

**YALE PUBLIC SCHOOLS – BOARD OF EDUCATION  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING  
Yale Junior High Central Office Board Room  
Tuesday, January 10, 2023 – 6:00 PM**

Meeting Minutes

1. Call to Order

President Bullard called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

2. Roll Call

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

Members Absent: None

Also Present: Superintendent Kurt Sutton  
Assistant Superintendent Bill Kryscynski  
Secretary to the Board Nancy Maplethorpe

Others Present: Dru Runnals and Kathleen Hooper

3. Adoption of the Agenda

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

Ayes: 7                      Nays: 0                      Absent: 0                      Motion Carried

4. Consent Agenda

A. Approval of Meeting Minutes

1. Executive Session Minutes – December 5, 2022

2. Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes - December 6, 2022

3. Regular Meeting Minutes – December 8, 2022

Motion by Charney seconded by Hurlburt to adopt the consent agenda as presented.

Ayes: 7                      Nays: 0                      Absent: 0                      Motion Carried

5. Correspondence

None

6. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Sutton read his report which contained the following information:

- Shared how well each of our schools did on the recent 'report card' that was released by the State of Michigan.
- The Mad City Money event led by Extra Credit Union, staff and parent volunteers was a great success.
- L & L Products Educational Foundation has supported our STEM Grant to support the Geometry in Construction program at Yale High School for 2023-2024.
- Transportation Director Jeri Fishel was instrumental in having the five out of service buses removed from campus for scrap metal. The district will receive approximately \$1,500 for each bus.

7. Public Participation

A. Special Guests – None

B. Agenda Items – None

C. Non-Agenda Items

- Mrs. Runnals gave kudos to the new high school jazz band. In addition, she was thrilled to see our basketball players featured on the big screen before the basketball game. Mr. Sutton stated it was a project created by high school teacher Brian Bearss.
- Superintendent Sutton announced he had extended an invitation to the Community Foundation of St. Clair County to attend the February Board meeting.

## 8. Reports

### A. Buildings and Grounds

Superintendent Sutton presented/read his report (attached) which contained the following:

- New toilet partitions were installed in one of the women's bathrooms at the high school and the other bathroom is scheduled for installation next week.
- Quarterly bacterial water tests for Avoca Elementary and Farrell Emmett Elementary came back negative.
- A water pipe in the junior high athletic hall burst over break but was repaired before any damage was done.
- The contractors were able to get a jump start on portions of the bond work at the junior high over the winter break.
- Received bid documents from Dura-Last for the Avoca Elementary roof. Bid opening is February 1 at 1:00 PM in Central Office.

### B. Finance and Financial Overview

Superintendent Sutton presented Mrs. Silkworth's report (attached) and added, to reference Beky, there was nothing remarkable this month.

### C. Instruction and Personnel

Assistant Superintendent Kryscynski presented the Instruction and Personnel Report (attached).

#### 1. Recommendations to the Substitute List

##### Curriculum/Instruction

- Discussed School Report Cards. Our district did very well earning mostly A's and B's for each category.
- MLK Day Professional Development Day
- Continue to look at new math resources for our Algebra I, II and Geometry classes.
- Will have data next month to share from our mid-year K-8 STAR testing as part of our 98b requirements.

### D. Transportation

Superintendent Sutton read the transportation report which included the following:

- Old Buses
- New Buses
- Staffing
- Routing Software
- In-Service Training

### E. Other - None

To fill the vacated committee positions due to the election results, President Bullard appointed Ron Charney as Building and Grounds Chair and assigned Mrs. Butler to the committee. He also appointed Mark Hurlburt as the MASB Legislative Liaison.

## 9. Items for Board Discussion

### A. Site Logiq Phase II Discussion

- Mr. Charney announced that after many discussions with Site Logiq, the district's expectations were made known and the project is continuing to move forward. Some of the bond work was completed over winter break. New lights and ceiling tiles were installed in the junior high gymnasium and prep work was completed for the new door hardware.

President Bullard thanked Mr. Charney and the committee for all of their hard work on the bond project with Site Logiq.

### B. Retainer contract with Thrun Law Firm, P.C.

- Board Action at Thursday's Regular Board meeting. Cost is the same as last year. (\$2500)

### C. Probationary Teacher Recommended for Mid-Year Tenure – Rebecca Setera, Yale High School

- Board Action at Thursday's Regular Board meeting.

### D. Presentation of Board Recognition Month Certificates at Thursday's Regular Board meeting

E. Board Buildings and Grounds Committee

Mr. Charney stated that the preliminary work by Site Logiq has been done well and that the committee feels comfortable moving on.

F. Board Governance Committee

Mr. Bullard reported that the committee continued work on Board Policy Series 3000. The committee reviewed Series 3110 to 3208. Next meeting is February 7, 2023, 6:00 PM at Yale High School.

G. SCCASB Representative

Mr. Hurlburt reported that the SCCASB general membership dinner meeting and TEC tour will be held on February 23.

H. MASB Legislative Liaison

Nothing at this time.

10. Comments from Board Members, Administration

- Mr. Bullard and Mr. Hurlburt enjoyed helping at the Mad City Money event at the high school.
- Mrs. Butler and Dr. McClelland said that they are looking forward to serving on the Board the next four years and Dr. McClelland thanked Ron Charney for working so diligently on the bond construction project.
- Superintendent Sutton echoed his sentiments for Board Appreciation Month and thanked the Board for all that they do. In addition, he gave a shout out to the custodians and maintenance crew for the great job in cleaning the buildings and handling the broken water line in the junior high over winter break.

11. Adjournment by Consensus at 6:45 PM.

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MARK HURLBURT, SECRETARY  
YALE BOARD OF EDUCATION