YONCALLA SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING
September 18, 2025
292 5th Street, Yoncalla
Yoncalla School Board Meeting Room
Yoncalla, OR 97499

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BOARD MEMBER PRESENT	ADMINISTRATION PRESENT	
Cathey Grimes, Vice-Chair	Brian Berry	Kelly LaRoque
Della Orcutt, Chair	Chelsea Ross	Cody Reed
Fawn Sybrant	Lancelot Falcon	Laurie Simleness
Lisa Frasieur-Absent	Megan Barber	
Twila McDonald		

6:02 PM **I. CALL TO ORDER.** Chair Orcutt called the meeting to order, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

II. AWARDS, RECONGNITION AND CORRESPONDANCE

A. Student of the Month Awards give to Evan VanDeventer, Alia Land, Lucy Barber, Elsa Cameron and Riley Walters.

PUBLIC FORUM

III. **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 will be limited to 30 minutes.** None.

IV. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA. Action Item C - Consider for Approval High School Bonfire, Action Item D - Consider for Approval High School Car Smash Fundraiser. Director Grimes made a motion to approve the agenda as adjusted, Director Sybrant seconded, passed unanimously with Directors Sybrant, Grimes, McDonald, and Orcutt voting yes.

V. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Minutes of the Board Meeting, August 20, 2025
B. Accounts Payable/Funding Update
C. Board Policies

- BBFA G1
- DBEA G1
- GCBD_GDBD G1
- IGBAB_JO R G1
- IKF G1
- JHCA G1
- LBEA G1
- BHD G1
- DBEA G2
- GCBDE_GDBDE G1
- IGBHD G1
- JFCEB G1
- JO_IGBAB R G1
- CEA G1
- DJ R G1
- IFG1
- IIA G1
- JFCEB R G1
- JOA G1

Director McDonald made a motion to approve of the Consent Agenda, Director Grimes seconded, Directors Sybrant, Grimes, McDonald, Sybrant and Orcutt voting yes, passed unanimously.

VI. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. **District Goals for 2025-2026.** Superintendent Berry shared the 2025-2026 District Goals, which are based on the District Priorities and board feedback.

B. **Safety Protocols.** Principal Falcon shared the Safety Protocols, which will be standardized district wide, for clarity, efficiency and best practice communication.

VII. REPORTS

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

- Preschool is full for this year.
- Preschool Soft Start, which also included sub training.
- Goals for this year are communications and consistency, including a communications survey, but she is also finding that one on one conversations have been very insightful.

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

- Very successful ice cream social open house
- A yearlong bottle drop fundraising
- A Fall Reading Festival scheduled for Oct. 29th. There will be food, and all families will walk out with a book.

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

- For the first time, approx. 20 seniors attended Senior Sunrise to celebrate the last year together,
- Kinder-Senior Breakfast happened at the elementary school to welcome the kindergarteners first full day,
- Greek Themed Homecoming this year during the week of October 6-10,
- Matt Sybrant has started up a chess club,
- Eagle Swag will soon be available for purchase at concessions.
- Open House will be next week, with dinner from 6:00 to 6:30, and activities to follow.
- The PSAT is coming up, 10th grade students must take one assessment and they will be offered two, choosing which one is best for them,
- Due to injuries, the 2025 high school football season has been canceled.

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

- The financials look very good at this time.
- Revenues and expenditures for August 2025.
- The district has been proactive on tying to ensure a good ending fund balance in July of 2026, the current estimate is $570,000.00, which is 10% of the budget, and she expects it will grow.
- The annual audit went very well, she does not anticipate any findings. She will be receiving the draft in middle September.

E. **Superintendent Report-**Superintendent Brian Berry shared the following:

- Big thank you to Jannelle Wilde for the newsletter.
- The district's current attendance is 298, the second highest in 8 years.
- Austin Buchert did a threat assessment walk through of both campuses with PACE, and there were not many things that will need to be changed or repaired, it was mostly clutter issues.
- Counseling services for this year. Services will be provided by Juniper Tree Counseling and Douglas Cares.

- **INTEGRATED PROGRAMS ANNUAL REPORT.**

Superintendent Berry shared a Power Point Presentation of the Integrated Programs Annual Report with the board and the community.

  - Integrated Programs includes funds from SIA, Measure 98, EIIS and TSI/CSI.
  - Attendance was 74%, the state average is 67%
  - 3rd grade language arts is meeting state grade level expectations.
  - The current 9th grade class on track to graduate rate is above the state average.
  - On time graduation is 85%, which is above the state average, but is still below the rate the district is trying to achieve.

- SIA annual reporting schedule and process,
  - Key investment costs, with the total costs being $558,000.00
  - Narrative #1. Program markers. Attendance rate, stronger staff development opportunities
  - Narrative #2 Barriers and challenges. Mental Health Services, with struggles in provider shortages, transportation, retention, and limited training
  - Narrative #3, Matrix rates. The district is meeting or exceeding the state average in every one of those categories, however, the district is not meeting their own goals, which are higher.

VIII. ACTION ITEMS

A. **Consider for approval installation of dugouts on the 11U softball field**. Director McDonald made a motion to approve, Director Sybrant seconded, passed unanimously with yes votes from Directors McDonald, Orcutt, Grimes and Sybrant.

B. **Consider for approval surplus of outdated computer and technology equipment.** Tech Coordinator Cody Reed explained that all the surplus equipment was either non-working or outdated. Director McDonald made a motion to approve, Director Grimes seconded, passed unanimously with yes votes from Directors McDonald, Orcutt, Grimes and Sybrant.

C. **Consider for approval High School Bonfire.** Principal Ross described the research that had been done to be sure that this event was approved by the district's insurance company and was also going to safe and well supervised. Director McDonald made a motion to approve, Director Grimes seconded, passed unanimously with yes votes from Directors McDonald, Orcutt, Grimes and Sybrant.

D. **Consider for approval High School Car Smash Fundraiser**. Principal Ross explained how and where this would occur, and the safety issues that would be in place. Director Sybrant made a motion to approve, Director McDonald seconded, passed unanimously with yes votes from Directors McDonald, Orcutt, Grimes and Sybrant.

IX ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Next Board Meeting, October 16, 6:00 PM

B. OSBA Legislative Roadshow, October 21st, 6:00 PM, with dinner to follow.

X. OTHER BUSINESS. None.

XI. ADJOURN. Director McDonald made a motion to approve, Director Sybrant seconded, Directors Sybrant, Grimes, Orcutt and McDonald voted yes, the meeting was adjourned with a unanimous vote at 8:20 PM.