Yavapai College
District Governing Board
Regular Board Meeting

Tuesday, October 27th, 2026
Rock House and Virtually
1:00 p.m.

The YouTube channel and Rock House will be open to the public at **12:45 p.m.** at the latest. All individuals attending the meeting in person will be allowed to bring clear bags ONLY into the meeting. In addition, the College has implemented advanced weapons detections systems/metal detectors for attendees. These requirements are similar for attendees at any sporting event or concert, and they are intended to ensure safety. Please plan accordingly.

Prescott Campus
Rock House
1100 E Sheldon Street
Prescott, AZ 86301

Livestream Link:
https://www.youtube.com/user/YavapaiCollege

Pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes (A.R.S.) §38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the Yavapai College District Governing Board and to the general public that the Board will hold a public meeting, open to the public as specified below. The Board reserves the right to change the order of items on the agenda. One or more members of the Board may participate in the meeting by telephonic communication.

Pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03.A.2, A.3 and A.4, the Board may vote to go into Executive Session, which will not be open to the public, for legal advice concerning any item on the agenda to review, discuss and consider records exempt by law from public inspection, including the receipt and discussion of information or testimony that is specifically required to be maintained as confidential by state or federal law; or to consult with and instruct its attorneys regarding its position on contracts, litigation or settlement discussions. If indicated on the agenda, the Board may also vote to go into executive session, which will not be open to the public, to discuss specific agenda items.

Persons with a disability may request reasonable accommodation, such as a sign language interpreter or closed captions, by contacting the Executive Assistant at (928)776-2307. Requests should be made as early as possible to allow time to arrange the accommodation.

Please note that the meeting conclusion time is included for planning purposes only and does not necessarily reflect the actual time of the agenda item. When regular board meetings, public hearings (both truth in taxation and budget adoption public hearings) and budget adoption special meetings are scheduled for the same date, each hearing or meeting will begin immediately upon adjournment of the preceding hearing or meeting.

If the agenda includes an Open Call, members of the public will have no more than 3 minutes to speak. The time allotted for each speaker may be less than 3 minutes, depending on the number of individuals wishing to address the board at the meeting and the board president's determination of the total time available for open call at the meeting, given the other matters on the board's agenda. *In addition, if there are a number of people who wish to speak about the same issue and who have the same viewpoint about that issue, the board president may direct them to appoint a representative or representatives to speak for the entire group. Members of the board may not discuss items that are not specifically identified on the agenda but that are raised in Open Call. Matters raised during Open Call that are on the current board agenda may be discussed and/or decided by the board at the appropriate time on the agenda.

Yavapai College District Governing Board operates as a policy governance Board. This means that the Board makes all the policy decisions, adopts an annual budget, and hires the college president. The college president oversees daily operations and supervises college employees.

AGENDA

1. General Functions: Procedural
   a. Call to Order

   b. Roll Call {Time: 1}

   c. Pledge of Allegiance {Time: 1}

   d. Call to the Public – **INFORMATION ONLY** – {Time: 10}

   e. Adoption of Agenda – Board Chair Steve Bracety – **DECISION** {Time: 5}

2. Study Session
   a. President's Report – Dr. Douglas Berry, Acting President – **INFORMATION** – {Time: 60}
      i. Roughrider Student Spotlight – Dr. Douglas Berry, Acting President (*Attached*)
      ii. NAIA presentation – Tim Kneip, Athletic Director {Time: 10} (*Attached*)
      iii. College Council – Dr. Marylou Mercado, Dr. Janet Nix and Ms. Diana Dowling
         1. Faculty Senate – Dr. Heather Leavitt, Faculty Senate President (*Attached*)
         2. Student Government Association – Ms. Victoria Adams, Student Government Association Secretary – (*Attached*)
      iv. Budget to Actual Monthly Reports and Cash Reserves Monthly Reports – (September 2026) (*Attached*)

   b. Policy 204 Financial Conditions – Dr. Clint Ewell, Chief Operating Officer - **INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION** – {Time: 30} (*Attached*)

   c. FY28 Strategic Initiatives – Dr. Clint Ewell, Chief Operating Officer – **INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION** – {Time: 30} (*Attached*)

   d. College Council Update Presentation – Dr. Doug Berry, Acting President – **INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION** – {Time: 15} (*Attached*)

   e. Board Liaisons' Reports – **INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION** – {Time: 10}
      i. Board Spokesperson – Board Chair Steve Bracety
      ii. Arizona Association of Community College Trustee (AACCT) – Board Chair Steve Bracety
      iii. Presidential Search Update – Board Chair Steve Bracety and Board Secretary Toby Payne
      iv. Yavapai College Foundation – Board Member William Kiel

   f. Board Member Community Highlights – Yavapai College District Governing Board Chair and Members – **INFORMATION** {Time: 10}

3. Board Business
    a. Result of Minutes Discussion from the September 22nd, 2026, District Governing Board Meeting – Dr. Doug Berry, Acting President – **INFORMATION** {Time: 5}

    b. Discussion on Appropriate Process of Communication from Board Members to the College President in Relation to the Decision-Making Process – Board Chair Bracety – **INFORMATION** {Time: 5}

    c. Update and financial status of the Verde Valley Well Investment – Dr. Clint Ewell, Chief Operating Officer – **INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION** {Time: 10} (*Attached*)

    d. Report on the Newly Developed Verde Valley Housing – Dr. Clint Ewell, Chief Operating Officer – **INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION** {Time: 10} (*Attached*)

    e. Report on the Yavapai College Prescott Pines Location – Dr. Clint Ewell, Chief Operating Officer – **INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION** {Time: 10} (*Attached*)

    f. Consent Agenda – **DECISION** – {Time: 5}
        i. Intergovernmental Agreement between the Arizona Board of Regents ("ABOR") and Yavapai County Community College District dba Yavapai College
        ii. District Governing Board Regular Minutes – September 22nd, 2026
        iii. District Governing Board Governance Retreat Minutes – September 23rd, 2026
        iv. Receipt of Reports of Revenues and Expenditures for September 2026

    g. Executive Session – **PROCEDURAL** – {Time: 60}
        i. Pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(8) and (9) Discussion or Consideration of Matters Relating to School Safety Operations or School Safety Plans or Programs and Discussions or Consultations with Designated Representatives of the Public Body in Order to Discuss Security Plans, Procedures, Assessments, Measures or Systems Relating to, or Having an Impact on, the Security or Safety of College Buildings, Facilities, Operations, Critical Infrastructure Information and Information Technology Maintained by the Public Body. Records, Documentation, Notes or Other Materials Made by, or Provided to, the Representatives Pursuant to This Paragraph are Confidential and Exempt from Public Disclosure Under This Chapter and Title 39, Chapter 1.
        ii. Pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3) 3. Discussion or Consultation for Legal Advice with the Attorney or Attorneys of the Public Body Regarding a Potential Inquiry into Past and/or Current Employees and Entities Related to the College.

    h. Reconvene in Public Session – **DISCUSSION AND DECISION**
        i. Potential Discussion and Decision to Provide Direction to the Board Attorney Regarding Discussions from Executive Session.

4. Request for Future Agenda Items – **INFORMATION, DISCUSSION, AND DECISION** {Time: 10}

5. Adjournment of Board Regular Meeting: Procedural – **DECISION** {Time: 1}