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Yorkville CUSD 115 Board of Education Meeting Summary
Monday, May 19, 2025 | Yorkville High School Library

Meeting Highlights:

Heart of the Fox Recognition:

- Yorkville Transition Program:
 - Michelle Bodi, YTP Coordinator, introduced the Graduating Class of 2025. Those receiving diplomas included: Matthew Acevedo Kraus; Nicholas Cumbo; Liam Flaherty; Kaden Gerl; Emily Huelhorst; and Caleb Kuchar-Christl.
- Early Childhood Center
 - Amy Schultz, ECC Principal, shared a slide show on how the ECC team has been building connections with each other, the community, and the district throughout the year.

Public Comments:

- Two members of the public voiced their opinions during the public comment portion of the board meeting. The comments pertained to a disconnect between the correct support a child should receive based on their behavior at school versus at home, and how a parent feels the district is in violation of school policy by not protecting their child's safety after a teacher said they were going to punch them.

Board Comments:

- Joseph Rand - Mr. Rand attended an Indian Valley Vocational Center (IVVC) board meeting where a number of Yorkville students received awards and scholarships.
- Darren Crawford - Mr. Crawford mentioned that the Yorkville Symphony Orchestra had an amazing performance that included choir and band in a compilation arrangement. He will be judging a PLTW competition, and the district will be purchasing a telescope for astronomy.
- Dr. Jason Demas - Dr. Demas requested a consensus vote to have the demographer attend a special meeting for the public to hear and review the report in detail. The motion was approved as presented.

Consent Agenda:

- The Consent Agenda included the following:
 - Approved minutes from the April 28, 2025, Board of Education Meeting
 - April 28, 2025, Executive Session
 - May 12, 2025, Committee Meeting
 - Activities Fund Report for April 2025
 - Bills and Claims for April 2025 for \$1,110,312.22
 - Bills and Claims for May 2025 for \$3,086,994.03
 - 1 FOIA requests
 - Destroy the July 17, 2023, Executive Session minutes.
- The Consent Agenda was approved as presented.

Consent/Action Personnel:

- Personnel Committee Report
 - Dr. Nick Baughman, Associate Superintendent of Human Resources, mentioned that the committee reviewed the addition of 1.0 FTE EL Teacher for the Early Childhood Center and Seasonal Maintenance Personnel.
- Seasonal Maintenance Personnel
 - The Facility Operations Department has identified the need to employ seasonal workers during times when school is not in session. The department is requesting up to 15 positions. The seasonal staff will assist current District staff and will be assigned to a variety of projects and tasks to improve the District's buildings and grounds.

Seasonal staff will assist in a combination of unskilled and semi-skilled duties to include but is not limited to: mowing grass, edging, and pulling weeds; painting (interior and exterior); summer cleaning; and general labor. The motion was approved as presented.

- Addition of 1.0 FTE EL Teacher for the Early Childhood Center
 - At present, the Early Childhood Center (ECC) lacks a dedicated English Learner (EL) Teacher to support students in acquiring English. While several ECC teachers hold ESL certifications, the growing number of multilingual students requiring intensive language support necessitates the addition of a specialized English Learner (EL) Teacher at ECC. The consistent enrollment of identified students has created a clear need for additional staff, particularly as we consider the increasing linguistic diversity within the district. The motion was approved as presented.
- Summer School Request to Hire
 - The Yorkville CUSD 115 hiring for the 24-25 summer school program was approved as presented.
- Personnel Report

- The co-curricular hires, overloads, transfers, resignations, co-curricular resignations, retirements, and leaves of absence were approved as presented.

Consent/Action Teaching and Learning:

- Teaching and Learning Committee Report
 - Leslie Smogor, Board of Education Vice President, mentioned that the Yorkville High School Instructional Resource for Foods was reviewed and displayed.

Consent/Action Finance and Infrastructure:

- Finance and Infrastructure Committee Report
 - Mike Houston, Board Member, reviewed the agenda items discussed at the May Committee Meeting for Finance and Infrastructure:
 - Demographer Report
 - County Transition Land Cash Resolution
 - FY25 Budget Amendment
 - Yorkville Middle School Parking Lot Restoration/Replacement
 - Yorkville Middle School Roof Restoration
 - Sealcoating and Striping Contract Extension 2025
 - Turf Rental Process
 - Yorkville Education Foundation MOU
- Treasurer Report
 - Kreg Wesley, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services, presented the Treasurer Report for April 2025: Investment summary for the month end of April 2025, Insurance Fund Statement, April 2025, Treasurer Report, April 2025, Taxes Received, Outstanding State Payments, April 2025 Transition Fees, April 2025, GRES Transition fees for April 2025, and Revenue Expended in April 2025. Mr. Wesley discussed the following highlights:
 - Local revenues are at \$39.3M of the \$79.4M budgeted (49%)
 - Investment income is \$2.4M of the \$3.1M budgeted (77%)
 - State funds are at \$27.5M of the \$35.5M budgeted (77%)
 - Federal Funds are at \$3.7M of the \$3.8M budgeted (95%)
 - FY25 Net Position for Fund 12: -\$583,350.00
 - The Treasurer's Report was approved as presented.
- County Transition Land Cash Resolution
 - Kendall County collects Land Cash fees on behalf of Yorkville Community Unit School District 115 for residential developments located outside the City of Yorkville limits. Since our last request, the County has collected an additional \$395,938.49 in Land Cash funds for the District.

These funds are available for use upon formal Board approval via resolution. We propose to allocate the full amount to support the Yorkville Middle School Roofing Project, which has an estimated total cost of \$571,000. The Land Cash funds will

significantly offset the District's out-of-pocket expenses for this necessary capital improvement. The motion was approved as presented.

- **FY25 Budget Amendment**

- In September 2024, Mr. Wesley, Assistant Superintendent of Business, submitted a balanced budget to the Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE). As part of regular fiscal oversight, amendments are sometimes necessary to ensure continued alignment with ISBE requirements and evolving district needs. The Y115 administration recommends initiating a budget amendment process beginning May 19, 2025.

The proposed amendment would allow the district to utilize final audited financial data to ensure compliance with ISBE guidance on administrative cost thresholds and to pre-fund capital expenses associated with the district's temporary structures.

Both the Operations and Maintenance Fund and the Working Cash Fund are projected to close the fiscal year with surpluses.

To support the planned capital expenditures, the administration proposes a series of interfund transfers totaling at least \$5 million: \$4 million from the Working Cash Fund (Fund 70) to the Operations and Maintenance Fund (Fund 20); and \$1 million from the Operations and Maintenance Fund (Fund 20) to the Capital Projects Fund (Fund 60).

These transfers will reduce the Working Cash Fund balance from \$5 million to \$1 million. The Board of Education may consider replenishing this fund through the 2025 Tax Levy, depending on final Evidence-Based Funding allocations. The financial strategy has been reviewed and is supported by Moody's Financial Services.

Despite these movements, all funds are expected to remain in good standing as of the fiscal year-end on June 30. The net surplus in Fund 20 will be reduced by approximately \$1 million. The motion was approved as presented.

- **Yorkville Middle School Parking Lot Restoration/Replacement**

- The parking lot located at Yorkville Middle School is in need of replacement. The existing parking lot was installed in 2008. The District's maintenance department has maintained the lot over the last five years by sealcoating and pothole patching. The District has exhausted all options to try to prolong the life of the parking lot and would like to move forward with a total replacement.

This project is part of the District's long-term Capital Projects Plan and will be funded out of the 2024/2025 fiscal year budget. The District has received a quote from Denler Inc. and used the state's cooperative purchasing agreement through Equalis Group.

The cost for this project will be approximately \$717,026.96. This is an estimated cost and does not include unknowns that could occur during this project. The contingency budget (10% of the project cost) will be utilized for this purpose if necessary. The motion was approved as presented.

- Yorkville Middle School Roof Restoration
 - The Yorkville Middle School roof is 17 years old. While the roof is not at the life expectancy of the typical 20 years. The District has had some issues with leaking in the educational wings and would like to address this problem now by completing a roof restoration/replacement on approximately 55,000 square feet.

This project is part of a long-term Capital Projects Plan and will be funded out of the fiscal year 2025 budget. The bidding process with Garland Commercial Roofing is now complete, and the Administration would like to move forward to secure installation dates for this project over the summer. The project cost is approximately \$572,407.00 with contingencies for any unknowns that could occur during this restoration project. The motion was approved as presented.

- Sealcoating and Striping Contract Extension 2025
 - The sealcoating and striping contract allows for an annual extension in successive one-year terms. Denler, Inc., was awarded the contract for the District's sealcoating and striping during the 2021-2022 school year. The District is recommending to renew the sealcoating and striping contract for the 2025-2026 school year.

This expenditure will come out of the 2025-2026 Operations and Maintenance budget. The total cost will be \$186,349.83. The motion was approved as presented.

- Turf Rental Process
 - The District presented a recommendation for the Turf Field Rental Process. In 2022, the District reorganized our 3rd party procedures. When they were board-approved, the District agreed to revisit the rental of the turf fields when that project was completed. After meeting with District Administrators and athletics, research was conducted on the processes that neighboring districts use for turf field rental, and then the District developed a proposal. The motion was approved as presented.

- Yorkville Education Foundation MOU
 - A Memorandum of Understanding was drafted by the district attorneys between the Yorkville Educational Foundation and the district that memorializes the relationship. The MOU also preserves the roles of the members and notes that Board of Education members will abstain from voting on any items regarding the foundation. The motion was approved as presented.

Superintendent Communication:

- Superintendent Dr. Matt Zediker recognized six staff members who will be retiring this year. Dr. Zediker will hand-deliver a gift for their dedication and commitment to the district. Retirees included:

Dr. Zediker mentioned that he attended the high school graduation ceremony on Friday and thanked the high school staff for a job well done. Dr. Zediker attended the high school student of the year award ceremony hosted by the Division Chairs, thanked the elementary schools for the amazing help with the new tradition of a YHS Senior Walk event, and mentioned the amazing ECC Family Day event at the Yorkville Sports Dome. Dr. Zediker also mentioned the exciting finale to the season for VEX Robotics as they competed at Worlds.

The regular Board of Education meeting adjourned. There was no Executive Session.

Upcoming meetings:

- The Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 9, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. at the District Administration Center (800 Game Farm Road).
- The Regular Board of Education meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 23, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. This meeting will be held at the Yorkville High School Library.