

**YALE PUBLIC SCHOOLS – BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
Yale Junior High Central Office Board Room
Thursday, June 11, 2026 – 7:00 PM**

MEETING MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Bullard called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Mr. Bullard appointed Dr. Abby Brancaccio as acting secretary for tonight's meeting.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/MOMENT OF SILENCE

President Bullard lead the Pledge of Allegiance which was followed by a moment of silence.

3. ROLL CALL

Members Present: Bullard, Butler, French, McClelland, Johnson, Brancaccio
Members Absent: Hurlburt
Also Present: Superintendent Kurt Sutton
Secretary to the Board Nancy Maplethorpe
Jim Brown, Tara Jordan, Dave Frederick and Coleeta Vesper

4. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Motion by Butler seconded by Johnson to adopt the agenda as amended.

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 Motion Carried

5. CORRESPONDENCE: NONE

6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

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

7. ATHLETIC REPORT – Given at the committee meeting on Tuesday.

8. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Sutton read/shared his report which contained the following:

- New handheld radios have been received for all of our schools and departments to use for the 2026-2207 school year.
- We are working through the Career Technical Education (CTE) grant that would allow us to bring some skilled trade programs here to our campus.
- We received confirmation that Michigan's Bureau of Fire Services has approved the project plans for Yale Elementary's office and the new GSRP building on 315 Park Avenue (formerly the Head Start Building).
- We had the preliminary visit from our auditors yesterday and they are scheduled to be in the district to complete the full audit the week of August 3, 2026.

9. **APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORTS**

A. Treasurer's Report and Monthly Bills in the amount of \$924,084.42.

Motion by French seconded by Butler to acknowledge receipt of the Treasurer's Report and approve monthly bills in the amount of \$924,084.42 as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

Bullard-Yes, Hurlburt- Abs., French- Yes, Butler- Yes, McClelland-Yes, Johnson- Yes, Brancaccio-Yes

Ayes: 6

Nays: 0

Absent: 1

Motion Carried

10. **APPROVAL OF PERSONNEL REPORT**

A. Instruction and Personnel

1. Hiring

1. Jared J. Gillman, Maintenance Level I

2. Nichole Bontomasi, Secondary Social Studies Teacher

3. Edward Rush, Bus Driver

2. Resignations, Retirements, Terminations

A. Jan Deslover, Yale Junior High Teacher

B. Kelly Hossack, Yale Elementary Teacher

C. Kaylee Long, Avoca Elementary Teacher

D. Terri Bahr, Avoca Elementary Paraprofessional

E. Cindy Monarch, Farrell Emmett Elementary Teacher

F. Brelee Anderson, Career Exposure & Competency Coach

3. Recommendations to the Substitute List

Motion by Butler seconded by Johnson to approve the Personnel Report as amended.

Roll Call Vote:

Bullard-Yes, Hurlburt- Abs., French- Yes, Butler- Yes, McClelland-Yes, Johnson- Yes, Brancaccio-Yes

Ayes: 6

Nays: 0

Absent: 1

Motion Carried

11. **OLD BUSINESS:** None

12. **NEW BUSINESS**

A. Approval of New Business

1. Final Budgets 2025-2026

Motion by French seconded by Butler to adopt the Final 2025-2026 General Fund, Food Service Fund, Latch Key Fund, Capital Projects Fund, and Special Revenue-Activity Fund Budget Amendments as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

Bullard-Yes, Hurlburt- Abs., French- Yes, Butler- Yes, McClelland-Yes, Johnson- Yes, Brancaccio-Yes

Ayes: 6

Nays: 0

Absent: 1

Motion Carried

2. Original Budget 2026-2027

Motion by French seconded by Butler to adopt the 2026-2027 General Fund, Food Service Fund, Latch Key Fund, Capital Projects and Special Revenue/Activities Fund Budgets as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

Bullard-Yes, Hurlburt- Abs., French- Yes, Butler- Yes, McClelland-Yes, Johnson- Yes, Brancaccio-Yes

Ayes: 6

Nays: 0

Absent: 1

Motion Carried

3. ACH Resolution
Motion by French seconded by Butler to approve the ACH participation resolution as presented.
Roll Call Vote:
Bullard-Yes, Hurlburt- Abs., French- Yes, Butler- Yes, McClelland-Yes, Johnson- Yes, Brancaccio-Yes
Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 Motion Carried
4. 2026-2027 MHSAA Resolution.
Motion by Brancaccio seconded by French to adopt the 2026-2027 Michigan High School Athletic Association Resolution as presented.
Roll Call Vote:
Bullard-Yes, Hurlburt- Abs., French- Yes, Butler- Yes, McClelland-Yes, Johnson- Yes, Brancaccio-Yes
Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 Motion Carried
5. Food Service Management Contract Renewal
Motion by Butler seconded by French to award the food service management contract renewal with Chartwells Food Service for the 2026-2027 school year as presented.
Roll Call Vote:
Bullard-Yes, Hurlburt- Abs., French- Yes, Butler- Yes, McClelland-Yes, Johnson- Yes, Brancaccio-Yes
Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 Motion Carried
6. Preliminary Qualification for November 2026 Bond
No Action Needed
7. 2026-2027 Proposed Board Meeting Dates - Tuesday, July 7, 2026 Organizational meeting at 6:30 PM followed by the Regular Board meeting at 7:00 PM
 - The Board will adopt their 2026-2027 meeting calendar at the July 7, 2026 Organizational meeting.

13. **COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS, ADMINISTRATION**

- Mr. Sutton thanked Beky Silkworth, Kathleen Hooper and Jill Harmer on their combined efforts in preparing the budget.
- The Board gave accolades to Athletic Director Chace Palmateer, coaches and athletes for their outstanding sports season.
- Mr. Sutton discussed pricing for new student desks,

14. **ADJOURNMENT BY CONSENSUS 7:17 PM.**

**Dr. Abby Brancaccio, Acting Secretary
Yale Board of Education**