

Yuma School District-1
June 20, 2022 Regular Meeting
Board of Education

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Duane Brown, President
John Deering, Vice President
Lindsey Galles, Director
Terri Cooper, Secretary/Treasurer

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

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Thomas Holtorf, Director

1.0 CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Board President, Duane Brown called the regular meeting of the Board of Education to order at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, June 20, 2022, in the Yuma School District Board Room.

2.0 AGENDA-ADDITIONS/DELETIONS-APPROVAL

- None

Motion by Galles, seconded by Deering to approve agenda as presented.

Voting Aye: Brown, Cooper, Deering, Galles. Absent: Holtorf Motion carried.

3.0 FINANCIAL OFFICER REPORT

- Business Manager Sherry Dennis-Murphy gave financial report for the month of May.
 - ❖ Expenditures \$1,072,684; Revenue \$2,460,552; Payroll and Benefits \$655,012, Stipends for maintaining in person instruction \$270,356 from Esser III.
 - ❖ Working on finalizing year end, audit is scheduled for September 1-2, 2022.
 - ❖ Larger Bills
 - BSN Sports – \$28,138 for uniforms for mascot change
 - JJ Pratt – \$10,385 floor refinish in The Pit
 - Strictly Technology – \$12,900 for chromebooks and licenses, paid from supplemental funds
 - Strictly Technology - \$31,640 desktop computers for CTE labs, will be able to claim in our CTE year end report, hopefully we will recover around 20% of this
 - ValueUp - \$3,500 school safety presentation
 - Rasmussen - \$25,623 for preventative maintenance agreements
 - Rasmussen - \$4,662 for repairs

4.0 CONSENT AGENDA

4.1 Approval of Minutes

4.1.1 May 23, 2022 – Regular Board Meeting

4.2 Routine Business

4.2.1 Financial Reports as of May 31, 2022

4.2.2 May 2022 Check Register

- 4.2.3 Donations
 - ❖ 6th Grade Parents - \$770 for 6th Grade Camp

4.3 Personnel

4.3.1 Recommendations

- ❖ Bailee Clarkson – YHS Registrar/Counselor Assistant
- ❖ Laurie Kjosness – Student Support Services Director/Crisis Response Coordinator (Half Time)
- ❖ Beau Tate – Temporary Summer Grounds/Maintenance Help
- ❖ Sam Wells – Temporary Summer Grounds/Maintenance Help

4.3.2 Separations and Resignations

- ❖ Giovanni Rodriguez – YHS Assistant Softball Coach
- ❖ Ella Gale – YMS Para

4.4 Policy Parameters and Special Policy Updates

4.4.1 1st Reading

- ❖ GBGG – Staff Leave

4.5 Activity Trip Requests

4.5.1 YHS Volleyball to camp in Alamosa, CO 7/6/22-7/9/22

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

5.0 VISITORS COMMENTS/REQUESTS

- None

6.0 SCHEDULED AUDIENCE WITH BOARD

- None

7.0 CORRESPONDENCE

- The Board received thank you notes from some employees for the Bonus Stipend that employees received for maintaining in person instruction and a thank you note from an employee for flowers that were sent to a funeral. President Brown passed the thank you notes around for all of the Board to read.

8.0 DISCUSSION ITEMS

8.1 Graduation Guidelines Policies

8.1.1 IKF – Graduation Requirements

- ❖ Mr. Nighswonger, YHS Principal discussed the graduation requirements that are changing with the schedule change for YHS. With the current block schedule it is required to have 27 credits for graduation. After deciding on a 7 period day, graduation requirements will need to be changed.
- ❖ The new policy proposes a 24 credit graduation requirement. The major difference is the ICAP (Individual Career and Academic Plan) credit being taken out. It's a requirement of the State of Colorado to teach ICAP and to make sure that

our students are on the pathway they need, but there is not a requirement for ICAP. We can supplement that in during our regular schedule, instead of having it as a credit. We removed the 1 credit for ICAP and 2 elective credits for graduation requirements. Elective credits went from 10 credits to 8. Everything else will stay the same for graduation requirements; four credits for Math and English, 3 for Science and Social Studies, .5 for Financial Literacy and Employability Skills. Felt that 7 period day with 55 minutes of class period would be beneficial for staff and students.

- ❖ During the first semester seniors must take 6 classes, which means they could ask for a reduced schedule for the first semester. To be considered a full time student and be academically eligible, students that are involved in sports are required to take 5 classes. Discussion about ICAP and that requirements might be different for each student based on their career pathway. Also discussed communication and how best to get information to students and parents.

8.1.2 IKF-2 – Graduation Requirements

- ❖ Nothing changed on this policy, just included it since both policies were connected. This policy was brought in when the State changed graduation guidelines. Not sure that we need this policy any longer, but will check into this before the next Board Meeting.

Motion by Brown, seconded by Deering, to approve policy IKF – Graduation Requirements as presented.

Voting Aye: Brown, Cooper, Deering, Galles. Absent: Holtorf Motion carried.

8.2 Supplemental 2021-2022 Food Service Approval

- Dennis-Murphy reported that in the past supplementals have been done to move money before the end of the year to cover extra costs, etc. With Food Service numbers being close and the possibility of things getting moved around during the audit, it would be good to do a supplemental to avoid having a violation which would be considered an audit finding. Dennis-Murphy recommends doing a supplemental for \$100,000 just to have the extra cushion in case it's needed. If it isn't needed, it will not be used.

Motion by Deering, second by Galles, to approve the supplemental food service appropriation for fiscal year 2021-2022.

Voting Aye: Brown, Cooper, Deering, Galles. Absent: Holtorf Motion carried

8.3 Capital Outlay Plan

- Superintendent Chrisman referenced a spreadsheet that included the adjustments that were made to finalize 21-22. The biggest one is the \$400,000 for the mascot change. After reviewing expenditures, the mascot change costs are within \$250,000, however, we will have some carryover for some uniforms that haven't been ordered yet. Looking at a total of \$285,000 for the mascot change.

- We have a lot of upcoming projects, some have been approved previously but were not completed in 2021-2022, so they will be shifted to 2022-2023.
- Chrisman spoke with Director Holtorf, he isn't able to be here and he would like to be involved in the discussion related to the Capital Outlay Plan. We need to make the official appropriation, which is included in the budget worksheet, but we can make revisions if needed in July. Recommended tabling the approval of the Capital Outlay Plan until the July Board of Education Meeting.
- 2022-2023 projects will still have concerns with finding people to complete the work. Hoping to have the lighting and sound system for the auditorium done before school starts, but not sure that it will be with our early start date.
- Middle school locks have been on the capital plans for a couple of years, still trying to get this scheduled, but having some difficulty. The locks at YHS were done a few years ago to be in compliance with the fire codes. Exterior locks at YMS were done, but not the internal doors.
- YMS bleachers were planned prior to Covid but got put on hold. Have received an updated quote around \$250,000, but that doesn't include electrical, so we budgeted a little more for this.
- Estimating that after the audit we will have approximately \$300,000 for carry over.
- It's early for 2022-2023 right now anticipating if nothing changes we would have money to put into reserves again.
- If we were able to complete every project on the list, we would be using \$423,000 from reserves to cover all of the costs. It's very unlikely that all of the projects would get done.

Motion by Brown, seconded by Deering, to table the Capital Outlay Plan until the July Board of Education meeting.

Voting Aye: Brown, Cooper, Deering, Galles. Absent: Holtorf Motion carried.

8.4 2022-2023 Budget Approval/Appropriation

- Not much has changed in the past few months on the Budget Review Worksheet, no updates from the State as far as what they will be sending us.
- Received \$85,000 from Boces that isn't included in the worksheet. This will show up in an upcoming change.
- With the audit being scheduled early, we will have a good idea from the audit if we need to make any adjustments based on the October 1 count.

Motion by Brown, second by Galles, to approve the 2022-2023 Budget and Appropriation Resolution as presented.

Voting Aye: Brown, Cooper, Deering, Galles Absent: Holtorf Motion carried.

8.5 Initiative 63 Resolution

- Great Schools Thriving Communities is a group that has been trying to find solutions to the budget shortfalls in education and trying to get us up to levels that are comparable to other states. Colorado is the last in funding for education.
- As proposed, Initiative 63 would help channel an additional nearly \$900 million, without raising taxes, to schools in Colorado. This is money that is already raised in the state, but because of TABOR laws has to be given back as refunds.
- This is not a tax increase as people are already being taxed this amount. It's just if

there is a surplus some of that money would go directly to school funding to help address the chronic shortages in school staff and increase salaries for all staff; including classified, certified, licensed, etc.

Motion by Cooper, second by Deering, to adopt the Resolution to support Initiative 63 as presented.

Voting Aye: Brown, Cooper, Deering, Galles. Absent: Holtorf Motion carried.

9.0 SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

- We have received an official letter for the Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs that we have been removed from the noncompliant list.
- The exterior at YHS looks really nice, the stucco and paint work is almost completed. Had some warranty work done on the inside, had issues with the installation with the floor in the commons area. Have a few other minor warranty pieces but for the most part the original Best Project will be completed soon with the exception of some concrete work, fencing, and sidewalks.
- Abatement is completed for the renovation at the old Ag Shop. Will be starting construction soon, will be able to use some tile and brick that was left over from the Best Grant Project.
- Scheduled for occupancy around November or December. Have had some inquiries about the current District Office building.
- District Office is open Monday through Thursday, might be short staffed some days with staff taking vacations.
- The next Board Meeting is July 28th, with another meeting to follow on August 8th.

10.0 BOARD REPORT

- Vice President Deering won't be able to attend the meeting on August 8th.
- Might need to change the date of the August meeting with the County Fair still going on.
- President Brown will have petitions available for people to pick up if they would like to help circulate petitions for signatures for Initiative 63.

11.0 ADJOURNMENT

The Board Meeting was adjourned at 8:46 P.M. by President Duane Brown.

Motion by Galles, seconded by Brown to adjourn the meeting.

Voting Aye: Brown, Cooper, Deering, Galles. Absent: Holtorf. Motion carried.

Sincerely,



Terri Cooper, Secretary/Treasurer
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Duane Brown, President
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