

YOUNG SCHOOL DISTRICT#5

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Patrick O'Donnell, Superintendent

YOUNG PUBLIC SCHOOL GOVERNING BOARD SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, August 3, 2023, 3:00 pm - Young Public School FFA Room

(THE GOVERNING BOARD MAY CONSIDER ANY ITEM ON THIS AGENDA IN ANY ORDER AND AT ANY TIME DURING THE MEETING)

Roll Call:	Present	On Phone, until 3:12 pm
	Sara Bunce, President	James Bruzzi, Member
	Absent	Present
	Dean Bell, Member	Polly Hageman, Member
	Present	
	Linda Chapman, Member	
	AGENDA	

- 1) Call to Order by Sara Bunce at 3:03 pm
- 2) Adoption of Agenda*
- 3) Pledge of Allegiance Lead by Sara Bunce
- 4) New Business:

a) Discussion – Superintendent recommendations of new staff members: 1 Teacher, 3 Instructional Aides – Mr. O'Donnell explained the process used over the past five weeks since having applications come in for Instructional Aide and 7-12 teacher. He shared the interview highlights and explained having the four individuals apply for fingerprint cards and/or AZ Teacher certificates, as well as the potential housing plans. Although he felt strongly about the candidates, he needed to wait until better information was available for Board considerations to hold a meeting. Two Board members did verbalize the heads-up provided by Mr. O'Donnell during his administrator report in July. Mr. O'Donnell spoke about the candidate for the Science/ Social Studies teacher. The applicant is fully fingerprinted and has a clean background check. The applicant is excited to be working here and has a background in physiology, but went into the health care industry for many years. She has home schooled in the valley working mostly with the life sciences, but also some work with US history. She has lived in our community for over a year.

Mr. O'Donnell spoke about another recent applicant. She has multiple children enrolled in YPS and she is interested in keeping our PE program going. She has applied to be an aide but will not be assigned to a classroom. She has her fingerprint card and a clean background check. She will be over seen by Mr. O'Donnell.

Mr. O'Donnell explained about another applicant that is returning to Young. She attended YPS before the new building was built and is very excited about her this position. She has a clean background and fingerprint clearance card approved, but not received yet. She will be assigned to the Kinder/ 1st classroom

The fourth applicant has been a part time resident of Young until recently. She has a clear background and fingerprint clearance card approved, but not received yet. She will be assigned to the preschool and in the afternoon be working in the library. She is excited to help Young Public School get the library organized and categorized.

Because of this information, Mr. O'Donnell is recommending these four individuals be hired to provide for a clean start to school. Mr. O'Donnell confirmed that no staff member without a fingerprint card would be alone with students. Mr. O'Donnell also explained that the Aides and Teacher candidates participated in some YPS training on August 1 and 2, 2023.

b) Discussion/Action – Possible Board approval of new staff members: 1 teacher, 3 Instructional Aides – Motion to approve the new Teacher and three new Instructional Aides with effective date of August 1, 2023 by Linda Chapman, Seconded by Polly Hageman, carried unanimously with a 3-0 vote.

5) Adjournment* Moved to adjourn at 3:17 pm by Sara Bunce, seconded by Polly Hageman, carried unanimously with 3-0 vote.

*Action Item

As authorized by ARS 38:431.O3, this public body, upon majority vote, may choose to convene in an executive session for the purpose of discussing items allowed by law. Upon official notice the officer, appointee, or employee may choose to hold discussion and/or consideration in open meeting. No final action can or shall be taken in the executive session. Items of business suggested by employees and patrons of the District will notify the Superintendent of the particular item of business at least four working days before the Board meeting (Young Public School Policy Manual-Policy BEDBA).

Attendees:	
Minutes Approved August 14, 2023: Junda Chapman	8/14/2023
Ten Bell Pally G. Sageman	8/14/2023
8-14-23 Sarah	8/14/23