



Yoncalla School District
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
REGULAR MEETING

May 7, 2026

295 5th Street

Yoncalla School Board Meeting Room

Yoncalla, OR 97499

School Board email: ysd.schoolboard@yoncalla.k12.or.us

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BOARD MEMBER PRESENT

Della Orcutt, Chair

Cathey Grimes, Vice-Chair

Fawn Sybrant

Lisa Frasier

Twila McDonald-Absent

Quincy Converse, School Board Student Representative

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT

Brian Berry

Chelsea Ross

Lancelot Falcon

Megan Barber

Hanna Drennen

Kelly LaRoque

Angie Brownson

Cody Reed

Beth Durbin

Laurie Simlerness

- 5:00 PM**
- I. CALL TO ORDER.** Chair Orcutt called the meeting to order, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Also present, Lily Reyes, Kaelynn Danielson, Edward Renfroe, Kimberly Feddern, Will Renfroe, parents, students, staff and community members.
- II. AWARDS, RECONGNITION AND CORRESPONDENCE**
- A. Student of the Month Awards were presented to Amaya Olsen, Jessie Leavell, Natalie Powers, Karter Thompson, Haley Tibbatts, Kaelynn Danielson
- B. Swearing in of Student School Board Representative, Quincy Converse
- III. PUBLIC FORUM.**
- The public is invited to attend board meetings, and will be given a limited time of 3 (three) minutes per person to voice any opinions or problems, except that public or board criticism of personnel of the district will be heard only in executive session. Such items should be brought to the attention of the superintendent at least 5 (five) business days prior to the board meeting. Public Forum is limited to 30 minutes.** None.
- IV. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA.** Awards, Recognition and Correspondence, Item B, swearing in of Student School Board Representative, Quincy Converse, to be moved to the June 2026 agenda. Director Grimes made a motion to approve the consent agenda as adjusted, Director Frasier seconded, passed unanimously with Directors Orcutt, Grimes, Sybrant and Frasier voting yes.
- V. CONSENT AGENDA**
- A. Minutes of the Board Meeting April 16, 2026
- B. Accounts Payable/Funding Update
- C. Consider for Approval, hiring of Nicole Thompson for MS/HS Office Manager and Registrar
- Director Grimes made a motion to approve, Director Sybrant seconded, passed unanimously with Directors Orcutt, Grimes, Sybrant and Frasier voting yes.

VI. INFORMATION ITEM

A. Board Policies, First Read

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| • BBAA | • BBE | • BBE AR |
| • BCB | • BD | • BDC |
| • BDD | • BDDC | • BDDG |
| • CBA | • CBG | • DBEA |
| • EBB | • EBBA | • ECAA |
| • GBA | • GBA AR | • GBA/JBA |
| • GCBDA/GCBDA AR | • GCBDD/GDBDD | • JBA/GBN |

VII. REPORTS

A. **Preschool Report.** Preschool Director Megan Barber, shared the following:

- Working on Mother's Day, or other special person gifts.
- Last governance committee had a full house.
- Focus on upcoming events, updating/ reviewing preschool handbook.
- Home visit flyers with information about the bus.
- Soft start schedule.
- Preschool game night-every family was able to take a game home.

B. **Elementary Report**-Elementary Principal Falcon shared the following:

- Finishing state testing, practicing typing.
- Celebrating staff appreciation.
- Bottle Drop is funding end of school year field trips.
- Shout out to Lacy and Duane (Midco) for all their work on this.
- Using the green house, with the help of Theresa Takencareof and Yoncalla Betterment.

C. **High School Report.** High School Principal Ross shared the following:

- The District has been awarded a \$50,000 grant for the CTE program, from the Ford Family Foundation.
- Rain water collection to support the greenhouses during the drought.
- Culinary classes baked "Three Tier Cakes" made empanadas, and also planted corn in the green house.
- Kristy Westbrook is helping seniors apply for scholarships, they have received 18 awards from UCC for this year's seniors.
- Also, one of the graduating seniors has received the Ford Family Scholarship.

D. **School Nurse Report.** School Nurse Beth Durbin shared the following:

- WIC clinic last month-four families signed up, and 1000 diapers were given out.
- Another large Columbia donation, an entire box of "little clothes" was available for the North County Roundup.

E. **Financial Report**-Business Manager Kelly LaRoque shared the following:

- The district is maintaining a strong financial position.
- Revenues and expenditures overview for April 2026.
- The district has received 102% of revenues.
- The district has spent 63% of budgeted expenditures.

F. **Superintendent Report**-Superintendent Brian Berry the following:

- YSD total enrollment-283 students
- Grand Stand Project is ready to go, and scheduled to begin on May 25th.
- CEP-Lacy McHaffie completed and submitted the paperwork, and the district is approved for CEP until 2030.

- Summer Learning Grant- Hanna Drennen completed and submitted this grant, her application was approved, second out of 143 applications.
- Austin Buchert arranged for the trusses to be inspected, they are in good condition, and he will be following up with the recommended 5-year annual inspections.

VIII. ACTION ITEMS

- Consider for approval Superintendent Contract.** Director Frasier made a motion to approve the superintendent contract with a \$120,000 salary, Director seconded, motion approved 3 to 1 with Directors Orcutt, Sybrant, Frasier voting yes, and Director Grimes abstaining.
- Consider for Approval 26-27 Douglas ESD Special Education Contract.** Director Sybrant made a motion to approve Director Frasier seconded, passed 3 to 1, with Directors Grimes, Sybrant and Frasier voting yes, and Director Orcutt abstaining.
- Consider for Approval 26-27 Douglas ESD SEECs Contract.** Director Frasier made a motion to approve, Director Sybrant seconded, 3 to 1 with Directors Grimes, Sybrant and Frasier voting yes, and Director Orcutt abstaining.
- Consider for Approval, Hiring of Raina Rausch for YMS/YHS Special Education Teacher.** Director Frasier made a motion to approve, Director Grimes seconded, passed unanimously with Directors Orcutt, Grimes, Sybrant and Frasier voting yes.
- Consider for Approval, Intrafund Transfer, 2025-2026-04.** Director Frasier made a motion to approve, Director Sybrant seconded, passed unanimously with Directors Orcutt, Grimes, Sybrant and Frasier voting yes.

IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Budget Committee Meeting, following regular board meeting
- Graduation, Saturday, May 30 at 4:00 PM, in the High School Gymnasium
- Next School Board Meeting, 6:00 PM, June 18, 2026
- School Board Development, July 10th, 2026 - July 16th, 2026

X. ADJOURN.

Director Frasier made a motion to adjourn, Director Grimes seconded, meeting was adjourned at 6:00 PM.