

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

MEETING MINUTES

1. Call to Order

President Zabor called the meeting to order at 6:03 PM.

2. Roll Call

Members Present: Zabor, Bullard, Charney, French, Sokacz, Monaco, Hoppe

Members Absent:

Also Present: Assistant Superintendent Joe Haynes
Director of Business Services Beky Silkworth
Director of Technology Tony Harmer
Director of Transportation Jeri Fishel
Director of Building & Grounds Jeff Kudera
Secretary to the Board Nancy Maplethorpe

Others Present: Yale Expositor Reporter Jim Brown

3. Adoption of the Agenda

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

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Absent: 0

Motion Carried

4. Consent Agenda

A. Approval of Meeting Minutes

1. Committee Meeting Minutes – February 7, 2017

2. Regular Meeting Minutes – February 9, 2017

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

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Absent: 0

Motion Carried

5. Correspondence

The following correspondence was presented/read by Superintendent Nicholl:

- Distributed an informational flier, from the St. Clair County Council on Aging, who are sponsors of the local Foster Grandparent Program's 40th Annual Recognition event on May 18th at Alexander's Banquet Hall in Marysville. Yale Elementary Principal Bill Kryscynski and a staff member plan on attending the event to honor the volunteer grandparents at Yale Elementary.
- Letter from Mr. & Mrs. Clark Bowen who attended the Yale High School Alumni Reunion, complimenting Superintendent Nicholl, faculty, staff and students for the great things happening in the district. They gave praise for the District's continued efforts to ensure that our youth receive a top-notch education. Clark Bowen was a 1960 graduate of Yale, as were his sister Nancy (1957) and brother Bill (1968).
- Both Avoca and Yale High School were audited this year. The Pupil Accounting Auditor thanked Avoca Elementary Secretary Missy Priehs and Yale High School Secretary Nichole Rapley for doing a good job in organizing the pupil accounting information.
- Thank you note from Yale High School Graduate Brittny Leenknecht for being chosen the recipient of the Thelma Stewart Memorial Scholarship. Brittny is utilizing the scholarship to continue her education at Wayne State University.
- Shared a Valentine's card from former Yale Elementary Principal Suzanne Guttowsky. Ms. Guttowsky noted how pleased she was to read about all of Yale's accomplishments.
- Note of gratitude from the Biessel family who shared the success stories of their three children who were Yale graduates. They thanked Superintendent Nicholl for his support and also for his leadership and efforts to advance all of the students attending Yale Public Schools.

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

Superintendent Nicholl read his report that contained the following:

 - Information from Previous Month's Meeting
 - Legislative Day
 - Athletics
 - Child Care
 - BWAC Summit
 - Board Photos/ID Badges
 - Negotiations
 - Sinking Fund/Capital Projects Update
 - Yale High School Band Receives First Division Rating

Reports

- A. Buildings and Grounds

Buildings and Grounds Director Jeff Kudera presented/read his report (attached).
 - 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. Resignation
 - A. Jessica Hatcher, Buildings, Grounds & Transportation Clerk
 - B. Maureen Klocke, Athletic Director
 - C. Kristine Schmitt, Day/Head Custodian at Yale Junior High
 - D. Madison Pearl, Child Care Aide
 2. Recommendations to the Substitute List

Assistant Superintendent Haynes distributed fliers to the Board containing the Phoenix Alternative School Graduation Requirements and a Flow Chart of current math courses and math offerings beginning 2017/2018 at Yale High School.
 - D. Technology

Director Tony Harmer read/presented the Technology report (attached).
 - E. Transportation - Director Jeri Fishel read/presented her report (attached) and wished Buildings, Grounds and Transportation Clerk Jessica Hatcher well in her new vocation.
 - F. Other – Nothing at this time.
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8. Items for Board Discussion
 - A. Board Governance Committee

Vice President Bullard announced the next Governance Committee meeting will be held on March 9, 2017 at 6:00 PM in the Yale Elementary Media Center. Discussion will be on the Superintendent's Evaluation Training and Rubric in addition to the Board's Mission, Vision and Goals.
 - B. SCCASB Representative

Member Monaco thanked the Board for attending the Superintendent's Evaluation workshop held on February 28th. Superintendent Nicholl announced that Yale was the only district that had all seven Board members in attendance.
 - C. MASB Legislative Liaison

Member Monaco informed the Board that Legislation has been busy talking budget in addition to the Tax Reform Bill that was defeated in the House and changes to the Truancy Law.

- D. Copier Purchase
Board Action at Thursday's Regular Board meeting.
- E. Child Care/Pre-School Rate Increase
Board Action at Thursday's Regular Board meeting.
- F. Food Service Management Company Contract Renewal
Board Action at Thursday's Regular Board meeting.
- G. Yale Athletics Spring Coaches 2017
Board Action at Thursday's Regular Board meeting.

9. Comments from Board Members, Administration

- President Zabor asked if any Board members were interested in serving on the Scholarship Committee and if anyone would like to represent Yale at the RESA Biennial Board Election this year. Volunteering to serve on the Scholarship Committee were: Pete Bullard, Dena French and Ron Charney. RESA representative volunteer: Veronica Monaco
- Superintendent Nicholl inquired about the possibility of presenting the 2016-2017 SCCASB Scholarship and Mentor recognition award in April rather than May as the student being honored is not able to attend the May meeting. Mr. Nicholl will check with RESA to see if the Crystal Apple and certificates will be available.
- President Zabor would like to invite the Foreign Exchange students to attend the April Board meeting.

10. Adjournment by Consensus at 7:37 PM

DENA FRENCH, SECRETARY
YALE BOARD OF EDUCATION