

**YALE PUBLIC SCHOOLS – BOARD OF EDUCATION
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
Yale Junior High Central Office Board Room
Tuesday, October 4, 2022 – 6:00 PM
Meeting Minutes**

1. Call to Order

President Bullard called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM.

2. Roll Call

Members Present: Bullard, French, Charney, Hurlburt, Hoppe, Johnson, Lashbrook

Members Absent:

Also Present: Superintendent Kurt Sutton
Assistant Superintendent Bill Kryscynski
Business Services Director Beky Silkworth
Transportation Director Jeri Fishel
Buildings and Grounds Director Jared Shutko
Secretary to the Board Nancy Maplethorpe

Others Present: Yale Expositor Reporter Jim Brown, Kurt Carter – Performance Contracting
Owner’s Representative and Jose Colon - SitelogIQ Senior Project Manager,
Kathleen Hooper, Dru Runnals, Mike & Meghan Butler

3. Adoption of the Agenda

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

Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Motion Carried

4. Consent Agenda

A. Approval of Meeting Minutes

1. Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes - September 6, 2022
2. Regular Meeting Minutes - September 8, 2022
3. Special Board Meeting Minutes - September 27, 2022
4. Executive Session Meeting Minutes – September 27, 2022

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

Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Motion Carried

6. Correspondence

Superintendent Sutton read/shared the following correspondence:

- A note from the Alumni Reunion Committee (Patt Bertram, Ginger Fulmer, Paul & Elaine Williams) thanking Mr. Bullard, Mr. Sutton, Lisa Kocis, Ella Meddaugh, the cooks, custodial staff, and students from the National Honor Society for their assistance in helping to make the Alumni reunion such a success.
- A note from a person who attended the alumni reunion, written on a napkin, thanking the students who came in to assist others with their needs so they were more comfortable and could enjoy the day.
- Letter from Diane Wood congratulating Board Members, Administrators, and Staff of Yale Public Schools for a school district that works for the best interest of all students and generates a community of support. Mrs. Wood recently attended a varsity football game and gave kudos to all involved from parking attendants, police officers, students, athletes and the band. She extended her fondest support for everyone in the district and is very proud to be a part of it.

7. Superintendent’s Report

Superintendent Sutton read his report which contained the following information:

- Homecoming game versus Lutheran North on October 21st
- Affordable Connectivity Program
- Homeland Security and St. Clair County Emergency Manage touring on October 17th
- A few teachers, Mr. Dykstra and Mr. Sutton toured Witco on Monday, October 3rd.
- First district strategic planning meeting on Wednesday, October 19th at 6:30 in the Yale High School Library.
- Proud of the outstanding achievement by our students on our recent M-STEP, PSAT, and SAT from last year.

8. Public Participation

A. Special Guests - None

B. Agenda Items - None

C. Non-Agenda Items

- Mrs. Runnals said she was very impressed with Mr. Sutton at the Alumni dinner.
- Jim Brown mentioned that he had heard many compliments about the alumni dinner. He added that Mrs. Brown enjoys the new announcer (Mr. Hurlburt) for the varsity football games.

9. Reports

A. Buildings and Grounds

Buildings and Grounds Director Jared Shutko presented/read his report (attached) which contained the following:

- Avoca and Farrell Emmett Elementary recently had their quarterly water tests for bacteria.
- Expecting delivery of road salt this week.
- Owen Tree Service and Unique Clips will be delivering and installing playground mulch at all three elementary schools.

B. Finance and Financial Overview

Ms. Silkworth presented/read her report (attached) and added the following

- The district has been notified by the IRS the QZAB interest rebate will be arriving shortly. Although the rebate was reduced by sequestration (5.7%) the majority of the interest is reduced by this program.
- MDE has issued the new competitive bid threshold for school year 2022-2023. Supplies and materials costing more than \$28,048 must be purchased after a bid process.
- SETSEG'S annual rebate has arrived. The \$11,983 check has been deposited in the general fund and included in the annual budget.
- Invoices are unremarkable this month.

C. Transportation

Director of Transportation Jeri Fishel read her report (attached) which included the following:

- Staffing Information
- Transportation at a Glance Spreadsheet (what we do)
- Bus Safety
- ELDT Training Program
- New Buses
- State Bus Inspections

Mr. Hoppe expressed appreciation to Mrs. Fishel and her crew for doing a great job. Mr. Johnson added that he likes the mileage report that was generated.

D. Instruction and Personnel

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

1. Hiring

- A. Brian Nicol, Yale Junior High Special Education Teacher
- B. Olivia Hoist, Avoca Elementary Teacher
- C. Chelsea Watson, Yale Junior High Instructional/Non-Instructional Aide

2. Resignation

- A. Amanda Myers, Yale Elementary Aide
- B. Judith Wilfong, Child Care Aide

3. Recommendations to the Substitute List

Curriculum/Instruction

1. District M-STEP/SAT Data Report. Once again, YPSD staff and students did VERY well!

- Assistant Superintendent Bill Kryscynski reviewed the 2022 State of Michigan Student Test of Educational Progress (M-STEP) data, recognizing success at every building.

Mr. Kryscynski reported Yale Public School's success is achieved due to supportive families, dedicated and hardworking teachers, quality support staff, administrators, Board of Education, engaged classrooms and challenging curriculum

2. 98c – Learning Loss Grant – Requirement to pursue funding moving forward

3. Continuity of Learning Plan – State requirement for ESSER/ARP

D. Technology – Nothing this month.

E. Other

- Superintendent Sutton shared the Food Service Report and complimented Joann Faille and her crew on the delicious turkey dinner that they prepared for the alumni reunion.

10. Items for Board Discussion

A. 2021-2022 Audit Presentation, Lewis & Knopf, P.C. at Thursday's Regular Board Meeting

B. Board Governance Committee

President Bullard the committee that they will be covering the 1000's policy series in the new Board Policy Manual.

C. Board Buildings and Grounds

Committee Chair Mike Johnson reported a good meeting tonight and great interviews two days last week. Members will be prepared to make recommendations for Thursday night's meeting, except the flooring portion.

D. SCCASB Representative

Mr. Hurlburt reported that they did meet this past month.

E. MASB Legislative Liaison

Mr. Johnson reminded members of educational opportunities MASB has to offer.

F. School Safety - Discuss Expansion of School Resource Officer hours and days

Superintendent Sutton reviewed an option of expanding a liaison officer on campus paid (additional time) through a new grant.

11. Comments from Board Members, Administration

- Mr. Lashbrook commented favorably on the excellent testing results.
- Superintendent Sutton and Mike Johnson thanked Jose Colon and Kurt Carter for attending tonight's meeting.
- Mr. Hoppe thanked everyone for their hard work and gave a special thanks to Beky Silkworth and Bill Kryscynski for all that they do for the district.

The Board took a short recess at 7:17 PM

12. Executive Session – Closed Session/Expulsion Hearing (Student 2022-2023.01)
Michigan Open Meetings Act, Section 8, Paragraph (b)

Motion by Hurlburt seconded by Charney that considering the seven factors of the Michigan revised school code 1310d, that a preponderance of evidence does exist under statute MCL 380.1311, to support expulsion of Student 2022-2023.01

Roll Call Vote:

Bullard-Yes, French-Yes, Charney-Yes, Hurlburt-Yes, Hoppe- Yes, Johnson-Yes, Lashbrook- Yes

Ayes: 7

Nays 0

Absent: 0

Motion Carried

The Board reconvened into open session at 7:48 PM

13. Adjournment by Consensus: 7:50 PM

MARK HURLBURT, SECRETARY
YALE BOARD OF EDUCATION