

**York School District One  
Board of Trustees Meeting  
Minutes of Tuesday, August 12, 2025**

**Members present**

Scott Childers, Beth Faulkner, Wade Anderson, Betty Johnson, David McSwain, Thomas Wilkerson

**Meeting called to order at 6:00 PM.****A. Executive Session (6:00 PM)*****Procedural: 1. Call to Order******Action: 2. Executive Session (Contractual & Personnel)***

Motion to enter into Executive Session

*Motion by Wade Anderson, second by Betty Johnson.*

*Final Resolution: Motion approved*

*In favor: Scott Childers, Wade Anderson, Betty Johnson, David McSwain, Thomas Wilkerson*

***Action: 3. Adjourn Executive Session***

Motion to return to Open Session

*Motion by Betty Johnson, second by Wade Anderson.*

*Final Resolution: Motion approved*

*In favor: Scott Childers, Wade Anderson, Betty Johnson, David McSwain, Thomas Wilkerson*

**B. Meeting Opening - General Session (6:30 PM)*****Procedural: 1. Call to Order***

Chairman Childers called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM and welcomed all those in attendance. Chairman Childers acknowledged the confirmation to the media, noting that no one from the media was present. He also made note that no one completed the paperwork to speak during the Public Forum. Pastor Mike Goodwin with Hickory Grove Church of God gave the invocation and Chairman Childers led the Pledge of Allegiance to the USA flag. A quorum was established with the following Board members present: Scott Childers, Beth Faulkner, Wade Anderson, Betty Johnson, David McSwain and Thomas Wilkerson.

**C. Consent Agenda*****Action (Consent): 1. Approval of the Agenda***

Motion to approve the consent agenda as presented by the district administration.

*Motion by Betty Johnson, second by Wade Anderson.*

*Final Resolution: Motion approved*

*In favor: Scott Childers, Beth Faulkner, Wade Anderson, Betty Johnson, David McSwain, Thomas Wilkerson*

***Action (Consent): 2. Classified Employee Report***

Motion to approve the consent agenda as presented by the district administration.

*Motion by Betty Johnson, second by Wade Anderson.*

*Final Resolution: Motion approved*

*In favor: Scott Childers, Beth Faulkner, Wade Anderson, Betty Johnson, David McSwain, Thomas Wilkerson*

**Action (Consent): 3. July 2025 Budget Report**

Motion to approve the consent agenda as presented by the district administration.

*Motion by Betty Johnson, second by Wade Anderson.*

*Final Resolution: Motion approved*

*In favor: Scott Childers, Beth Faulkner, Wade Anderson, Betty Johnson, David McSwain, Thomas Wilkerson*

**Action (Consent), Minutes: 4. Minutes of July 22, 2025**

Motion to approve the consent agenda as presented by the district administration.

*Motion by Betty Johnson, second by Wade Anderson.*

*Final Resolution: Motion approved*

*In favor: Scott Childers, Beth Faulkner, Wade Anderson, Betty Johnson, David McSwain, Thomas Wilkerson*

**D. Director of Elementary & Gifted Programs - Ms. April Aulmer*****Information: 1. 2025 Summer Programs Update***

Mrs. April Aulmer, Director of Elementary & Gifted Programs, presented to the Board an overview of the summer programs hosted in the district this year, including the Summer Reading Camp at Cotton Belt Elementary School and Credit Recovery at York Comprehensive High School.

**E. Director of Human Resources - Mrs. Jennifer Bolin*****Information: 1. New Employee Orientation Highlights***

Mrs. Jennifer Bolin, Director of Human Resources, presented to the Board an overview of the New Employee Orientation that was hosted in the district on July 22-24. Positive feedback was given to Mrs. Bolin, the HR team and the Instruction team for their hard work in putting together this event with a note that the new employees really appreciated how helpful and informational these days were.

***Action: 2. New Classified Position***

Motion to approve one new FTE, as presented by the district Administration

*Motion by Wade Anderson, second by Betty Johnson.*

*Final Resolution: Motion approved*

*In favor: Scott Childers, Beth Faulkner, Wade Anderson, Betty Johnson, David McSwain, Thomas Wilkerson*

***Action: 3. Certified Resignations***

Motion to approved certified resignations as presented.

*Motion by Wade Anderson, second by Betty Johnson.*

*Final Resolution: Motion approved*

*In favor: Scott Childers, Beth Faulkner, Wade Anderson, Betty Johnson, David McSwain, Thomas Wilkerson*

***Action: 4. Certified Recommendations***

Motion to approve certified recommendations as presented by district administration.

*Motion to approve with exception of "Employee A" by Betty Johnson, second by Wade Anderson.*

*Final Resolution: Motion approved*

*In favor: Scott Childers, Beth Faulkner, Wade Anderson, Betty Johnson, David McSwain, Thomas Wilkerson*

**F. Assistant Superintendent for Finance & Operations - Mrs. Amy Hagner*****Information: 1. Summer Projects Update***

Mr. Charlie Westbrook, Director of Operations, presented to the Board an overview of the summer projects that are recently completed or still in-progress from the past few months, including a new roof at the ESC/TSC building.

***Action: 2. 2025-2026 Millage Rate***

Motion to set the debt service rate at 93.0 mills, which is a 9 mill increase over the 2024-2025 millage of 84.0. The General Operations 2025-2026 millage rate should be set at 231.8. This is a 9.0 mill increase over the 2024-2025 fiscal year.

*Motion by Wade Anderson, second by Betty Johnson.*

*Final Resolution: Motion approved*

*In favor: Scott Childers, Beth Faulkner, Wade Anderson, Betty Johnson, David McSwain, Thomas Wilkerson*

***Action, Information: 3. Minority Business Enterprise Utilization Plan***

Administration recommends the approval of the Minority Business Enterprise Utilization Plan

*Motion by Betty Johnson, second by Wade Anderson.*

*Final Resolution: Motion approved*

*In favor: Scott Childers, Beth Faulkner, Wade Anderson, Betty Johnson, David McSwain, Thomas Wilkerson*

***Action: 4. New Middle School Early Site Package***

Administration recommends awarding the early site package for the new middle school to Upstate Grading, Inc.

*Motion by Wade Anderson, second by Betty Johnson.*

*Final Resolution: Motion approved*

*In favor: Scott Childers, Beth Faulkner, Wade Anderson, Betty Johnson, David McSwain, Thomas Wilkerson*

**G. District Superintendent - Dr. Heath Branham**

***Information: 1. Upcoming Dates***

Dr. Branham, District Superintendent, presented to the Board an overview of the upcoming important dates in our district, highlighting the change in our YCHS Graduation date this school year. Spring Graduation will now be held on Saturday May 30, 2026 at 10:00am in the Winthrop Coliseum.

***Information: 2. Board Seat Vacancy Interviews & Appointment***

Chairman Childers presented to the public the Board's decision to hold Seat 5 Candidate Interviews on Monday August 18, 2025 in the District Office Executive Board Room.

**I. Adjourn**

***Action: 1. Adjourn***

Motion to adjourn for the evening.

*Motion by Wade Anderson, second by Betty Johnson.*

*Final Resolution: Motion approved*

*In favor: Scott Childers, Beth Faulkner, Wade Anderson, Betty Johnson, David McSwain, Thomas Wilkerson*

**Adjourned at 7:26 PM.**

Respectfully submitted,

Beth Faulkner, Secretary

Brittany Johnson, Recorder