Yaak School District
Board of Trustees Meeting
October 21, 2026
3:45 PM

Board Chair Pamela Fuqua called to order the meeting at 3:50 p.m., Vice Chair Bob Zaccheo, Trustee David Henderson and District Clerk Tracy Rebo were present.

Guests: Diane Downey, Chasity Little, Joyce Moore, Samuel Moore, and Suzy Rios

MEETING MINUTES: Motion to accept September 23, 2026, meeting minutes as read was made by Bob Zaccheo, second by David Henderson. Motion Carried.

Continuing Business:

Maintenance Report:

Playground Fencing Update: Materials for the fence should be delivered tomorrow. Contract with Cameron Little has been done. A gate was added to the north end of the property. We are looking forward to starting on Monday the 26th to get the fence finished.

Playground Equipment Usage Signs: Signs were located and installed on equipment. An extra set was received for replacement. Discussion was held on instructing the children the proper way to use the equipment.

Winter Maintenance: Henderson stated the only thing he is aware of is the riding lawnmower deck needs a repair done on it. It still functions, but it's not cutting the grass at the level as it should.

As far as the wintertime check off list Henderson will get with Artie Wright and see what will need to be done to winterize everything.

Generator: When the power went off the generator was unable to function adequately. Zaccheo had received a quote to replace the current generator with a 26kw generator from Boundary Electric. The new generator will be able to keep up with all the new electric heaters, the RV and the teacherage. Total of the quote is $9,554.00. Discussion was held on the old generator. It was decided once the new one is in that they would sell the old one to recoup some of the cost. Motion to approve the purchase of the new generator from Boundary Electric and sell the old one was made by Bob Zaccheo, second by David Henderson. Motion Carried.

Technology report:

Black Mountain Software-update: Included in everyone's packet is a conversion exit letter. Stating what was done during the conversion. Still having some hiccups with Fund 187 and Fund 186 but BMS says they may have a solution to the problem. These are clearing funds and the county is having a hard time trying to balance now that we have both funds. So BMS is going to make is so there is only the one clearing fund. In payroll direct deposit has been purchased, prorated for the year, and will be used on the next payday.

Discussion was held on the heat in the bathrooms, please keep them on. Also, we would like to manage the mud in the school. Ms. Little will put in a PO request to order slippers with the hard non-slip soles.

Discussion regarding Renaissance Software came up. Clerk will call and see what to do to get the teacher logged on.

Curriculum Committee:

Joyce Moore wants to know what the requirements are for the Curriculum Committee. She did go to OPI and was able to get some of the information and has read up on it. Discussion was held on what has been done in the past.

Old Business

Teacher and Clerks Contracts Approval: The board has been presented with the contracts. Minor adjustments needed on Teachers and they were corrected. Motion to accept the contracts as is was made by Bob Zaccheo, second by David Henderson. Motion Carried.

New Business:

CSIP-Continuous school improvement plan: Nothing to discuss at this point. Superintendent Suzy Rios will take care of the items this year. Next year will require more participation from the school.

Fall enrollment count: Count was done and submitted to OPI. There is a total of six students. Two kindergarteners, one second grade, one fifth grade and two eighth graders.

Kindergarten Aide: Melissa West has been hired as the new Kindergarten aide this was approved in September 2026.

ESEA Grant: Grants were applied for school year 26/27. Thank you very much, Diane, for doing that.

Teachers report:

Playground rules: Ms. Little presented the board with the playground rules.

Emergency Drills Report: Ms. Little explained they have had two fire drills and one lockdown.

Discussion was held on the progress Ms. Gilbert has in the library. Computer is updated and she is familiarizing herself with the program. She is doing a great job.

Ms. Little gave an update regarding the students. They are doing well. Daily work consists of morning journals, reading, language arts, math, spelling, grammar, art or music, and history. Really have no other problems with the students, they are wonderful. Parental communications go out weekly, on Fridays.

Clerk's report & expenditures:

Trustees Financial Summary: The financial report is in the packets for their review. All budget numbers are in Black Mountain. Review of report, questions and answers done.

EL Internet Contract is good through October 2027. Clock was ordered for the Library and is now in the Library.

October 2026 Claims: Claims in the amount of $9,410.34 were presented.

Public comments:

Joyce Moore would like to know what everyone would think of about opening the Library to homeschooled children and their families twice a month preferably on a Monday to not interfere with school. Discussion was held on when to do this and what days. Would like to get this going. Will look for volunteers to help and Diane will make cookies.

Next meeting is on November 18th at 345 and this meeting is adjourned.

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Pamela Fuqua, Board Chair

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Tracy Rebo, District Clerk