

**YALE PUBLIC SCHOOLS – BOARD OF EDUCATION
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
Yale Junior High School Board of Education Conference Room
Tuesday, February 7, 2017 – 6:00 PM**

MEETING MINUTES

1. Call to Order
Vice President Bullard called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM.
2. Roll Call
Members Present: Bullard, Charney, French, Sokacz, Monaco, Hoppe
Members Absent: Zabor
Also Present: Assistant Superintendent Joe Haynes
Director of Business Services Beky Silkworth
Director of Transportation Jeri Fishel
Director of Building & Grounds Jeff Kudera
Secretary to the Board Nancy Maplethorpe
Others Present: Yale Expositor Reporter Jim Brown, Marshall Runnals and Mrs. Runnals
3. Adoption of the Agenda
Motion by Charney seconded Monaco to adopt the agenda as amended.
Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 Motion Carried
4. Consent Agenda
 - A. Approval of Meeting Minutes
 1. Combined Committee/Regular Meeting Minutes – January 12, 2017
Motion by Charney seconded by Sokacz to adopt the consent agenda as presented.
Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 Motion Carried
5. Correspondence
The following correspondence was presented/read by Superintendent Nicholl:
 - Thank you from Bob Lepla for his induction into the 2017 Yale Sports Hall of Fame.
 - Thank you from the Maplethorpes for the 2017 Sports Hall of Fame induction on behalf of their daughter Kathy Maplethorpe-Winslow.
 - Shared communication from the State of Michigan Public Service Commission initiating Proceeding and Notice of Hearing for DTE Electric Company's service territory in providing electricity for the future.
 - Circulated an article from the Editorial Board of the Port Huron Times Herald, from the Michigan Department of Education, which congratulated teachers, students, parents and administrators at the top of the lists in the Blue Water Area schools top-to-bottom rankings and the new recipients of the state's "Reward School" designation. Yale and Avoca Elementary were named in the Yale District.
 - Noted the nice article and picture in the Yale Junior High Newsletter thanking Paul McIvor and the Yale VFW for donating the new American Flag.
6. Public Participation
 - A. Special Guests –None at this time.
 - B. Agenda Items – None at this time.
 - C. Non-Agenda Items – None at this time.
7. Superintendent's Report
 - Information from Previous Month's Meeting
 - Graduation Speaker
 - Board of Education Speaker
 - Superintendent Evaluation Training
 - Legislative Day
 - Capac Considers a Vote to Leave BWAC
 - M-19 Property

- Board President Workshop
- Administrative Evaluation
- Children Center Study
- Scott Brown named Varsity Head Football Coach
- Heartfelt Appreciation

8. Reports

A. Buildings and Grounds

Buildings and Grounds Director Jeff Kudera presented/read his report (attached) and added:

- Distributed information on the lead and copper testing at Avoca and Farrell-Emmett Elementary.
- Read an article from DEQ (Department of Environmental Quality) which gives eligible districts fixture reimbursements, drinking water testing, water filter purchases and plumbing assessments. Each building (where students attend) are allowed up to \$950. Director Kudera and Director Silkworth will be working actively to apply for the grant.

B. Finance

Director Silkworth presented/read her report (attached).

C. Instruction and Personnel

Assistant Superintendent Haynes, read the instruction and personnel report (attached) which contained the following:

1. Hiring

- A. Timica Fearnley, Farrell-Emmett Elementary Aide
- B. Jenni McFadden, Yale Elementary Child Care Associate

2. Resignation

- A. Kelly Hagemeister, Yale High School Varsity Competitive Coach
- B. Donna Miltner, Yale Elementary Child Care

3. Recommendations to the Substitute List

- Vice President Bullard thanked Assistant Superintendent Haynes for the curriculum update.
- Assistant Superintendent Haynes thanked Technology Director Tony Harmer for the hours and hours of work put forth in creating the best school website around the area.

D. Technology

Director Harmer gave a demonstration and overview of the new Yale Public Schools Website to be rolled out soon. Board members thanked Mr. Harmer for his hard work on the website and complimented him on how nice it looked. Audience member Mrs. Runnals added she looks on the web page every day for updates.

E. Transportation - Director Jeri Fishel read/presented her report (attached).

Vice President Pete Bullard gave kudos to Director Fishel for keeping parents informed on Social Media of transportation changes and also to the bus drivers for doing a great job during the icy road conditions this morning.

F. Other – Nothing at this time.

8. Items for Board Discussion

A. Board Governance Committee

Vice President Bullard announced the next Governance Committee meeting is Thursday February 9 at 6:00 PM in the High School Media Center. Superintendent Nicholl added the Buildings and Ground's Committee would also be meeting at 6:00 PM in the High School Distance Learning Lab.

B. SCCASB Representative

Member Monaco reminded the Board of the upcoming Superintendent's Evaluation training session on February 28, 5:30 PM at the TEC center.

C. MASB Legislative Liaison

Member Monaco reported that several new bills were introduced in State Legislature. She added that Betsy DeVos had been confirmed as Education Secretary.

D. Transit Van Bid

Superintendent Nicholl informed the Board that only one bid had been received on the Transit Van and that he would ask for Board approval to purchase at Thursday's Regular Board meeting.

E. 2016-2017 Friend of Youth Candidates

Vice President Bullard reminded Board members to notify President Zabor or himself on their choice of a nominee for Friend of Youth. The Board selection for the 2017 Friend of Youth will be announced at Thursday's Regular meeting.

9. Comments from Board Members, Administration

- Yale Expositor Reporter Jim Brown thanked Athletic Director Moe Klocke on an excellent job of putting together the Sports Hall of Fame Induction.
- Vice President Bullard gave accolades to Ms. Klocke for a job well done.
- Vice President Bullard congratulated Avoca Elementary Principal Therese Damman on being selected the Blue Water Area Woman of the Year. He added Ms. Damman puts her heart and soul in everything that she does at school and in the community.

10. Adjournment by Consensus at 7:36 PM

DENA FRENCH, SECRETARY
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