

**York School District One
Board of Trustees Meeting
Minutes of Tuesday, January 13, 2026**

Members present

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

Meeting called to order at 6:00 PM

A. Executive Session (6:00 PM)

Procedural: 1. Call to Order

Chairman Childers called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Action: 2. Executive Session (Personnel, Contractual and Legal)

Motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss personnel, contractual and legal matters.

Motion by Wade Anderson, second by Julie Shillinglaw.

Final Resolution: Motion approved

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

Action: 3. Adjourn Executive Session

Motion to return to Open Session

Motion by Wade Anderson, second by Julie Shillinglaw.

Final Resolution: Motion approved

In favor: Scott Childers, Beth Faulkner, Wade Anderson, Betty Johnson, David McSwain, Julie Shillinglaw, 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. Reverend Andrew Putnam from Tirzah ARP Church in York 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, Julie Shillinglaw 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 Wade Anderson, second by Thomas Wilkerson.

Final Resolution: Motion approved

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

Action (Consent), Minutes: 2. Minutes of December 9, 2025

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

Motion by Wade Anderson, second by Thomas Wilkerson.

Final Resolution: Motion approved

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

Action (Consent): 3. Budget Report

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

Motion by Wade Anderson, second by Thomas Wilkerson.

Final Resolution: Motion approved

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

Action (Consent): 4. Overnight Field Trip Requests

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

Motion by Wade Anderson, second by Thomas Wilkerson.

Final Resolution: Motion approved

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

Action (Consent): 5. Classified Employee Report

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

Motion by Wade Anderson, second by Thomas Wilkerson.

Final Resolution: Motion approved

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

D. Recognitions

Procedural, Recognitions: 1. School Board Recognition Month

Dr. Heath Branham, District Superintendent, recognized our Board Members during National School Board Recognition Month. Mr. Scott Childers, Board Chair, read aloud the new South Carolina School Board Member Ethical Principles and all Board Members signed the poster as a symbol to our community that they will uphold these effective governance principles.

Information: 2. Student & Staff Recognitions

Mrs. Jennifer Bolin, Director of Human Resources, presented recipients with the Be Seen, Be Heard, Belong award. Mrs. Elissa Cox, Assistant Superintendent of Teaching & Learning, recognized several students in our district for their achievements. A full listing of all recognitions can be found in the agenda.

E. Reports

Information: 1. LMG Quarterly Building Program Update

Mr. Jim Britton, Leitner Management Group, presented the Board with a Quarterly Building Program Update.

F. Director of Human Resources - Mrs. Jennifer Bolin

Action: 1. Certified Recommendations

Motion to approve certified recommendations as presented.

Motion by Wade Anderson, second by Julie Shillinglaw.

Final Resolution: Motion approved

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

Action: 2. Certified Resignations

Motion to approve certified resignations as presented.

Motion by Wade Anderson, second by Thomas Wilkerson.

Final Resolution: Motion approved

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

Action: 3. Certified Recommendations (26-27 School Year)

Motion to approve certified recommendations as presented for the start of the 26-27 school year.

Motion by Wade Anderson, second by Thomas Wilkerson.

Final Resolution: Motion approved

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

G. Assistant Superintendent of Teaching & Learning - Mrs. Elissa Cox

Action: 1. YMS New Course Proposals

Motion for the implementation of new proposed courses at York Middle School for the 2026-2027 school year, as presented by the district administration.

Motion by Wade Anderson, second by Julie Shillinglaw.

Final Resolution: Motion approved

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

H. Assistant Superintendent for Finance & Operations - Mrs. Amy Hagner

Action: 1. Policy Update - 2nd Reading

Administration recommends approval for 2nd and final Reading of various B and G policies (listed in the agenda).

Motion by Wade Anderson, second by David McSwain.

Final Resolution: Motion approved

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

Action: 2. Policy Update - 1st Reading

Administration recommends approval for 1st Reading of Policy BD Organization of the Board.

Motion by Wade Anderson, second by Thomas Wilkerson.

Final Resolution: Motion approved

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

Information: 3. 2026-2027 Budget Timeline

Mrs. Hagner presented the Board with her suggested timeline for the 2026-2027 Budget.

I. District Superintendent - Dr. Heath Branham

Information: 1. Upcoming Dates

Superintendent Branham discussed with the Board upcoming important dates and events in our district.

Motion made at 7:11 PM to enter into Executive Session to continue earlier discussion on personnel, contractual and legal matters.

Motion by Wade Anderson, second by Beth Faulkner.

Final Resolution: Motion approved

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

Motion made at 8:19 PM to adjourn Executive Session and return to Open Session.

Motion by Wade Anderson, second by Julie Shillinglaw.

Final Resolution: Motion approved

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

J. Adjourn

Action: 1. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn for the evening.

Motion by Wade Anderson, second by Julie Shillinglaw.

Final Resolution: Motion approved

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

Adjourned at 8:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Beth Faulkner, Secretary
Brittany Johnson, Recorder