

**YALE PUBLIC SCHOOLS – BOARD OF EDUCATION
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
Yale Junior High Central Office Board Room
Tuesday, February 8, 2022 – 6:00 p.m.**

Meeting Minutes

1. Call to Order

President Bullard called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM

2. Roll Call

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

Members Absent: Hoppe, Lashbrook

Also Present: Superintendent Kurt Sutton
Assistant Superintendent Bill Kryscynski
Director of Business Services Beky Silkworth
Secretary to the Board Nancy Maplethorpe
Transportation Director Jeri Fishel

Others Present: None

3. Adoption of the Agenda

Motion by Charney seconded by Johnson to adopt the agenda as presented.

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Absent: 2 Motion Carried

4. Consent Agenda

A. Approval of Meeting Minutes

1. Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes – January 11, 2022

2. Regular Meeting Minutes – January 13, 2022

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

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Absent: 2 Motion Carried

5. Correspondence

Superintendent Sutton read/shared the following correspondence:

- Read letters from Athletic Director Kim Charney and a wrestling official that gave accolades to the administration, coaches and parents in appreciation for being treated with the utmost respect by all that were involved in the recent wrestling tournament.
- Mrs. Gerardy's AP English Literature class submitted poetry to the Scholastic Art & Writing Awards Program Midwest regional contest in December. Three students were recognize: Reagan McClelland, Nathan Morgan and Jules Fisher. Jules was recognized as a gold key award winner which automatically qualifies her to be re-entered as a national finalist and apply to participate in a three week writing program at the University of Iowa this summer.
- Reminded the Board of the SCCASB General Membership Meeting on February 24 at St. Clair County RESA.
- The district has received an "A" rating from S & P Global Ratings. This rating is used when the Bonds Sale occurs on February 10, 2022 at 1:00 PM. Superintendent Sutton thanked Business Services Director Beky Silkworth for the impeccable audit and thanked the Business Office Team for their diligence and hard work.

6. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Sutton read his report which contained the following information:

- District staff is back to working hard after the first major winter storm.
- All secondary staff will be trained in a school safety program on February 18th. Elementary staff will be trained on May 13th.
- St. Clair County Health Department informed the district that they will no longer be using their staff to complete contact tracing within the school setting.
- February 9th is the second Count Day of the year.
- First school play in over a decade is scheduled for Friday, March 4th.
- Sports teams are busy as we wind down the sports seasons.

7. Public Participation

- A. Special Guests - None
- B. Agenda Items - None
- C. Non-Agenda Items - None

8. Reports

A. Buildings and Grounds

Superintendent Sutton informed the Board that Director Jared Shutko will continue to work on projects related to the Bond and continue to update the Buildings and Grounds Board Committee regarding Bond projects. He added that Mr. Shutko is currently awaiting quotes on new roofs for Farrell Emmett Elementary and Yale Elementary which will derive from the Sinking Fund.

B. Finance and Financial Overview

Business Services Director Beky Silkworth reviewed her report which included:

- Reviewed bond sale is still scheduled for Thursday, February 10 at 1:00 PM. A resolution to award the sale of the bonds will be prepared by Thrun and submitted to our board for action that night.

C. Instruction and Personnel

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

1. Resignation

- A. Crystal McCormick, Junior High Counseling Secretary
- B. Theresa Bosman, YJH Special Ed. Instructional Aide,

2. Retirement

- A. Susan Gottshall, Junior High Math Teacher (June 10, 2022)

3. Recommendations to the substitute list

D. Technology

Superintendent Sutton read the Technology Report (attached) which included the following:

- Security Awareness Training
- 2FA (Two Factor Authentication) Staff Rollout
- SET SEG
- Network Replacement Project
- Website & APP
- Chromebook Carts
- MSTEP

E. Transportation

Jeri Fishel read the Transportation Report (attached) which included the following:

- Current Open Packages
- Applicants
- ELDT (Entry Level Driver Training) Requirements
- Camera Bids

Motion for Board approval for cameras to be added to Thursday's Regular Board Meeting agenda for approval.

- January Stars of the Month

D. Other - None

9. Items for Board Discussion

A. Friend of Youth – 2022 Nominee announced at Thursday's Regular Board Meeting

B. Board Buildings and Grounds Committee

Buildings and Grounds Committee Chair Ron Charney informed the Board that the HVAC units had been ordered and installation is scheduled for this fall. The balance of the junior high renovation project is out for bid with a tentative opening date of February 24.

C. Board Governance Committee

- President Bullard stated the committee met this evening and discussed the policy changes that will be brought to the Board on Thursday for approval. He added that it is the committee's recommendation that we go forward and start the process of moving our current policy manual to Thrun Law Firm, P.C. Policy Service. The policies by Thrun are designed to be legally compliant, specific to Michigan laws and guidance, and provide the district with a user-friendly format.
- Director Silkworth gave an overview of Thrun's policy 3212 (Post-Issuance Disclosure Compliance)

D. SCCASB

Secretary Mark Hurlburt reminded the Board to reserve their spot for the SCCASB dinner meeting on February 24 beginning at 6:00 PM. He added that a presentation is planned and will include RESA updates and a budget/legislative update provided by MASB. The group will adjourn to TEC for an open house and guided tour of the building and classrooms.

E. MASB Legislative Liaison

Member Johnson reminded the Board of the 2022 Winter Institute live online webinars February 25-27.


F. First Reading Board Policies:

- Po 7630 - Graduation Requirements
- Po 0167.3 - Public Participation at Board Meetings
- Po 8310 - Public Records
- Po 5722 - School-Sponsored Publications and Productions
- Thrun - Continuing Disclosure Policy

10. Comments from Board Members, Administration

- Superintendent Sutton shared the Resolution for special education funding. Adoption at Thursday's Regular Board meeting.
- President Bullard thanked Superintendent Sutton for attending the staff appreciation ceremony held at the January 28th basketball game. Athletes chose a staff member that inspired them and those staff members were honored throughout the evening. Mr. Sutton gave recognition to Garnett Kohler for a job well done.

11. Adjournment by Consensus: 7:06 PM



MARK HURLBURT, SECRETARY
YALE BOARD OF EDUCATION