

Yelm Community Schools, District No. 2

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MINUTES

of a Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

Thursday, May 22, 2025

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Debbie Edwards, Bill Hauss, Denise Hendrickson, Casey Shaw
Excused – Frank King

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT

Samantha Blank, Hannah Hiiva, Sofie Miera, Lucia Mohrweis, Kailey Slevin

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT

Holly Ackerman, Erin Bayer, Mark Bowden, DeeDee Buckingham, Lisa Cadero-Smith, Jennifer Carrougher, Curtis Cleveringa, Lisa Crowell, Becky Fowler, Jodi Jarmin, Jonathan Maynard, Teri Melone, Shannon Powell, Starla Watson, Chris Woods

CALLED TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Denise Hendrickson called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

AUDIENCE

Distinguished Leadership Award

Honoring district office and building leaders who demonstrate exceptional vision, leadership, and dedication, fostering a culture of excellence, collaboration, and student success throughout the district.

Director of Technology – Jonathan Maynard
Assistant Superintendent – Dr. Lisa Cadero-Smith
Director, Office of Student Support – Shannon Powell
Chief Financial Officer – Jennifer Carrougher
Director of Human Resources – DeeDee Buckingham
Director of Operations & CTE – Teri Melone

Superintendent's Comments – No additional report

Community Comments

Comments were presented on an agenda item: Tasha Johnson; Non-agenda item: Adriane Brownfield & Kay Anderson.

SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES – APPROVED

April 17, 2025 – Regular Board Meeting
M/Debbie Edwards; S/Bill Hauss; Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

INDIVIDUAL CONTRACTS – APPROVED

New Hires		
Name	Position	Effective Date
Braden Castleberry-Taylor	YHS Teacher Science	9/3/2025
Abigail Du Plessis	RMS Teacher Math	9/3/2025

Dustin Evans	YHS Teacher ELA	9/3/2025 One Year Only
Laura Garcia	OSS ESA School Psychologist	9/3/2025
Hannah Loken	YMS Teacher Math	9/3/2025
Keith McLaren	YMS Special Educ. LRC	9/3/2025
Bethany Murphy	YHS OP III Counselors	9/1/2025
Emma Stepan	SW OP II Attendance	9/3/2025
LEAVE OF ABSENCE		
Name	Position	Effective Date
Tiana Giesy	Food Service Cafeteria Worker	5/19/2025 - 5/19/2026
Christianne Smith	YHS Teacher World Language	.20 LOA 25/26 School Year
RESIGNATIONS/RETIREMENTS/TERMINATIONS		
Name	Position	Effective Date
Clara Allida	OSS Behavior Support Assist.	OYO Resignation 5/2/2025
Jamie Connally	YMS Spec. Education Teacher LRC	Resignation 6/30/2025
Luann Easley	PR Para Instructional	Retirement 8/31/2025
Paulina Flores Hernandez	OSS Para Instructional ML	Resignation 6/16/2025
Anna Flott	MK Para Instructional	Resignation 6/3/2025
Caleb Hoffman	PR Para SPED Program FLC	Resignation 6/13/2025
Brandy Kile	SW Para SPED LRC	Resignation 6/16/2025
Ronald Kretschmer	YMS Para SPED Program 1:1 LRC	Resignation 5/9/2025
Caitlynn Overman	SW Para SPED LRC	Resignation 6/16/2025
Melissa Palmer	SW Teacher Elementary Music	Resignation 6/30/2025
Timothy Tsugawa	YHS Coach Assistant Football	Resignation 5/9/2025
Bethany Wennerstrom	YMS Teacher English Lang. Arts	Resignation 6/30/2025
Bryan Wooldridge	YHS Teacher Physics	Retirement 6/30/2025
STAFFING CHANGES		
Name	From/To	Date
Jessica Diamond	Library Technician YMS	OYO to Continuing 9/1/2025
Hillary Hull	Teacher CTE WBL to CTE Instr. Coach	9/3/2025
Deborah Noe	OP II YES	OYO to Continuing 9/1/2025
STIPENDS/SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACTS		
\$25,572.71		

M/Casey Shaw; S/Bill Hauss; Motion carried unanimously.

ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS – APPROVED

Powerlifting Parents, Powerlift Donations.....	\$150.00
Harmony Lodge #18, 12 Bikes for 6 elementary schools.....	\$1,500.00
Shur-Kleen Car Wash, 360 car washes for teacher appreciation	\$5,400.00
Yelm FFA Alumni, 2025 State Convention	\$9,500.00
The Outpost church, NYC Choir Trip.....	\$3,000.00
Professional contract Services, 2025 Unified Prom.....	\$1,000.00

M/Bill Hauss; S/Casey Shaw; Motion carried unanimously.

OUT-OF-DISTRICT TRAVEL – APPROVED

YHS Fastpitch to Richland, WA, May 22-24, 2025, to participate in the state tournament, 16 students and 2 chaperones.

M/Bill Hauss; S/Casey Shaw; Motion carried unanimously.

CELL PHONE POLICY UPDATE

Superintendent Chris Woods and student leaders presented an update on the cell phone policy.

RESOLUTION 06-24-25 - APPROVED

Interfund Transfer

M/Debbie Edwards; S/Bill Hauss; Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION 07-24-25 -APPROVED

Interfund Loan

M/Bill Hauss; S/Debbie Edwards; Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION 08-24-25 – APPROVED

Delegating Authority to WIAA

M/Bill Hauss; S/Debbie Edwards; Motion carried unanimously.

VOUCHERS AND PAYROLL - APPROVED

A. General Fund	# 70152016- 70152163	
	#70152185 - 70152230	\$1,503,758.74
B. ASB Fund	# 70409840 - 70409871	\$107,347.62
C. Capital Projects Fund	# 70501813 - 70501819	\$130,347.62
D. Comp Tax	# 112300017 – 202100167	\$4,956.56
E. April Payroll		\$6,212,278.11

M/Debbie Edwards; S/Bill Hauss; Motion carried unanimously.

FACILITIES REPORT – APPROVED

Public Works:

Project #	Amount	Vendor/Reason
02.24	\$32,833.18	INSI – District Wide Technology Updates
17.24	\$4,073.40	Cascade Fire & Security – 5YR Sprinkler Head Service - TRANS
22.24	\$348,210.00	Wayne’s Roofing Inc. – Roof Replacement – DO
28.24	\$5,858.25	Advanced Classroom Technologies – PAC Video Overflow Upgrade – YHS
51.24	\$10,888.13	Wood & Link Fence Co – Fence Installation – SW
57.24	\$3,673.54	Cascade Fire & Security – Air Compressor Replacement – LK
58.24	\$5,403.83	Cascade Fire & Security – Dry System Pipe Repairs – RMS
70.24	\$52,339.79	Sare Electric Inc. – Emergency Power Outage Repair – YMS
75.24	\$3,865.04	Hermanson Co LLC – Steam Boiler Pump Replacement – YHS
87.24	\$1,412.68	Hermanson Co LLC - Service Breaker, Thermal Overloads, and Burnt Wires Replacement - PR
89.24	\$782.38	Drain Pro – Emergency Drain Cleaning Service – YES
92.24	\$1,368.75	MB Electric - Emergency Electrical Troubleshoot/ Repair to Hot Water Tank Burnt Wires - SW
95.24	\$1,192.12	Hermanson Co LLC – Portable 10 Bard Unit Repair – LK
96.24	\$727.46	Hermanson Co LLC – Boiler 1 Leak Troubleshoot – YHS
97.24	\$727.46	Hermanson Co LLC – Gym Weight Room No Heat Troubleshoot – YHS
98.24	\$1,048.90	Hermanson Co LLC – Storage Tank Float Repair – YHS
99.24	\$5,346.16	Sound Electronics – Emergency Notifier Panel Replacement – LK
107.24	\$950.21	Performance Systems Integration – Alarm System Service Call – MK
108.24	\$1,916.92	Performance Systems Integration – Emergency Fire Alarm Panel Service Call – LK

M/Debbie Edwards; S/Bill Hauss; Motion carried unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

No additional report. Chief Financial Officer Jennifer Carrouger was available to answer questions. She announced that the audit report was issued today and is available on the district website. There is a finding, and this is due to the district being placed under binding conditions.

STUDENT ENROLLMENT REPORT

May 2025	5486 HC	5356.04 FTE (153.96 < 5510.00)
April 2025	5511 HC	5376.93 FTE (133.07 < 5510.00)
May 2024	5623 HC	

INTERVIEWS FOR STUDENTS ON GOVERNING BOARDS

School board members interviewed 5 candidates.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – 7:41 P.M.

President Denise Hendrickson recessed the regular meeting at 7:41 p.m. for an executive session to evaluate the qualifications of candidates for appointment to the school board RCW 42.30.110 (1) (h). She stated the board would be in executive session until 7:55 p.m. The board is expected to take further action following the executive session.

RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION – 7:55 P.M.

President Denise Hendrickson called the meeting back to order at 7:55 p.m. She announced the board was returning from an executive session where they evaluated the candidates for appointments to the school board.

SELECTION OF STUDENTS ON GOVERNING BOARDS - APPROVED

President Denise Hendrickson announced the students to serve on the board as follows:

Rebecca Rankin – Junior Representative

Cali Stein – Junior Representative

Ayden Williams – Junior Representative

M/Debbie Edwards; S/Bill Hauss; Motion carried unanimously.

BOARD COMMENTS

Board members commented on:

- Congratulations to the members of the Cabinet and Jonathan Maynard.
- Day of Champions is June 4

Student Representatives commented on:

- Appreciate the cell phone policy.
- Congratulations to YHS Fastpitch
- Unified Prom will be held on May 30

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Chris Woods commented on:

- Budget has been signed by the Governor.
- With the pending tax increases in our state, what does that mean for us and a levy?
- Thank you, Senior Student Reps, you will be missed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – 8:18 P.M.

President Denise Hendrickson recessed the regular meeting at 8:18 p.m. for an executive session to review the performance of a public employee RCW 42.30.110(1)(g). She stated the board would return from the executive session at 8:50 p.m. The board is expected to take further action following the executive session.

At 8:50 p.m., President Denise Hendrickson announced that the executive session would be extended for 5 minutes until 8:55 p.m.

RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION – 8:55 P.M.

President Denise Hendrickson called the meeting back to order at 8:55 p.m. She announced that the board was returning from an executive session, during which they reviewed the performance of a public employee.

SUPERINTENDENTS CONTRACT – APPROVED

M/Casey Shaw; S/Bill Hauss; Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT – 9:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Approved by:

/S/ Chris M. Woods
Secretary to the Board

/S/ Denise Hendrickson
Board President