Brown is typically the district's voting representative, however, Brown has a conflict and won't be able to attend. Ross volunteered to take his seat as the delegate at this assembly. Whereas the board had nominated Brown to be the representative it is being presented to the board that Ross go in his place.
- ❖ Superintendent Chrisman reminded the board that every board gets one delegate vote. At the assembly they will be looking at CASB's stand on the legislative session. The topic at this assembly will be on Mill Levy Stabilization. Chrisman asked Brown to explain his understanding of this issue to help the board decide where the district should stand on this.
- ❖ Brown presented an explanation of the proposed legislation. There was discussion and clarification of the pending resolution. Brown's overall view is that the district should oppose this resolution as it does not help us locally and does not fix the problem of school finance.
- ❖ It was agreed that President Ross will represent the district as a voting delegate at the Special Delegate Assembly on Feb. 28th. President Ross thanked the board for the opportunity to go.

8.3 Ratification of school closure on January 22nd and February 7th due to inclement weather.

Motion by Holtorf, seconded by Langley, to ratify the school closings on January 22nd and February 7th.

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

9.0 SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

- ❖ Update on Bus 12 – It has been in the shop and evaluated. There is the option of a complete overhaul for approximately \$24,000 or a new engine for approximately \$25,000 with all the warranties, etc. The decision was made to go with the \$25,000 engine.
- ❖ The two snow days that the district has had puts the district below the 160 day threshold. The district will let the state know that we are below that but that we are above what is required for hours. The district still has enough for three additional days should there be a need for them.
- ❖ There has been a lot of student activities. The district has a very large group of students that have qualified for State FBLA, approximately 70 students. In winter sports, 2 girls qualified for the first ever State Girl's Wrestling. Boy's Wrestling has 8 that will represent at the State Tournament this weekend. Both boys and girls basketball are in the running for State competition. District basketball is this week with Regionals to follow. FFA just had their mid winter leadership conference for the teaching staff.
- ❖ The district is close to getting the BEST Grant application completed. A meeting was held with Jay Hoskinson, district CDE representative, to work on the critical need issues. Some of the very problematic issues currently are electrical issues, as well as HVAC issues, primarily at YHS. The whole purpose of the BEST Grant is to convey a compelling argument as to why the district needs the funds. Adding the auxiliary gym puts the district very high for square footage for what most BEST Grants fund for, however, there are some arguments to support this, for example; most districts our size do not have the nice sized auditorium space like our district has. Superintendent Chrisman is very pleased with the work that Neenan has done going through all the different deficiencies and addressing the solutions. The application is very compelling as to why the district needs the funds. Vice President Brown and Superintendent Chrisman will go to Fort Collins on Wednesday, February 20, 2019, where all of the components will be put into the online application. The application will come back for signatures and will then be hand delivered on Friday, February 22, 2019. Brown added that based on conversations with Hoskinson and Neenan regarding the square footage that it might benefit the district to change what is asked for from the BEST Grant. Rather than asking for 54% with the district contributing 46%, it might benefit the district to "buy down" some of the extra cost of the auxiliary gym and wrestling room. Brown feels it might be beneficial to present that the district would go 50-50 with BEST in order to possibly not be penalized for going over on square footage. Discussion followed regarding this information.

10.0 BOARD REPORTS/COMMENTS

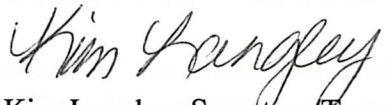
- ❖ Director Holtorf acknowledged that YHS has 8 wrestlers qualified for State Tournament and is excited for that. President Ross agreed that this is great. He also expressed his appreciation to the number of students, staff, and community members that were at the regional meet to support the wrestling team.

- ❖ President Ross also wanted to congratulate Yuma County as a whole with 10% of 2A Wrestlers represented from Yuma County.
- ❖ President Ross also congratulates the YHS Basketball program on their success as league champions.
- ❖ President Ross also acknowledged FBLA for their large number of participants going to State FBLA.

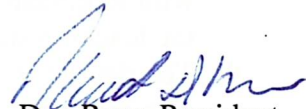
11.0 ADJOURNMENT

The Board Meeting was adjourned at 8:14 p.m. by President Dan Ross.
Motion by Langley, seconded by Holtorf to adjourn the meeting.
Voting Aye: Brown, Holtorf, Langley, Ross. Absent: Galles. Motion carried.

Sincerely,



Kim Langley, Secretary/Treasurer
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Dan Ross, President
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