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Yorkville CUSD 115 Board of Education Meeting Summary
Monday, November 16, 2026 | Yorkville High School Library

Executive Session:

- *A motion was made to move into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing "Student disciplinary cases." 5ILCS 120/2(c)(9).*

Meeting Highlights:

Public Comments:

- No Public Comment

Recognitions:

- Heart of the Fox
  - Yorkville High School - The Yorkville High School team presented their "Link Crew: Helping Every Fox Belong" program.

Consent Agenda:

- The Consent Agenda included the following:
  - Approved minutes from the October 26, 2026, Board of Education Meeting
  - October 26, 2026, Executive Session Meeting
  - November 9, 2026, Committee Meeting
  - November 9, 2026, Executive Session Meeting
  - Activities Fund Report for October 2026
  - Bills and Claims for October 2026 for $427,505.14
  - Bills and Claims for November 2026 for $4,011,483.00
  - 2 FOIA requests

  The Consent Agenda was approved as presented.

Consent/Action Personnel:

- Personnel Committee Report
  - Julie Hart, Board of Education Member, presented the following report
    - 2026-2027 Staffing Additions - Multilingual Services

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

      The motion was approved as presented.

- 2026-2027 Staffing Additions - Multilingual Services
    - The District Administration is recommending a 1.0 FTE Multilingual Services increase for the 2026-2027 School Year. Enrollment in the Dual Language program has grown steadily over the past two years, accompanied by an increase in individual student learning needs across the early primary grades:
        - Kindergarten: 41 students (5 with IEPs)
        - 1st Grade: 41 students (6 with IEPs)
        - 2nd Grade: 38 students (3 with IEPs)

      Multilingual Services
        - Autumn Creek Elementary School - Increase 1.0 FTE Dual Language Paraprofessional

      Financial Impact:
      The total financial impact of the proposal is expected to be approximately $20,000.00 for the classified staff additions plus benefits.

      Total District Change: 1.0 FTE Increase

      The motion was approved as presented.

<u>Consent/Action Teaching and Learning:</u>

- Teaching and Learning Committee Report
    - Leslie Smogor, Board of Education Vice President, presented the following report
        - Yorkville 115 Achievement and Accountability Overview
        - Yorkville Middle School and Yorkville High School Course Guides

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    - A motion was made to approve the Yorkville Middle School and Yorkville High School Course Guides as presented.

      The Yorkville Middle School (YMS) and Yorkville High School (YHS) Course Guides are reviewed annually to reflect updated content, such as changes in course offerings or related procedures. These updated guides will soon be accessible on the school website, providing students and families with the opportunity to review them in advance of course selection.

      The motion was approved as presented.

- Motion to Approve the Resolution Authorizing Student Disciplinary Action
    - A motion was made that the Board of Education, after consideration in closed session, approve Resolution Authorizing Student Disciplinary Action for Student 2027-06.

      The motion was approved as presented.

Consent/Action Finance and Infrastructure:

- Finance and Infrastructure Committee Report
    - Mike Houston, Board of Education Secretary, presented the following report
        - Strategic Planning Update
        - 2026 Tax Levy Estimate
        - 2027-28 and 2028-29 School Year Calendars
        - Elevator Modernization at YHSA Bid
        - School Maintenance Project Grant

- Treasurer Report
    - Kreg Wesley, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services, presented the Treasurer Report: Investment summary for the month end of October 2026, Insurance Fund Statement, October 2026, Treasurer Report, October 2026, Taxes Received, Outstanding State Payments, October 2026, Transition Fees, October 2026, GRES Transition Fees for October 2026, and Revenue Expended in October 2026. Mr. Wesley discussed the following highlights based on the proposed annual budget:
        - Local revenues are: $39.8M (50%)
        - State funds: $10.7M (30%)
        - Federal Funds: $1.5M (40%)
        - FY27 Net Position for Fund 12: $4,300,928.00

      The Treasurer's Report was approved as presented.

- 2026 Tax Levy Estimate
    - Each November, the Board of Education must review and formally approve an estimate of the annual tax levy at least 20 days prior to the final levy adoption. This estimate serves as the legal foundation for the final 2026 Tax Levy, which must be adopted and filed with the Kendall and Kane County Clerks before the statutory deadline of December 29, 2026. The levy calculation accounts for four essential factors: the Consumer Price Index (CPI), estimated Equalized Assessed Value (EAV) growth, local new construction, and student program needs.

      To ensure District 115 captures adequate revenue, the proposed 2026 capped operating levy is estimated at $82,602,407 (a 4.54% increase over the 2025 capped extension). When combined with the non-capped Bond and Interest debt

service levy of $9,045,150, the total requested levy estimate is $91,928,426 (a 4.04% increase over the 2025 total extension).

Under the Illinois Truth in Taxation Act (35 ILCS 200/18-55), a taxing body is required to publish a legal black-bordered notice and hold a public hearing only if the proposed levy estimate exceeds 105% (5.0%) of the previous year's extension. Because District 115's proposed capped operating levy increases by 4.54% and the total levy increases by 4.07%, a formal Truth in Taxation hearing is not legally required.

This levy estimate aligns with Board Policy 4:20 (Fund Balances), which directs the district to maintain operating year-end fund balances of no less than 25% of annual expenditures to safeguard financial solvency and protect our standing on the Illinois State Board of Education's Financial Profile. County clerks will verify final equalized values and issue final extension figures in late March 2027 prior to taxpayer billing.

The motion was approved as presented.

- 2027-28 and 2028-29 School Year Calendars
    - A motion was made to approve the 2027-2028 and 2028-2029 School Year Calendars.
        - Please note that ISBE requires 185 total calendar days, which includes 176 days of pupil attendance, 4 teacher institute days, and 5 proposed emergency days. Parent-teacher conferences and a full-day in-service/SIP day count toward the 176 student attendance days.
        - Staff will begin with two institute/workdays. Other institute and in-service days have been shifted to support instructional efforts and assessment windows
        - Semester 1 will end prior to Winter Break.
        - The last day of attendance will be a 2-hour early release
        - There are four 1-hour early releases for School Improvement
        - There will be no Fall break
        - There will be no school the week of Thanksgiving
        - 2027-28 holiday break starts on Thursday, December 23rd and ends on Tuesday, January 4th

    The motion was approved as presented.

- Elevator Modernization at YHSA Bid
    - A motion was made to approve the Elevator Modernization at YHSA Bid
        - The elevator system at Yorkville High School Academy was originally installed in 1991. Near the end of the 2024–2025 school year, the Dover power system began exhibiting signs of failure. To keep the elevator operational, the main controls board was temporarily replaced with a used unit. Given the age of the system and the temporary nature of this repair,

a comprehensive modernization is required to ensure long-term safety and operational reliability.

The District recently issued a competitive bid to modernize and update the elevator. Response to the project has been strong, with six separate companies reaching out to request bid packets. Additionally, the District has secured quotes through a purchasing cooperative (COOP) to ensure the best value for the District.

In the 2026-2027 Operations and Maintenance budget, $150,000.00 has been allocated for the replacement of this unit. The cost for the new unit is $125,500.00, which came in under budget.

The motion was approved as presented.

- School Maintenance Project Grant
    - A motion was made to approve the School Maintenance Project Grant as presented.
        - The School Maintenance Project Grant (SMPG) is a dollar-for-dollar state matching grant program that provides awards of up to $50,000 to grantees exclusively for the maintenance or upkeep of educational buildings or structures. Approximately $48.4 million is available for the FY27 SMPG.

          District 115 administrators have successfully applied for and received funds from the School Maintenance Project Grant four times since 2021.

      The motion was approved as presented.

Superintendent Communication:

- Kate Schumacher, representing the SSAC, addressed the Board to recommend the addition of a School Resource Officer (SRO) specifically assigned to the Middle School. Ms. Schumacher, who is currently completing her Field Experience with the Yorkville Police Department, noted that a dedicated SRO would help establish positive relationships with students, provide a better understanding of the SRO's role, and foster a safer school environment.

- Dr. Zediker acknowledged School Board Appreciation Day, expressing gratitude to the Board members for their continued dedication and the significant time and energy they invest in the school district.

Board Comments:

- The Board expressed their appreciation to Ms. Schumacher for her presentation and recommendation regarding the Middle School School Resource Officer.

- Mrs. Smogor announced that the district received three awards at the INSPRA (Illinois Chapter of the National School Public Relations Association) awards ceremony held on Friday.

- Congratulations were shared regarding the successful passage of the recent district referendum.

- A reminder was provided that there will be only one Board of Education meeting in December, which is scheduled for December 14 at 7 pm in the Yorkville High School Library.

The Board of Education meeting adjourned.

Upcoming meetings:

- The Regular Board of Education meeting is scheduled for Monday, December 14, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. This meeting will be held at the Yorkville High School Library (797 Game Farm Road, Yorkville, IL 60560).