

**Minutes of
Regular Meeting of Board of Trustees
York School District One
1475 East Liberty Street
York, South Carolina 29745
Tuesday, May 9, 2023**

In accordance with the South Carolina Code of Laws, 1976, Section 30-4-80 (d) as amended, *The Herald*, *Charlotte Observer*, *WRHI Radio*, and *Cable News Two* were properly notified of the date, place, and time of the meeting. The regularly scheduled meeting of the York School District One Board of Trustees was held on Tuesday, May 9, 2023, and began at 6:00 PM. The public was notified through the news media mentioned. An agenda for the meeting was posted on BoardDocs and the district's website.

Chair Childers called the meeting to order.

Executive Session (6:00 PM)

Motion: Betty F. Johnson made a motion to go into executive session to receive a certified personnel update and to discuss legal matters, the motion was seconded by Tracy Miskelly (6:00 PM). The motion passed by unanimous consent of the Board.

Motion: Tracy Miskelly made a motion to return to open session (6:15 PM). Beth Faulkner seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous consent of the Board.

Meeting Opening – General Session (6:30 PM)

Chair Childers called the public meeting to order and welcomed all those in attendance. It was noted that there was no one present from the media. Reverend Wanda Altman-Shirah, Trinity United Methodist Church, York, gave the invocation. Everyone stood for the Pledge of Allegiance to the USA flag, led by A'Jay Branham, a Floyd D. Johnson Technology Center student. Chair Childers noted that no one requested to speak during the public forum. A quorum was established with the following Board members present:

Scott Childers, Chair	Tracy Miskelly, Vice Chair	Beth R. Faulkner, Secretary
Wade Anderson	Betty F. Johnson	David McSwain
Christopher Revels		

Mrs. Kelly Coxe, District Superintendent

Action: Consent Agenda

Motion: Betty F. Johnson made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Christopher Revels seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous consent of the Board.

School Spotlight

Floyd D. Johnson Technology Center Director, Dr. Lee Green and Assistant Director, Mrs. Shannon Clinton shared information and a video highlighting ways FDJTC works to help students find their passions, purposes and paths.

Retirees

The following staff members were honored and presented with an acrylic plaque for their years of service with York School District One.

Name	Position	Years with YSD1
Bonita Berry	Business Education	15
Samuel Brown	Custodian	10
Barbara Brunson	4 th Grade	30
Susan Hill	Administrative Assistant to Human Resources	20
Josie Lowry	Instructional Assistant	23
Vicki McCurry	Payroll Specialist	42
Judith McNamara	Speech Language Pathologist	18
Beverly Meares	Principal	25
Faye Neil	Biology	20
Kathleen Norton	5 th Grade ELA	24
Tracy Rosemark	Social Studies	24
Cheryl Slaughter	Bus Driver	37
Phil Suggs	Choral Director	29
Michele Welton	Chorus	16
Elizabeth Whitesides	Instructional Assistant	19

Student Recognitions

Floyd D. Johnson Technology Center

Dr. Lee Green, Director

FFA Dairy Event

Mrs. Katherine W. Greenway, Agriculture Teacher and FFA Advisor

Mr. Josh Williams, Agriculture Teacher

The Board congratulated Caroline Adams for placing 1st in the State FFA Dairy Evaluation Career Development Event on March 24th. Caroline placed 1st out of 55 participants across the state.

York Intermediate School & Hickory Grove / Sharon Elementary

Mr. Keith McSwain, YIS Principal

Mrs. Rebecca Dover, HGSES Principal

SCBDA State Finals

Mrs. Laura Brooks, YCHS Band Director

Ms. Cassidy Reinhardt, Director of Cougarettes

The Board congratulate the 6th grade students, listed below, who attended the SCBDA State Finals, as part of the YCHS Cougarettes, and returned as State champions.

Cougarettes

- Crislynn Mason, HGSES
- Jazlyn Roof, YIS
- Zowii Grindstaff, YIS
- Hannah Johnson, YIS

Staff Recognitions

Jefferson Elementary School

Mrs. Mattie Hughes, Principal

Boy Scouts of America - Elbert K. Fretwell Outstanding Educator Award (York)

Mr. Taylor Thomas, Assistant Scout Executive

Ms. Amanda Heckert, Jefferson Elementary School, was applauded for being selected as the 2023 York School District winner for the Elbert K. Fretwell Outstanding Educator Award.

The [Elbert K. Fretwell Outstanding Educator Award](#) was introduced by the BSA in 2016 to recognize the valuable contributions the educator community makes in the lives of young people. Teachers, coaches, administrators, custodians, cafeteria workers, and many others can have a profound impact on preparing youth to become better citizens and leaders. These educators understand that ‘Scouting’ values can also make excellent ‘teaching’ values.

York Middle School

York Comprehensive High School

Mrs. Cassidy Valerino, YMS Principal

Dr. John Tharp, YCHS Principal

SCBDA Outstanding Performance Award

- ❖ Laura Brooks, YCHS Band Director
- ❖ Douglas Brooks, YCHS Band Director
- ❖ Dylan Sims, YMS Band Director
- ❖ Madeline Bailes, YIS Band Director

York Middle School and York Comprehensive High School Band Programs were applauded for earning the Outstanding Performance Award for the 2022-2023 school year. The OPA is the most prestigious award that SCBDA gives each year to South Carolina band programs.

District Office

Mrs. Kelly Coxe, District Superintendent

SCASA District Level Administrator of the Year

The Board recognized Mrs. Amy Hagner for receiving the SCASA District Level Administrator of the Year award. Mrs. Hagner is a true IMPACT PLAYER in York School District One. As Assistant Superintendent for Finance & Operations, Mrs. Amy Hagner is well-known for her fiscally conservative approach to finance. She is always positive, encouraging, and the first to volunteer when there is an opportunity to give back to the community. As Superintendent, I am fortunate to have her as CFO; I can always count on her to provide honest, reflective, and creative budget recommendations to ensure our students benefit from the quality and often cutting-edge academic and social learning experiences the community is accustomed to. Currently, Mrs. Hagner is working tirelessly to ensure that we, as a District, are prepared to receive and educate new students that are anticipated to enroll within our district due to a sharp increase in the number of residential developments within our attendance zone.

York Rotary Beach Bash Proceeds

On April 29, the York Rotary Club hosted its Beach Bash fundraiser at the Garden Café. With the support of generous local sponsors and nearly 300 in attendance, the event raised over \$16,000 in proceeds with York School District One as the designated recipient. These funds will support early childhood literacy programming and preparing 4K students to enter Kindergarten ready to learn.

The following Rotarians were on hand for the recognition: Ryan Blancke; Shannon Clinton; Kelly Coxe; Latoya Dixon and Amy Hagner.

Reports

▪ **2023 Summer School Overview**

Ms. April Aulmer, Director of Elementary & Gifted Programs, provided an update on the various opportunities for students during the summer of 2023.

▪ **Student-Centered Learning Update**

The Instruction Department provided the Board with an update on Student-Centered Learning in the district.

Coordinator of Special Projects **Mrs. Lisa Spangler**

Action: York School District Social Media Litigation

Motion: Wade Anderson made a motion that the Board of Trustees become a plaintiff in the litigation against Mete, ByteDance, Snap, and Google. Betty F. Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous consent of the Board.

Assistant Superintendent for Finance & Operations **Mrs. Amy Hagner**

Action: Policy GBEA “Employee Ethics / Conflict of Interest” 2nd Reading

Motion: Betty F. Johnson made a motion to approve Policy GBEA “Employee Ethics / Conflict of Interest” for 2nd reading, as presented by the district administration. Tracy Miskelly seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous consent of the Board.

▪ **2023-2024 Budget**

Mrs. Hagner provided the Board with a brief overview of the 2023-2024 Budget before requesting approval for 1st reading.

Action: 2023-2024 Budget 1st Reading

Motion: Wade Anderson made a motion to approve the 2023-2024 Budget for 1st reading, as presented by the district administration. Tracy Miskelly seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous consent of the Board.

Assistant Superintendent for Academic Innovation and Professional Learning **Dr. Latoya Dixon**

Action: Certified Resignations

Motion: Tracy Miskelly made a motion to accept the certified resignations as presented by the district administration. Wade Anderson seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous consent of the Board.

Action: Certified Retirements

Motion: Christopher Revels made a motion to approve the end of year certified retirements as presented by the district administration (with congratulations). Betty F. Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous consent of the Board.

Action: Certified Recommendations 2023-2024

Motion: Tracy Miskelly made a motion to approve the certified recommendations for the 2023-2024 school year as presented by the district administration. Christopher Revels seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous consent of the Board.

Action: Certified Returning Retirees 2023-2024

Motion: Betty F. Johnson made a motion to approve the certified returning retiree recommendations for the 2023-2024 school year, as presented by the district administration. Wade Anderson seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous consent of the Board.

Superintendent **Mrs. Kelly Coxe**

- **York 1 Risk Assessment**

Mrs. Coxe shared that the South Carolina Department of Education assigns financial risk factors to all school districts. The overall risk score is based on financial and programmatic performance as demonstrated on 10 criteria. Overall risk scores of less than 18 indicate low risk; risk scores between 19 & 28 indicate medium risk; and risk scores of 29 or higher indicate high risk. YSD1 has an overall score of "9" which is the best score you can receive.

Action: Administrative Resignation

Motion: Christopher Revels made a motion to accept the administrative resignation as presented. Betty F. Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous consent of the Board.

Action: Administrative Recommendations

Motion: Tracy Miskelly made a motion to approve the administrative recommendations for the 2023-2024 school year as presented. Wade Anderson seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous consent of the Board.

Action: **May 2023 Work Session – Date Change**

Motion: Betty F. Johnson made a motion to move the May Work Session / Called Meeting from May 23, 2023 to May 30, 2023 as requested. Tracy Miskelly seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous consent of the Board.

Mrs. Coxe noted that the Awards Banquet for Mrs. Hagner's SCASA District Administrator of the Year is Tuesday, May 23rd.

▪ *Upcoming Dates*

Mrs. Coxe highlighted some of the upcoming dates listed below.

- May 9, 2023 @ 5:30 pm – Retiree Reception, YSD1 District Office
- May 9, 2023 @ 6:00 pm - Executive Session, YSD1 District Office
- May 9, 2023 @ 6:30 pm - Regularly Scheduled Meeting, YSD1 District Office
- May 11, 2023 @ 6:30 pm- YCHS Chorus Concert, YCHS Auditorium
- May 12, 2023 @ 6:30 pm- YCHS Chorus Concert, YCHS Auditorium
- May 16, 2023 @ 6:30 pm – YCHS Awards Ceremony, YCHS Auditorium
- May 18, 2023 @ 6:30 pm – Band Revue, YCHS Auditorium
- May 21, 2023 @ 6:00 pm – Baccalaureate, YCHS Auditorium
- ~~May 23, 2023 @ 6:00 pm – Board Work Session / Called Meeting, YSD1 District Office~~
- May 23, 2023 @ 6:30 pm – Band Awards Night, YCHS Auditorium
- May 29, 2023 – Memorial Day Holiday (Offices & Schools Closed)
- May 30, 2023 @ 6:00 pm - Board Work Session / Called Meeting, YSD1 District
- May 31, 2023 – ½ day for students
- June 1, 2023 – ½ day for students
- June 2, 2023 @ 10:00 am - YCHS Graduation, Winthrop Coliseum
- June 8, 2023 @ 7:00 pm - Tri-County Adult Graduation, Blue Eagle Auditorium (420 Knox Street, Clover)

Chair Childers noted that there was no need for an additional executive session.

Adjourn

Motion: Betty F. Johnson made a motion to adjourn for the evening seconded by Wade Anderson (8:11 pm). The motion passed by unanimous consent of the Board.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Beth R. Faulkner, Secretary

Renee Webb, Recorder