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Yorkville CUSD 115 Board of Education Meeting Summary  
Monday, September 22, 2025 | Yorkville High School Library

**Executive Session:**

- *After the meeting was called to order at 5:45 p.m., a motion was made to move into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing "Self Evaluation, practices and procedures or professional ethics, when meeting with a representative of a statewide association of which the public body is a member" 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(16), "The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel of the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity" 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), and Litigation, when an action against, affecting, or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending in a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that such an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting." 5ILCS 120/2(c)(11).*

**Public Hearing on Proposed FY26 Budget**

- Presentation of Proposed Budget
  - At 7:00 p.m., a motion was made to move into a Public Hearing on the proposed FY26 Budget. The hearing included an overview of the proposed FY26 budget and a review of the major changes in the proposed budget from the tentative budget. The hearing is also an opportunity for members of the public to ask questions and make comments on the FY26 Budget. There were no questions from the public and the hearing adjourned.

**Meeting Highlights:**

**Heart of the Fox:**

- Bristol Bay Elementary School
  - Dr. Katie Spallasso, the principal of BBES, presented the school's theme for the year: 'Everyday Matters.' Dr. Spallasso also highlighted three new initiatives at BBES: the 'Wheel of Pride,' the 'Strengthening Our Steps' program, and the new

temporary structure, which houses the 4th graders and is the only one to do so in the district.

**Public Comments:**

- No public comments

**Consent Agenda:**

- The Consent Agenda included the following:
  - Approved minutes from the August 25, 2025, Board of Education Meeting
  - August 25, 2025, Executive Session
  - September 8, 2025, Committee Meeting
  - September 8, 2025, Executive Session
  - Activities Fund Report for August 2025
  - Bills and Claims for August 2025 for \$1,308,458.65
  - Bills and Claims for September 2025 for \$2,618,172.48
  - 9 FOIA requests
  - Destroy the November 27, 2023, Executive Session minutes.The Consent Agenda was approved as presented.

**Consent/Action Finance and Infrastructure:**

- Finance and Infrastructure Committee Report
  - FY26 Budget Update
- EOSullivan Update
  - Mr. Collin Corbett from EOSullivan provided a Facility Master Plan update. Mr. Corbett reviewed all of the feedback from the community committee meetings, public engagement sessions, online feedback, and phone surveys. Overall feedback has been strongly positive.
- Treasurer Report
  - Kreg Wesley, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services, presented the Treasurer Report for August 2025: Investment summary for the month end of August 2025, Insurance Fund Statement, August 2025, Treasurer Report, August 2025, Taxes Received, Outstanding State Payments, August 2025 Transition Fees, August 2025, GRES Transition Fees for August 2025, and Revenue Expended in August 2025. Mr. Wesley discussed the following highlights based on the proposed annual budget:
    - Local revenues are at \$4,899,900 (6.17%)
    - Investment income is at \$502,000 (15.78%)
    - State funds are at \$2.76M (9.5%)
    - Federal Funds are at \$1.2M (31%)
    - FY26 Net Position for Fund 12: -\$93,833
  - The Treasurer's Report was approved as presented.
- FY26 Proposed Budget

- The Board of Education must formally approve the District's budget annually to meet statutory requirements. In preparation for the final proposed budget, a Tentative Budget was prepared, approved by the Board of Education, and placed on public display for 30 days. Notification of the public display was made via publication in the newspaper of local distribution.  
The motion was approved as presented.

**Consent/Action Personnel:**

- Personnel Committee Report
  - Board member, Julie Hart, presented the following report
    - 1.0 FTE Paraprofessional Addition
- 2024-2025 Retention Data Report
  - Dr. Baughman provided a multi-year summary of the certified staff retention rate and discussed the current and future retention strategies.
- 2024-2025 Compensation Report
  - In accordance with Illinois Public Act 97-0256, each year, public school districts are required to publish the employee compensation report for all Teacher Retirement System (TRS) employees. Additionally, school districts are required to publish all Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund (IMRF) employees who make more than \$75,000.00 annually. The report reflects Fiscal Year '25 employee compensation. Language Teacher starting in the 2025-2026 school year.  
The motion was approved as presented.
- 1.0 FTE Paraprofessional Addition
  - The Student Service Department is requesting the addition of a 1.0 FTE paraprofessional to support a newly enrolled student in D115 who has an IEP at Yorkville Intermediate School. After reviewing the IEP, the Student Service Department has determined that a paraprofessional is necessary to meet the needs of the student in the general education setting to provide supports in the least restrictive environment.  
The motion 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
  - Board of Education Vice President, Leslie Smogor, presented the following report: Yorkville High School Foreign Language Division Grading Restructure Proposal
- Yorkville High School World Language Division Grading Restructure Proposal

- The Yorkville High School World Language Division proposed an update to its course weighting, seeking for all Level 2 language courses to be graded as unweighted, with all Level 3 and Level 4 courses receiving weighted credit. Prior to submission of this recommendation, the Yorkville High School team engaged in an analysis of the current courses and levels, regional comparisons, and a review of possible implications. Following discussion at the September 8 Committee of the Whole and additional research by the Yorkville High School and Teaching & Learning teams, ongoing research into Level 2 will continue. Pending approval, Levels 3 and 4 will be weighed. The motion was tabled until the October Board of Education meeting.

**Superintendent Communication:**

- Dr. Zediker shared celebrations throughout the district, including the 2nd Annual Language Achievement Awards, 9th, 10th, and 11th graders took the PreACT last week, and Homecoming Week is on its way.

**Board Comments:**

- Mr. Crawford is in the process of getting two internships at Fermilab.
- Mr. Rand announced the Marching Foxes took 3rd place this past weekend at NIU and thanked all of the volunteers who helped throughout the day.
- Mrs. Smogor reminded everyone that the State of the District Luncheon is at Whitetail Ridge Golf Course tomorrow.

The regular Board of Education meeting adjourned.

**Upcoming meetings:**

- The Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 6, 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, September 27, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. This meeting will be held at the Yorkville High School Library.