

**YALE PUBLIC SCHOOLS – BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING  
Yale Junior High School Media Center  
Thursday, July 13, 2023 – 7:00 p.m.**

**MEETING MINUTES**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

President Bullard called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/MOMENT OF SILENCE**

President Bullard lead the Pledge of Allegiance which was followed by a Moment of Silence.

**3. ROLL CALL**

Members Present: Bullard, Charney, Hurlburt, Hoppe, Butler

Members Absent: French, McClelland

Also Present: Superintendent Kurt Sutton  
Business Services Director Beky Silkworth  
Secretary to the Board Nancy Maplethorpe

Also Present: Yale Expositor Reporter Jim Brown and Kathleen Hooper

**4. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

Motion by Charney seconded by Hurlburt to adopt the agenda as amended.

Ayes: 5            Nays: 0            Absent: 2            Motion Carried

**5. CONSENT AGENDA - APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A. Committee of the Whole - June 13, 2023

B. Executive Meeting Minutes - June 13, 2023

C. Public Hearing - June 15, 2023

D. Regular - June 15, 2023

Motion by Butler seconded by Charney to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Ayes: 5            Nays: 0            Absent: 2            Motion Carried

**6. CORRESPONDENCE**

Superintendent Sutton read/shared the following correspondence:

- Invited Board members to sign a thank you card to the Yale We Care Resale Shop in appreciation for taking care of all the outstanding balances on lunch accounts.
- Thank you note from Matthew Gurzick in appreciation for receiving the Superintendent's Scholarship.
- Distributed a safety measure sheet which summarized the many items our district has trained on, purchased, and/or implemented to ensure the safety of our students and staff over the last two years.

**7. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Superintendent Sutton reviewed his report (see attached) which contained the following items:

- The State of Michigan approved the school aid budget.
- The maintenance staff has completed a couple hydrogen peroxide flushes of the well and supply water lines in Farrell.
- The work at Yale Junior High is progressing, the roof is nearly done, vertical uninvent systems are installed, and much of the electrical work has been completed.

**8. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

A. Guests - None

B. Agenda Items - None

C. Non-Agenda Items - None

**9. APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORTS**

Treasurer's Report and Monthly Bills in the amount of **\$7,768,497.39**

Motion by Charney seconded by Butler to acknowledge receipt of the Treasurers Report and approve monthly bills in the amount of **\$7,768,497.39**

Roll call Vote:

Bullard- Yes, French- Absent, Charney- Yes, Hurlburt- Yes, Hoppe- Yes, Butler- Yes, McClelland- Absent

Ayes: 5            Nays: 0            Absent: 2            Motion Carried

**10. PERSONNEL REPORT AND APPROVAL OF ITEMS**

Superintendent Sutton read the Personnel Report which contained the following:

A. Hiring

- 1. Hannah Savage, K-5 Music Teacher

B. Resignation

- 1. Lauren Traub, Junior High Teacher
- 2. Nikki Smith, High School Teacher
- 3. Jenni McFadden, Children's Center Director

C. Recommendations to the Substitute List

Motion by Charney seconded by Butler to approve the personnel report as amended.

Bullard- Yes, French- Absent, Charney- Yes, Hurlburt- Yes, Hoppe- Yes, Butler- Yes, McClelland- Absent

Ayes: 5            Nays: 0            Absent: 2            Motion Carried

**11. OLD BUSINESS – None**

**12. NEW BUSINESS**

A. Approval of Third-Party Contracts for ESS, PCOR and Thumb Educational

Motion by Charney seconded by Butler to approve the 2023-2024 ESS, PCOR and Thumb Educational Contract renewals as presented.

Roll call Vote:

Bullard- Yes, French- Absent, Charney- Yes, Hurlburt- Yes, Hoppe- Yes, Butler- Yes, McClelland- Absent

Ayes: 5            Nays: 0            Absent: 2            Motion Carried

B. 2023-2026 Superintendent Contract Renewal

Motion by Butler seconded by Charney to approve the 2023-2026 contract renewal for Superintendent Kurt Sutton as presented.

Bullard- Yes, French- Absent, Charney- Yes, Hurlburt- Yes, Hoppe- Yes, Butler- Yes, McClelland- Absent

Ayes: 5            Nays: 0            Absent: 2            Motion Carried

**13. Comments from Board Members, Administration**

None

The Board took a short recess at 7:18 PM

The Board Reconvened at 7:28 PM

**14. Executive Session – Closed Session/Discussion of Personnel Matter**

Michigan Open Meetings Act, Section 8, Paragraph (a)

Motion by Charney seconded by Hurlburt to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing a personnel matter in accordance with the Michigan Open Meetings Act, Section 8, paragraph (a).

The Board reconvened into open session at 8:04 PM.

**15. Adjournment by consensus: 8:04 PM.**

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Mark Hurlburt, Secretary  
Yale Board of Education