

YELLOW SPRINGS BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Session **September 13, 2018 – 7:00 p.m.**

Our Vision:
Becoming a school district of creativity and innovation

Our Mission:
Helping all of our students become successful learners and responsible citizens

We welcome you to this meeting of the Yellow Springs Board of Education. The purpose of this meeting is to conduct business before the Board. We are very interested in hearing from you and have set time aside for community comment. So that we may do our work productively and effectively, public comments, statements and concerns are welcomed in the Community Comments portion of the agenda.

Call to Order – The meeting was called to order by President Aida Merhemic at 7:02 p.m.

Roll Call:

Present: Aida Merhemic, Steve Conn, Steve McQueen

Absent: Sylvia Ellison, TJ Turner

0918.05 Approval of Minutes

Motion by Steve McQueen to approve the minutes of the August 9, 2018 Regular Meeting, the August 16, 2018 Special Meeting, and the September 6, 2018 Special Meeting, as presented.

Seconded by Steve Conn.

Vote: Yes – Steve, Steve, Aida

No – None

Absent – TJ, Sylvia

Motion Carried: (3-0-2)

Persons Present – Mario Basora, Dawn Bennett, Matt Housh, Jack Hatert, Donna First, Aimee Maruyama, Nicole Freeman, Corrie VanAusdal, Kate Mooneyham, Jake Freeman, Leslie Scheper, Mike Scheper, Kendra Cipollini, Kate Hamilton, Suzanne Fogarty, Nikki Lange, William Firestone, Jason Clark, Jyoti Miller, Naysan McIlhargey, Jalana Lazar, Zo Van Eaton Meister, Tanja Resch-Jillson, Derek Barker, Liz Robertson, Kathy Adams, Erika Tallet, Lori Clouse, Molly Londe, Spencer Glazer, Carol Simmons.

COMMUNICATIONS PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS:

Communications

Letter from Cara Haywood, dated September 7, 2018

Community Comments

Kathy Adams – Opinion on handling of situation with McK/YSHS Principal

Kate Mooneyham - Opinion on handling of situation with McK/YSHS Principal

Leslie Scheper – Applied for recent board opening but was not chosen. District leadership in the Principal situation and the building levy.

Jalana Lazar – Procedures must be followed with children. How can we move forward.

Minerva Barker/Athena Fannin – Frustrated with the responses to the public records requests. People come to her for information, need transparency.

William Firestone – Would like someone to take responsibility.

Suzanne Fogarty – Principal situation in comparison to medical industry. Asked questions. Superintendent responded by inviting the audience to stay and listen to his presentation on what is being done.

Aimee Maruyama – Shared responsibility with the community.

Nikki Lange – Would like question and answer meeting so that community knows what is going on.

Tanja Resch-Jillson – Not the only one who doesn't have a clear picture of what is going on. We need to have change.

John Hempfling – Would like to hear rationale behind settlement agreement with Principal.

The district needs to protect the privacy of students. We are glad that all of these community members came to the meeting and would like more face to face communication.

Schools in Action

None

Administrative Reports

Elementary Principal

YSHS/McKinney Principal

Student Services Director

TREASURER'S REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Financial Report – August 31, 2018

0918.06 FY19 Permanent Appropriations

Motion by Steve McQueen to adopt the Permanent Appropriations in the amount of \$11,053,062.34 (Fund/Object for General Fund and Fund Level for all funds) for the 2019 fiscal year (July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019), as presented, and approve the Certificate of Availability of Funds for the 2018-2019 Permanent Appropriations.

Seconded by Steve Conn.

Vote: Yes – Steve, Aida, Steve

No – None

Absent – TJ, Sylvia

Motion Carried: (3-0-2)

0918.07 Property and Liability Insurance

Motion by Steve Conn to approve the following school related organizations to be covered under the District's property and liability insurance through Anderson-Williamson Insurance Agency, for the 2018-2019 school year:

Mills Lawn PTO

YSHS/MMS PTO

Athletic Boosters

Theater Arts Association

Seconded by Steve McQueen.

Vote: Yes – Aida, Steve, Steve

No – None

Absent – TJ, Sylvia

Motion Carried: (3-0-2)

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Superintendent Updates:

Semi-Annual Bully Report – Presented the report. Has to be repeated acts. Provided update on what we are doing to address bullying and harassment. The community comments on social media have had an impact on thinking. When having lunch with the high school students disclosed the high school students’ dismay at the community input on social media. Our teachers are hesitant to use social media to communicate what is going on in the classrooms but are afraid of all of the negativity.

Facilities – We will be working with the YS community on developing a collaborative plan of action for our facility needs. Need to renew Permanent Improvement levy in November or we lose \$135,000 per year.

District Goals – Presented the goals for the 2018-19 school year.

0918.08 ADOPTION OF CONSENT CALENDAR – ADMINISTRATIVE

Motion by Steve McQueen to approve the following administrative items with one vote:

Resolution of Intent - Career Tech

to adopt a resolution not to provide career-technical education for students enrolled in grade seven during the 2018-19 school year, as per attached resolution.

School Lunch Prices

to approve a \$0.25 cent increase on the adult school lunch prices for Yellow Springs Schools, for the 2018-2019, school year.

Adult lunch - from \$3.00 to \$3.25 for paid meals

Seconded by Steve Conn.

Vote: Yes – Steve, Steve, Aida

No – None

Absent – TJ, Sylvia

Motion Carried: (3-0-2)

0918.09 ADOPTION OF CONSENT CALENDAR – PERSONNEL

Motion by Steve Conn to approve the following personnel items with one vote:

Employments: Contingent upon completion of all O.R.C. & O.D.E. Employment requirements

Step Advancement: Advancing from Step 6 to Step 7 on the Payroll Schedule

Cara Haywood Assistant to the Treasurer

Step 7 - \$28.31/hr

Effective August 1, 2018

Supplemental (Other): 1-Year Limited Contract (2018-2019 school year)

Staff:

Jennifer Scavone	MLS Professional Development/Exhibition Night Facilitator - \$1,500/yr
Alicia Horvath	McKinney Middle School Student Council - \$982
David Smith	YSHS Leadership Council - \$2,224
Cheryl Lowe	LPDC Chair - \$25/hr/maximum \$1,000
Kristin McNeely	LPDC Member - \$25/hr/maximum \$800
Chris Sidner	LPDC Member - \$25/hr/maximum \$800
Nan Meekin	Senior Class Advisor - \$1,438

Supplemental (Athletics): 1-Year Limited Contract (2018-2019 school year)

Non-Staff:

Stephanie Zinger	McKinney Middle School 7 th Grade Volleyball - \$842 (Previously approved for 8 th Grade Volleyball at \$1,684)
Kerry Crouch	McKinney Middle School 8 th Grade Girls' Basketball - \$1,824
Troy Patterson	McKinney Middle School 7 th Grade Boys' Basketball - \$1,824
Steven Harshaw	McKinney Middle School 8 th Grade Boys' Basketball - \$1,824
Nicholas Minnich	Reserve Girls' Basketball - \$3,122
Phillip Renfro	Reserve Boys' Basketball - \$3,122
Naomi Hyatt	Cheerleader Advisor - \$1,333
Naomi Hyatt	Cheerleader Advisor - \$666.50

Volunteer Coaches:

Allan Harris	Girls' Basketball
Margaret Swanson	Swimming
Franklin Halley	Swimming
Sharon Miller	Bowling

Substitutes: 1-Year Limited Contract (2018-2019 school year)

Teacher (\$90.00/day, \$45.00/half)

Ara Beal
Charles Bell
Elaina Cromer
Elliot Cromer
Carlos Landaburu
Dianne Light
Josh Mabra
Emily Michael
Lynn Millar
Leslie Scheper

Custodian (\$11.00/hr)

Jerry Upton

Custodian (\$14.84/hr)

Jane Jako

Indoor/Outdoor Maintenance (\$14.84/hr)

Tim Sandlin

Miller Fellowships: Yellow Springs Community Foundation Grant 2018-19 school year

Caitlin Bove	MMS/YSHS Special Education - \$12.00/hr
Nadia Mulhall	MLS Kindergarten - \$12.00/hr
Sophia Singer	YSHS Project-based Learning - \$12.00/hr

Seconded by Steve McQueen.

Vote: Yes – Steve, Aida, Steve

No – None

Absent – TJ, Sylvia

Motion Carried: (3-0-2)

BOARD COMMUNICATIONS:

Special Meeting for Executive Session on September 25, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

Greene County Career Center report

Steve Conn – School facility levy on ballot November 6, 2018

Other Board members’ items

None

0918.10 Executive Session

Motion by Steve McQueen to go into Executive Session at 8:47 p.m. for discussion of:

Superintendent’s Evaluation

Seconded by Aida Merhemic.

Vote: Yes – Aida, Steve, Steve

No – None

Absent – TJ, Sylvia

Motion Carried: (3-0-2)

The board returned to open session at 9:11 p.m.

0918.11 Adjournment

Motion by Steve Conn to adjourn the meeting at 9:11 p.m.

Seconded by Steve McQueen.

Voice Call: All ayes; Sylvia, absent; TJ, absent.

Motion Carried: (3-0-2)

Aida Merhemic, President

Date

Dawn M. Bennett, Treasurer

Date

REPORTS SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION ARE AVAILABLE IN A PERMANENT FILE AT THE DISTRICT OFFICE