

# Police chief announces resignation, does not give reasons for decision

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Police Chief Robert T. Robinson submitted his resignation from his position with the YSU Police, after serving 18 months, which will be effective September 27.

Robinson, YSU's first black police chief, notified James D. Miller, director of administrative services, on the matter on August 30, but did not give specific reasons for his decision other than receiving an offer for another job.

Robinson declined comment to *The Jambar* regarding his resignation, other than stating that he has indeed "received

several job offers."

"I resigned to accept another position," he said. "It's just that simple."

According to *The Vindicator*, a "spokesman at Southern Methodist University in Dallas ... said Robinson has been appointed director of public safety, or police chief, effective October 1."

In Robinson's absence, Miller will be serving as Acting Director for the YSU Police while the search for a new chief is conducted.

"Here's an opportunity to take another look at the department," Miller said of the decisions that need to be made. "Do we want to do the same thing

we did [before], or do we want to do something different?"

Meanwhile, according to Miller, things will basically be conducted in the same manner at the YSU Police station.

When police services are needed, Miller said "the first thing to do is go to the police department. We always have a sergeant, the supervisor of the shift. In most cases, that's the person you want to talk to."

"That," he added, "would be the case if [Robinson] was here or anyone else was here as chief."

Before Robinson came to YSU in 1989, he served as director of safety and security at Goucher College in Towson, Maryland.